

TENNEY-LAPHAM NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

NEWSLETTER

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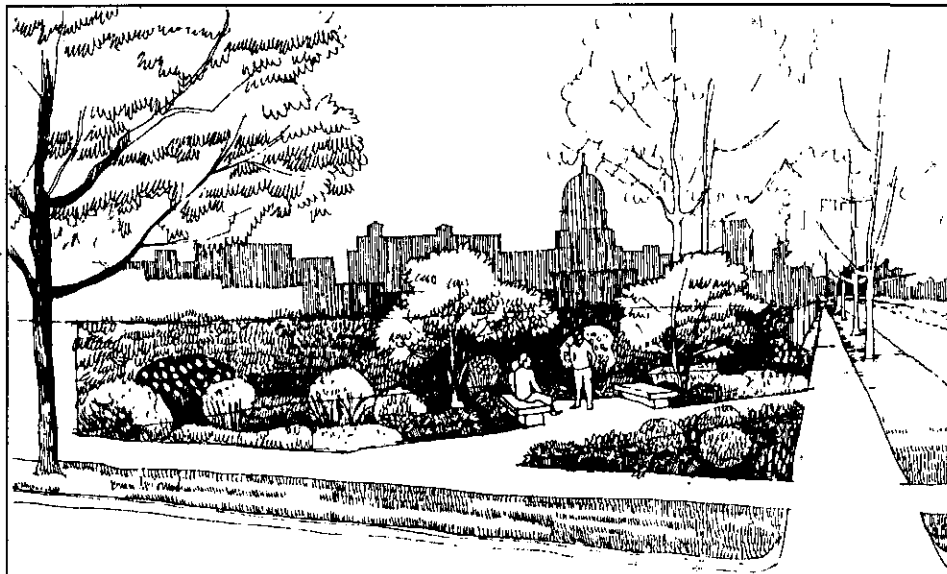
NEW GARDEN PLANNED FOR REYNOLDS PARK

The Reynolds Park Flower Garden will be blooming shortly in the neighborhood. In January a group of Tenney-Lapham residents submitted a proposal to the City Parks Department for a perennial garden at the corner of East Dayton and Paterson Streets, i.e., the northeast section of Reynolds Park. In late February we received word our proposal was accepted.

Tenney-Lapham's new moniker should be "The Garden Neighborhood." Within the last four years, the annual garden

tour, the Butterfly Garden in Tenney Park, the Welcome Garden at the corner of Johnson and Gorham Streets, and now the Reynolds Park Flower Garden have been inaugurated.

The Reynolds Park Flower Garden will be planted and maintained by neighborhood volunteers. Over 250 perennials of 25 different varieties will be represented. Included will be yarrow, Japanese anemone, aster, coreopsis, pinks, bleeding heart, white and red gas plants,
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VOTE TUESDAY APRIL 2

When: 7:00 am-8:00 pm
Where: Ward 26 (TLNA area east of Paterson): **Lapham School**, 1045 E. Dayton St.;
Ward 27 (TLNA area west of Paterson): **Salvation Army**, 630 E. Washington Ave.
Register at polling place!

PANCAKES & PICNICS

TLNA will hold its annual Pancake Supper on Thurs., April 18, 6 p.m., at Christ Presbyterian Church, 944 E. Gorham. Come and enjoy all the pancakes, sausage, apple-sauce, and beverages you can eat. Adults \$2.50, children \$1.

Mark your calendars now for the TLNA Picnic in the Park on Sat., July 13, 1-8pm. Performing artists who are interested in entertaining their neighbors (for free) should call Jeannette Deloya at 255-5409 to sign up.

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ELECTED GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES

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The Newsletter of the Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood Association is published quarterly and distributed without charge to all households in the Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood (delineated by Lake Mendota, North Livingston Street, East Washington Avenue, and the Yahara River). Requests for information regarding submissions and advertising may be directed to the Editor, TLNA, P.O. Box 703, Madison, WI 53701.

ELECTION

The April 2 election is almost upon us. In order to help us all inform ourselves about the candidates, TLNA addressed the following questions by mail to all candidates on the ballot. Their responses are printed below (labeled by question number).

Offices up for election in our district include: Mayor, Alder (Common Council representative), and two seats on the Madison School Board.

Also presented here is information provided by proponents and opponents of the ambulance fee referendum to be included on this ballot.

(1) What previous experience of yours has prepared you for conducting the work of this office?

(2) What are the three current issues which you consider most important for the City of Madison (or, for School Board candidates, the Madison Metropolitan School District)?

(3) Alder candidates only: What are the three current issues which you consider most important for the Second District?

(4) Incumbents: Describe two accomplishments you are most proud of during your work to-date in this office. OR


Challengers: Describe how you have handled two issues differently from the incumbent?

ALDER--DISTRICT 2--COMMON COUNCIL

MARY RICHARDSON


(1) *Relevant Experience:* I was employed by the City of Madison from 1976 through 1990 and am familiar with City agencies, their functions, and the Capital and Operating budget processes. I spent 2 1/2 years in the Mayor's Office under the Sensenbrenner and Soglin administrations, and am skilled at handling constituent requests for assistance and information, knowledgeable about City programs and have a firm commitment to providing information, on a regular basis, to all citizens of the 2nd District. I have a reputation for creative thinking and "getting things done." I believe a Common Council representative can and should maintain a policy of regularly seeking out opinions on matters directly impacting their constituents at the district and citywide level.

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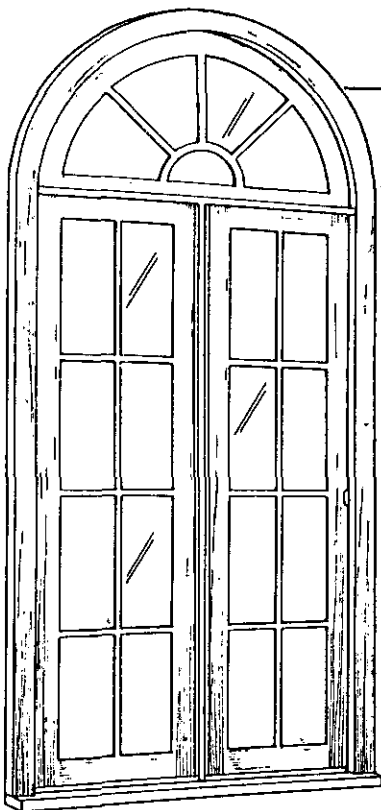
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(2) *City Issues:* a) Controlled growth on the periphery with a major focus on "infilling" areas within the City which are already served by City services. b) Resolution of the Bus Hub issue. Due to lack of appropriate public input when it would have made a difference, finally, the people who will be expected to help pay for and live with bus hubs are being asked for their opinions. c) Placing the focus back on neighborhood pools instead of the major complex proposed at Olin-Turville. The size and siting are both inappropriate for the needs expressed by the citizens of Madison.

(3) *2nd District Issues:* a) Isthmus traffic redirection—but not at the expense of neighborhoods


already overloaded with traffic. b) Reopening Sherman School: This will have an impact on the quality of education for those children in the 2nd remaining at Marquette Middle School and those who will use Sherman. I plan to take an active role. c) Making the position of Common Council member more representative of the entire 2nd District, more responsive and more proactive instead of reactive.

(4) *Different Handling of Past Issues:* a) I would have availed myself of all the opportunities for public education regarding the ambulance fee for citizens of the District when they were offered by the City. b) Would have approached neighborhood concerns with regard to project sitings and integrations as an "advocate" for their needs and a resource for information (The Reservoir, The Avenue, Adult Living Project, ARC House).



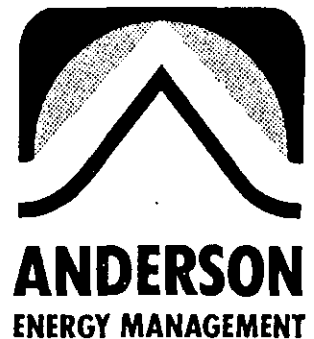
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EDUCATION

LAPHAM CELEBRATES 50TH ANNIVERSARY

On Sunday, April 28, 1991, Lapham Elementary School will be marking a milestone in its history: we will be celebrating our 50th anniversary. Lapham was built in 1939 and opened officially the 1940-41 school year. Our school has many interesting and little known facts connected with its history. Plans are underway to make this a community celebration as well as a school effort. The kickoff of our celebration will be an "Open House" and reception at our school on April 28, 3-5 p.m. We hope as many students, parents, staff, and others who have a past or future connection with Lapham will be able to join us.

There will be displays of historical informa-

tion about Lapham, including photographs, videos, newspaper clippings, class pictures, academic memorabilia, and many miscellaneous items. A short program including the Mayor, County Executive, and Supt. Travis will begin at 3 p.m. and will be followed by refreshments in the gym. Please consider bringing along a neighbor or friend to help us celebrate this special event. This will be a great opportunity to get together as a community and also find out about our school's history. For more information, contact Richard Linster at 251-1937.

Nan Brien

SCHOOL BOARD, Seat #1

NAN BRIEN CARES ABOUT OUR CHILDREN

- * included needed science equipment in 1991 borrowing package
- * maintained emphasis upon consistent programs for at risk students & new programs for gifted students
- * proposed community-wide planning effort, Task Force for Public Education - Year 2000
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ALDER--DISTRICT 2--COMMON COUNCIL

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DAVID WALLNER

(1) *Relevant Experience:* I have represented the 2nd District for 6 years on the City Council. I am currently chairing the city's Transportation Commission, and I serve on the Plan Commission, the Physical Disabilities Commission, and the Pedestrian/Bicycle Committee. I have been a strong advocate for the district, while working for improved mass transit, rational land use planning, better parks and environmental protection, and providing affordable housing for all Madison residents.

I have been a community activist and neighborhood advocate for 17 years in this city. I have worked as a leader of three neighborhood associations, including Tenney-Lapham, prior to joining the Council in 1985.

(2) *City issues:* a) Reasonable land use planning to prevent urban sprawl, while working to provide new parks and greenspace for future generations. We must also do a better job of working with the county and other municipalities on land use planning. b) Providing affordable housing for those most in need, especially for the homeless, our seniors, single parent families and for

individuals with special needs. c) Revitalizing the downtown, while encouraging in-fill housing and building code enforcement to attract new families back to our older neighborhoods.

(3) *2nd District Issues:* a) Park and Lake Use Improvements: We need to upgrade park plans for Tenney, James Madison and Demetral, with a special emphasis on providing recreational facilities for children and families. We must also work harder to improve the quality of our precious lake system. b) Housing: We must keep up our current housing stock through effective building code enforcement; create affordable in-fill housing; and continue our efforts to attract new families into the district. c) Isthmus Traffic: We must move ahead with the Isthmus traffic re-direction plan; promote better mass transit and bikeways as an alternative to the single-occupant automobile clogging Isthmus streets; and push harder for traffic speeding enforcement.

(4) *Past Accomplishments in this Office:* As alderman for the past six years, I am proud of the work I've done that has led to the creation of 150 units of affordable housing. New families, seniors, people with physical disabilities, students and young professionals now have a better place to live.

Secondly, I've worked long hours with neighborhood residents and city staff to provide new park facilities, trees and garden spaces within the district. And we now have four new playgrounds for the district's children.



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ASSEMBLY REPORT

CLARENBACH INTRODUCES WISCONSIN UNIVERSAL HEALTH PLAN

Health care reform is destined to become the premier public policy issue of the 1990s. The public deserves and is demanding no less: health care is a right, and ought not be based on one's ability to pay.

My bill, the Wisconsin Universal Health Plan, signals a significant grassroots commitment to health care reform in Wisconsin. This proposal was formulated with the help of the Coalition for Wisconsin Health, a statewide network of over 60 groups: churches, senior citizen organizations, labor unions and health care professionals.

There is hardly anything more important to most people in Wisconsin than health care. They are demanding universal access, cost contain-

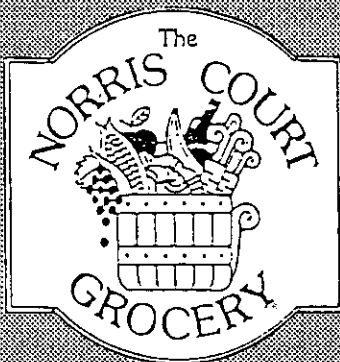
ment, comprehensive benefits and high quality.

Health care costs are out of control, and the number of uninsured and underinsured are growing at an alarming rate. Thirty-seven million Americans have no medical insurance at all—another 50 million have inadequate insurance. And, for those who have health insurance coverage, at work or individually underwritten, the rates are skyrocketing.

The Wisconsin Universal Health Plan proposes to take the entire health care system out of the private market and place it under the control of a 21-member governing board representing consumers.

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cannot afford private insurance and whose employers do not provide coverage—and it will ease the burden on industry and private businesses now faced with staggering costs that make employee plans nearly prohibitive.

Some facts about the Wisconsin Universal Health Plan:

—All private and public money spent on health care will be put into a pool to cover medical costs of every state resident.

—Hospitals and physicians—health care providers—will remain private.

—Regional boards will be created to monitor health care needs in different areas of the state.

—These regional boards will determine needs for new buildings and capital expenditures.

—The state board will negotiate hospital budgets for operating expenses and establish rates for physicians.

How will the Wisconsin Universal Health Plan be financed? Today it is estimated that health care for state residents costs over \$10 billion. No additional costs are expected to be incurred by the Wisconsin Universal Health Plan. Government funds now being spent for health care, including Medicare, Medicaid, and other medical assistance, will be pooled into a Health Trust Fund to partially cover the costs.

This proposal involves complex changes in governmental and private structures for health care financing. However, these changes are imperative if we are to prevent the collapse of our present system and the needless death and disability of those who lack affordable quality care.

Every citizen of our nation, regardless of income, should be guaranteed access to health care. My proposal insures that Wisconsin will take the lead in reaching this nationwide goal.

Rep. David Clarenbach

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DAVID WALLNER

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AAPF by Wallner for City Council, Paul Fieber, Treasurer

ELECTION

IN SUPPORT OF THE AMBULANCE FEE REFERENDUM

"The City of Madison shall provide residents with emergency ambulance services at no charge for using those services." This will be the wording of the ambulance fee referendum which will appear on the April 2 City Elections ballot. The City of Madison Coalition Against the Ambulance Fee urges Madison voters to vote YES on this referendum, and eliminate the \$200 ambulance fee.

The Coalition Against the Ambulance Fee, which includes over 20 community organizations such as Dane County SOS Senior Council, South Central Federation of Labor, and the Center for Public Representation urges a YES vote for several reasons:

- Emergency ambulance service is a vital and basic service which should be provided by the City like police and fire protection. The ambulance fee represents double taxation.

- A City of Madison survey shows 26% of residents are reluctant to call an ambulance, and 17% would refuse to ride to the hospital in an ambulance because of the fee. This poses a threat to public safety.

- Insurance coverage of the ambulance fee is not guaranteed and forces premiums up.

The City of Madison's inadequate efforts to educate the

community about this emergency service policy seriously threatens public safety. This policy most adversely affects seniors, and low-income residents who believe that they may have to pay the \$200 fee. Madison voters should seize the opportunity to shape public policy in their own best interest and reject the \$200 ambulance fee with a YES vote in the April 2 election.

*The Coalition Against
the Ambulance Fee*



WHY WE SUPPORT THE AMBULANCE FEE

The City's ambulance service is a highly skilled medical service, not just a quick trip to the hospital. **THAT'S WHY MEDICAL INSURANCE PAYS THE FEE, AND MOST MADISON RESIDENTS (88%) HAVE HEALTH INSURANCE.**

People who do not have health insurance pay nothing or very little toward the fee. The City has a generous waiver policy for low and moderate income people. For example, **A SINGLE PERSON EARNING \$14,000 OR LESS PAYS NOTHING;** persons earning \$16,000 pay just \$40. A family earning less than \$30,000 pays nothing.

Opponents claim that, because of the fee, people are not calling for an ambulance in an

emergency, or they MIGHT not call. Alarmist rumors and anecdotes are not supported by the evidence. In fact, ambulance calls have increased 24% since 1989.

The ambulance fee generates one million dollars in revenue for our city each year. **MOST OF THIS COMES FROM INSURANCE COMPANIES, NOT FROM INDIVIDUALS.** Why hand a million dollars back to insurance companies, leaving taxpayers to foot the bill?

One million dollars is worth a lot in city services. It means four years of children's programs at the Public Library or four years of elderly activities at the Senior Center. It means two years of daycare assistance for low income families or half the annual City funding for social services. It means 26 workers who sweep streets, collect garbage, and maintain parks. If the ambulance fee were abolished, the city would be forced either to raise taxes or reduce services.

Most other cities in Dane County, the state of Wisconsin, and the nation charge a fee for emergency ambulance service.

The ambulance fee is fair and sensible. It is covered by medical insurance. It is not causing health risks or financial burdens, and it brings needed revenue to our city. We urge you to **VOTE NO** on the ambulance referendum.

*Mayor Paul Soglin and
Council Pres: Wayne Bigelow*

COMMUNITY NEWS

THE GREENING OF THE ISTHMUS: COMPOST BINS & TREE SEEDLINGS

Richard Freihoefer, a Tenney-Lapham resident and VISTA volunteer, is coordinating a new program to make inexpensive compost bins and tree seedlings available to Isthmus area residents.

Compost is known to gardeners as "brown gold" for the many benefits it delivers. These benefits include: reduced city

collection costs, less traffic and noise from garbage trucks, an environmentally sound way of disposing of kitchen and yard wastes, a great source of nature's own fertile potting soil, and a wonderful way of introducing ourselves and our children to many ecological systems.

What can you put in your compost pile? Any organic matter from leaves to grass to kitchen scraps to garden refuse may be added. Since the city of Madison no longer accepts yard

waste in its regular weekly garbage collections, a compost pile would be an ideal solution to this problem.

Four-foot galvanized steel wire compost bins will be sold for \$6.50 per bin. The price includes delivery (by bicycle, of course) and installation if desired.

A variety of tree seedlings is being offered at \$2 per tree. They will be potted in bags and range anywhere from 6 to 20 inches in height. Canada hemlock, white pine, white cedar, paper birch, white spruce, Colorado blue spruce, arbor vitae, and larch will be available.

The City restricts the kinds of trees you may put between the sidewalk and curb, but many of these trees would be ideal for your back yard. With all of the talk of worldwide deforestation, planting trees in one's back yard gives a wonderful psychic boost.

Freihoefer was formerly in charge of the Recycling Project for Commonwealth. After the City instituted its own recycling program, Richard segued into the composting and tree project. Richard has a degree in forestry and can answer your questions about which tree would grow best in your conditions (sun/shade, dry/wet site, etc.).

Call Richard at the Eco-Hotline, 256-3527, between 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. to order your compost bin or trees, volunteer to help, or ask questions. *Bob Shaw*

MEMBERSHIP

JOIN TLNA!

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As of March 2, 115 members have joined or rejoined the TLNA, paying \$408 in dues. This spring the bulk of the membership will be renewed, so please expect a visit from a representative of the Membership Committee. It is hoped that starting this summer we can begin a system of block captains in the area to greater enhance and strengthen the Association and Neighborhood. Please consider becoming involved.

Richard Linster

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While news from the Persian Gulf has dominated the airwaves and news pages for the past two months, life goes on in Madison, Wis. And as usual, there's plenty happening to keep your City Council rep. on his toes.

Should the city forge ahead with building a swimming pool at Olin Park? How's the new recycling program doing? What will we do about the Frank Lloyd Wright convention center? How will the city, the county and surrounding towns resolve the important land use and greenspace issues as we march toward the 21st century? Being your alderman may be time-consuming, hectic, and a bit frustrating at times . . . but it's never a dull job. Here are a few other things on the front burner as we await the first tulips and robins of spring.

FREE FARE ZONE: The downtown's new Free Fare Zone for Metro riders was unveiled recently. As chair of the Transportation Commission, I had a direct hand in shaping the new

system, so let me know how it's working.

In a nutshell, riders will be able to board and ride for free from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday through Saturday, within the zone. New logos have been placed at Free Fare Zone stops, and brochures explaining the zone are available on the buses. As long as riders play the game fairly and avoid the temptation of trying to get a ride for free across town, the new zone should be cheaper than the former State St. Shuttle. And it could be a real bonus for downtown shoppers, workers, students and visitors. Give it a try, and take a trip in the Free Fare Zone. Then consider becoming a regular Metro rider.

BUS TRANSFER CENTER UPDATE: The mayor and the city council are about to appoint a citizen committee to study where to locate an eastside bus hub. The committee will meet for several months to iron out the details of siting this controversial but important future facility. Stay tuned for further details. *(cont. on next pg.)*



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PARKS PROGRESS: It's already time to contact me and the TLNA about your requests and concerns for 1992 parks projects. I'll be sending a letter to the Parks Commission in support of the TLNA and Old Market Place suggestions. I'll also be submitting two of my own ideas: the first, to put in new landscaping along the Yahara River between Sherman and E. Johnson; and secondly, to upgrade the children's playground at Reynolds Field.

This summer we'll be getting more playground equipment at Tenney Park (near the beach and on the island), a major resurfacing of the tennis courts, new landscaping and trees along Sherman Ave. on the beach side, and a new fence for Reynolds Field. It should be a good summer for important

parks projects throughout the 2nd District.

NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING DISTRICTS: The Council has approved setting up a central neighborhoods planning committee made up of citizens and alders. This will be the first of three such committees throughout the city. The committee will study an array of issues including housing, traffic, open space and parks needs, etc., and will then report back to the mayor and the city council later this summer. If you're interested in serving on this committee, give me a call at 256-2958.

GOT AN ITCH TO GET INVOLVED? After the April 2 elections, many city committees will have new openings. If you're interested in serving on one of the many city committees and commissions, give me a call or send me a letter explaining your interests and qualifications. For example, there are currently two open slots on the

Transportation Commission and the Plan Commission, two of the most important city commissions.

NEW GUIDES AND BROCHURES: Three new publications are now available to the public. The first is a wonderful guide to the city's neighborhood associations; the second is a new brochure on safe alternatives to lawn pesticides; and the third is a guide to help citizens weave their way through the city's zoning and planning regulations and committees. Give me a call if you're interested in receiving any of these publications.

Ald. David Wallner



NESCOA PLANS 1991 SALE

The Near East Side Coalition of Older Adults, Inc. will be sponsoring its Seventh Annual Fund-raising Garage Sale this year. This is the major fund-raising event for the organization, and they are now beginning to accept donated items for the sale. Volunteers are also available to pick up your donations.

The Coalition has a warehouse in the community to store goods for the 1991 sale. Items especially appreciated: furniture, sofas, chairs, end tables, collectibles, dishes, silverware, bookstands, books, children's clothing, tools, records, radios and TVs in working order, and household items. To request or arrange pickup, please call the Coalition Office at 244-5353.



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SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION

(Note: Numbers refer to questions on page 3)

SCHOOL BOARD--SEAT 1

NAN BRIEN

(1) *Relevant Experience:* Commitment to public education and experience as a mother of three children are my best qualifications. I have been a member of the Board of Education for the past six years and have served as Board President for the past two years. Prior to this time, I worked for a number of years as a parent volunteer at Frank Allis Elementary and Sennett Middle Schools. Currently, I direct the development (UW) of a computer-based information and support system for students in academic crisis and coordi-

nate projects which are building risk assessments for substance abuse, HIV infection, and sexual assault.

(2) *School District Issues:* The greatest challenges for the Board are: a) maintain public support in light of rising costs, b) initiate a task force to determine the vision for the MMSD-Year 2000, c) coordinate at-risk programs so they cover a student for the full span of his/her education, and put an effective TAG program in place. The first item is essential to maintain the fine educational program that is in place for all students; we will maintain support with responsible budgets and by involving the public in determining the vision for Madison schools. To that end, the District will begin an extensive planning effort with the

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WHY WE NEED A CHANGE ON THE COUNCIL

How many projects have gone forward without attention to community needs and input?

** Reservoir Project * Group Homes * Lapham School **

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community this spring. Your vision must become the reality for our students. A final report on at-risk programs and a TAG proposal will be submitted this spring.

(4) *Past Accomplishments in this Office:* I initiated the study which resulted in enactment of an Anti-Harassment Policy for the Madison Metropolitan School District. This policy ensures a safe and congenial environment for all staff and students and includes remedies if the policy is violated. Secondly, I have initiated consistent discussions with Dane County legislators to ensure state funding and favorable education legislation for the school district. Similar discussions are occurring with city and county officials to coordinate delivery of services and secure attachment of school property to the district when it is annexed to the city.

SCHOOL BOARD--SEAT 2

MARY KAY BAUM

(1) *Relevant Experience:* I have six years of experience on the Madison Metropolitan School Board, working toward cost-effective, quality education for all students. I have also served on the Dane County Board of Supervisors for two terms of office. In both those elective offices I have faced and voted on difficult public policy issues. The voter can now look back and see my judgement calls on a wide variety of issues. Also my door-to-door work and constituent contact in running for these offices and for the office of Mayor in 1987 have given me so much feedback from the residents and voters of the District.

I have 17 years of experience as a manager in the public sector. I am a lawyer by training, having graduated from the UW Law School in 1974.

I am a 22-year resident of Madison. I have 2 children. Dawn is a 9th grader at East High School. I also have a 2-year-old son, so I care what the future of our schools will be.

(2) *School District Issues:* The most significant issue for our District is how to provide the best instruction for each individual student at a time when enrollments are increasing and the average citizen is overtaxed by the property tax. Basic education for literacy, critical thinking skills, and responsible citizenship are my main emphasis. But basic education is like a river. The tributaries that flow into it—TAG, 4 year old for those needing a head start, work-learning program to prevent dropouts—all these are necessary for some students to provide basic education.

(4) *Past Accomplishments in this Office:* The accomplishment I am most proud of is the restoration of neighborhood schools when enrollments warranted it. Other districts are building whole new schools. I led in the reopening of Hawthorne, Lapham grades K-2, and Sherman Middle School. I am known for my efforts to provide neighborhood based schools whenever possible.



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PARKS & GARDENS

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globe thistle, cushion spurge, cranesbill, sneezeweed, daylily, coral bells, hibiscus, gay-feather, sunray flower, sweet william, balloon-flower, and peony. There will also be shrub roses, eastern redbud trees, and five types of vines. The flowers were chosen by Tenney-Lapham gardeners to provide bloom from spring through fall.

The Parks Department is replacing the fence at Reynolds Park this year and will modify the new fence to permit the garden to be on the outside, thus allowing easier access for the public. The garden has a triangular design with a brick path through it and space for two benches. The entire garden will encompass 450 square feet, 350 square feet of flowers and 100 square feet of brick pathway.

The flowers will be supplied by the Margaret Pohle Trust Fund. Miss Pohle, who was a graduate of the University of Wisconsin - Madison, left money in her estate for flowers to be planted in Madison's parks. A fund raising drive is in process to raise \$400-\$500 for the brick path, benches, and stone edging. Alan Crossley, the Parks Chair for the Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood Association, has agreed to head the fund-raising drive. Contributions are tax deductible and can be sent to: Tenney-Lapham Corporation,

P.O. Box 1105, Madison, WI 53701.

We wish to thank the following neighbors for their contributions so far: Alan Crossley for his advice and for heading the fund-raising drive; Brian McCormick for his drawing; Bob Shaw for his work in submitting the proposal; Larry Savides, Ruth Cadoret, and Richard Freihoefer for their advice and help; and, most importantly, Dee Rennick for agreeing to spearhead the garden project.

And now for the most important part—YOU! One of the prime goals of the project is to let people who might not have a chance to garden get their hands dirty. If you have never planted anything in your life and can't identify a rose from a dandelion, welcome aboard. We will have experienced gardeners teach you. And, of course, we welcome those of you with more experience.

We are planning several weekend work days in April and May to remove the existing sod, lay the bricks, and plant the flowers (oh that it would be so simple!). After that we are looking for volunteers to do weekly or biweekly watering and weeding stints. If you would like to volunteer or have any questions about this exciting project, call Dee at 251-0805. May you always have timely rains!

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- assisting fellow gardeners with information, materials, labor and advice (wanted or not)
- encouraging nonmembers and new gardeners with information, materials, labor and cheerful words, regardless of our opinions on the aesthetic merit of their endeavors (once their garden is established, it is fair to harass them)
- helping the Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood Association establish and maintain the neighborhood "Welcome Garden"
- advising the City on their plantings, existing and proposed, and weeding City property as the occasion demands
- visiting garden centers and gardens, attending gardening lectures and parties, and generally indulging in as much garden behavior as possible.

Our most important function as a club is communication. Phone trees, newsletters or other means of communication are vital to spreading the word about plants available for exchange, garden center visits, City plans, weeding parties, etc. The following are our formal rules.

Our membership: self-identified.

Individual Member duties: whatever each of us thinks would fulfill the above commitments.

Our dues: nonexistent. However, we may raise money for special projects, events, a newsletter or other garden stuff.

Our officer: a president. The president's duty is to act as a clearinghouse for comments and requests between members and the Neighborhood Association or City.

President's term: until he/she tires of being president. The new president is appointed by the old. Our first president is Dan Sage. The presidency reverts to Dan Sage whenever no-one wants to play.

Honorary Titles: we can give ourselves and each other any titles or nicknames we please.

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ELECTION

(NOTE: Numbers refer to questions on page 3.)

MAYOR--CITY OF MADISON

RICK BOGOVICH

(1) *Relevant Experience:* I have been a legislative aide for three years, and many of the issues I've worked on overlap with city government. My experience with state government would be an asset when seeking additional state funding for Madison.

I am familiar with many local issues as a result of my service on the Board of Directors of Community Shares of Wisconsin, a Madison-based umbrella organization consisting of 30 nonprofit groups. I serve as Secretary, and represent Wisconsin's Environmental Decade Institute.

(2) *City Issues:* Throughout the campaign I've identified the following issues as my top priorities if elected: a) Homelessness—the number of homeless families has risen 50% in recent years. b) Violent crime—the first half of 1990 saw a 42% increase in violent crime in Madison compared to the first half of 1989. Recently there have been numerous strong-arm robberies and women attacked in downtown parking garages. c) Racism, anti-Semitism, and gay bashing—these types of prejudice have only become evident in Madison in recent years. Instances of the latter two occurred as recently as the last weekend in February.

To some extent, these problems—particularly the first two—are manifestations of a stagnating local economy. While unemployment is relatively low, Madison does suffer from underemployment (when people can't find work in their field or a job that pays a good wage).

(4) *Different Handling of Past Issues:* One issue I would have handled differently is citizen participation in local government. Mr. Soglin claims he has increased citizen involvement, but this certainly isn't true when it comes to involving neigh-

borhood associations. The people most affected by decisions on where to locate bus hubs or a city pool were not adequately consulted in the early planning stages, which put them in the position of appearing obstructionistic and uncooperative. Conversely, when the Old Marketplace Neighborhood Association worked to put a sculpture in James Madison Park, the city relocated it. As
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Mayor, I would involve neighborhood associations at the earliest stage of any planning process, and I would respect and assist any projects initiated by those groups.

Another issue I would have handled differently is annexation of the Town of Madison. After Town voters rejected annexation, I would not have demonstrated hostility to the Town, as Mr. Soglin did (which the State Journal criticized). The Town will be even less likely to approve annexation in the future, but I am confident I can reestablish good relations with Town officials.

PAUL SOGLIN

(1) *Relevant Experience:* I served on the Madison City Council from 1968-73 and four terms as Mayor from 1973-79 and 1989-91. More importantly, I have used the time to learn the values and goals of the people of Madison.

(2) *City Issues:* The three most important issues are land use, the problems of children—particularly those living in poverty—and taxes.

Madison must follow its land use plan, which calls for development that is environmentally sound and socially homogeneous. Madison can become a central city surrounded by a ring of non-diverse, upper-middle-class suburbs. We must realize that when employers locate out of the metropolitan core they become inacces-

sible to those who rely on public transit. We must remember that housing for a family in the city takes up 1/8 the land that it would in a rural development and, of course, is more effective for transportation, fire, and other urban services.

There are more than twice as many at-risk children in our public schools today than two years ago. It is essential that the city employ preventive measures in family counseling and child advocacy so that the cycle of poverty can be broken. For any city to be successful it must have a sound fiscal base and cannot overtax its citizens. Progressive alternatives to the property tax must be found—particularly those that get our suburban neighbors to help pay for the cost of our urban problems, to which they contribute.

(4) *Past Accomplishments in this Office:* Mobilization for Kids—This program has received little attention but is already a success. For the first time the city, county, school district, private sector, and social service agency leaders have gathered to develop a long-range agenda to address the problems of children.

During the 1980's the city lost millions of dollars in state aid. During 1989-90 we were able to reverse this trend of declining state aid. [Through] the new Tax Disparity Program, increased payments for municipal services, and transportation aids, Madison picked up over \$3 million dollars in new state revenue. I look forward to continuing this advocacy on behalf of our city.

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SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Dear neighbors,

It's been a long time since my last report. Since then the County has passed the 1991 Budget—a \$20 million increase in spending over last year. The large-ticket increases are Public Safety (reflecting costs of a new jail) and Human Services (reflecting further erosion of the social fabric). Additional sources of revenue to pay for this are from grants, revaluation, and a 1/2% sales tax due to start April 1. I hope to spend more time this year with issues connected to Human Services to become more knowledgeable on where and why we spend the bulk of County money there.

If you have been following accounts in the news, you are aware that the County is involved with selecting a site for a new Huber facility. I am a member of the joint committees so charged and was on hand recently at MATC for a public hearing on two sites in the near vicinity of the Technical College. Clearly there is wide spread opposition to those sites and the two other Madison sites. Furthermore, any site within Madison would have to be rezoned (currently unlikely). Sites outside the city would create transportation problems.

Please remember that approximately 75% of those who would be in this facility are Madison residents with jobs in Madison. Does it make sense to build in Verona or Oregon? Meanwhile,

overcrowding has never been worse with over 600 in a space with a *maximum* capacity of 400 (normally 330). We face the reality of buying or renting trailers to house the overflow and live in the danger of a suit brought by a prisoner or action by inspectors or the courts to provide relief from these conditions.

The draft proposal of the Greenspace Committee was released at year's end and in January received notice at informational hearings throughout the county. Though there is widespread support for the goals of the committee, there is considerable controversy regarding implementation. The draft is currently undergoing revision (due in April) in light of comments at the hearings. The Zoning and Natural Resources Committee has formed a subcommittee to review and make recommendations to the County Board.

In the midst of this, the Cities of Madison and Sun Prairie have ratified an agreement dealing with community separation and "green-space" in that area. A similar agreement is anticipated between Madison and Verona. The point

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I'd like to make is that events can move swiftly, changing the complexion of issues many have strong opinions about, causing the end product to be very different from what was expected only a short time ago.

Ordinance Amendment 32 I will present as an example. This was submitted at the request of the County Executive by Supervisor Cieslewicz. The amendment *would require that all subdivision plats have a public sewer available. It would also change the number of lots constituting a subdivision from five to three.* Action on this amendment has been tabled until April 16, at the earliest.

Due to issues raised in hearings before the Zoning Committee and the County Board, I have consulted with the Chief Legal Counsel of DILHR and the Dane County Corporation Counsel to obtain legal opinions on the issues raised. I have been advised that *it is unlikely that a County Ordinance could be sustained if it precludes unsewered subdivisions, as drafted.*

Since then Supervisor Bisgard, Zoning Committee Chair, has introduced changes in the underlying Ordinance as it relates to certified surveys, creation of land parcels, and regulation by allocation of building sites per town per year. The committee will tour rural Dane County with the intent of gaining input from those affected by any proposed changes.

I have recommended to the County Executive, Supervisor Bisgard, and others that a group of liberal/moderate/conservative

supervisors meet to discuss the issues raised in the Ord. Amendment and the Greenspace proposal as they relate to land use. I believe that people in the County want to preserve our distinctiveness and quality of life, and are willing to accept reasonable controls to achieve this. No one's interests will be served, however, by a narrow victory by either extreme that will only deepen the fissure in the current County Board, thereby preventing action desperately needed.

We can't pretend that the County and our municipalities will not grow. They grew at a faster rate than predicted in the last decade, and *it is estimated that County population will increase by 40,000 over this decade.* Where these people will live, options open to them, availability and affordability of housing, services, preservation of farmland are some of the intertwined issues and will best be solved by reasoned discussion and participation by all interested parties.

Above I have noted some of the recent and ongoing challenges in County Government. **These are human problems and will be solved by people,** *so please let me know your opinions and creative solutions.* Also it's never too early to begin thinking about next year's budget. I would like to begin formulating a priority list to advocate for. I'd like to know what constituents would support. Let me hear from you.

Sup. Richard Linster

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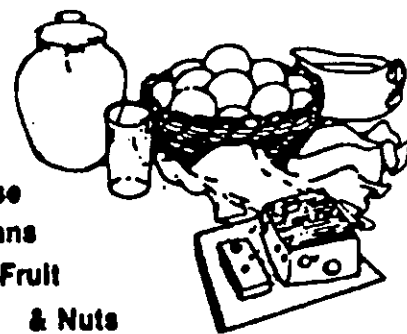
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