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NEWSLETTER SUMMER 1992

THOMASES' POSITIVE IMAGES GALLERY AIMS TO BEAUTIFY AND EDUCATE

It was Jim Thomas' daughter Pamela's idea.

On a visit by Jim and his wife Yvonne to North Carolina, where Pamela Thomas-King is an anesthesiologist, she warned her father that the stress and strain of his job as an aide to

Mayor Paul Soglin was very bad for his health. She wanted him to get out of the "rat race" in Madison, and, knowing of her father's interest in African-American art, offered to fund an art gallery which Jim would manage. Jim hadn't really thought seriously of changing careers, but decided to accept the offer. Thus was born Positive Images Gallery, the

latest addition to Madison's art scene.

Jim and Yvonne, who is the affirmative action officer for Dane County, started collecting African-American art a number of years ago. They began Positive Images by selling art on a part time basis out of their home. "After a year, there was such a

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Hannah and Caleb Crossley braved the unseasonably cold weather on April 25 to help out with the Tenney Park Earth Day Cleanup. (See story p. 5)

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ALDER'S REPORT

THE LITTLE THINGS THAT COUNT—Earth Day passed with a flurry of neighborhood clean-up events, tree plantings and speeches, all of which help to focus the public's attention on keeping alive the ecological ethic espoused by Wisconsin's own John Muir, Aldo Leopold, and Gaylord Nelson.

On the local scene comes the good news that the city and its residents are diverting 65 percent of our waste from the landfill. Last year alone our trash volume declined 18 percent, thanks in part to our new recycling program. About 90 percent of households are now participating in curbside pickup, a remarkable rate for a new program. Almost 60,000 tons of refuse was kept out of landfills in the past year. Madison was honored last year by the U.S. Conference of Mayors for our recycling efforts. Take a well-deserved bow, Madison residents, for keeping the environmental ethic alive.

BUDGET NEWS—City departments are beginning to prepare their 1993 budgets, so I'm taking requests from 2nd District residents about programs, spending priorities and possible budget reductions. Give me a call if you have suggestions.

Preliminary parks budget recommendations spell good news for 2nd District parks. The expansion of James Madison Park to link both parts of the park with shoreline access and a pathway may become a reality in the next two

years. Funds may also be available next year to improve that park's scenic overlook. Preliminary reports also call for major improvements at Breese Stevens, more work at Tenney to upgrade the island for future soccer use, new landscaping along the Yahara River, a paved handicapped accessible path to the Tenney playground on the island, landscaping work at Burr Jones, and improvements to Burrows Park along Sherman Ave. Give the Parks Dept. a call if you want to help preserve the funding for these major improvements in the final parks budget.


STREET WORK—Three major street projects are slated this summer around the 2nd District. Improvements include N. Blount St. from E. Johnson St. north to the lake, 4th St. from E. Johnson St. to E. Washington Ave., and E. Dayton St. from 7th St. to North St.

For next year I'll be requesting street improvements for the area around East High, including E. Johnson St.; work is also needed on Few, Ingersoll and other side streets leading north from E. Washington. Curbs and gutters around the area are in increasingly bad shape and will need work in the next few years. I'll meet with city engineering staff in early summer to plan out future repairs.

I've also reviewed a new plan for the 1st St./E. Washington intersection, which is part of the city's long-range Isthmus Traffic Redirection
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Plan. I'll help schedule a public meeting later this summer to unveil those plans so that there is plenty of neighborhood input before we proceed. Call Mike Nagy in the Dept. of Transportation for further details.

NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY—I met recently with police officers and both the Tenney-Lapham and Old Market Place Neighborhood Associations to discuss police enforcement problems. The good news, according to beat officers and Captain Jeff Frye, is that the district's neighborhoods have far fewer police calls and crime than many other neighborhoods around the city. Traffic speeding seemed to be the primary concern of residents at these two meetings. A traffic enforcement task force should issue a final report later this summer with specific recommendations on this problem. This task force is likely to recommend photo radar to help curb excessive speeders. I've also urged the Police Dept. to pay special attention to the growing speeding problem on E. Washington Ave.

ADOPT-A-PARK PROGRAM UNDERWAY—I've been working with the Parks Dept. during the past year to implement a volunteer-based program that will allow neighborhood groups, businesses, environmental organizations and civic groups the opportunity to "adopt" a city park. In addition to periodic trash cleanups, groups will provide eyes and ears to prevent park vandalism or other problems, and report specific problems to parks staff or the police department. Private park fundraising will also

be encouraged to take advantage of the city's matching People for Parks program.

This new program should lead to cleaner, safer parks, while saving taxpayers future tax dollars. The Tenney-Lapham neighborhood has already adopted Tenney Park. My personal thanks to Alan Crossley, Jeannette Deloya, Jim Sturm, Caroline Hoffman and other residents and businesses who helped with the recent Tenney Park cleanup. And a special thank you to all the neighborhood kids who took part in a very successful event!

TREES, TREES, & MORE TREES!—New street trees have popped up along streets in our neighborhoods, which is part of phase four of my long-range effort to replant terrace trees throughout the district. City forestry crews have been busy along Sherman Ave. near Tenney Park and along other residential streets. Trees that were damaged in last summer's storm have also been replaced, and more new trees should be planted again this fall. In the past few years over 500 new trees have been planted throughout the district's residential streets.

COUNCIL DUTIES—In April I was elected City Council President. I consider it a tremendous honor and a privilege to serve the district and the city in that capacity. I'll be working closely with Mayor Soglin and his staff on citywide issues, such as the development of new community centers, the delivery of key city services, etc.

I've also changed my committee appointments after being elected Council President. I've given up my post on the Plan Commission and my role as chair of the Transportation Commission. I'll now serve on the Board of Estimates and will chair the Council's Organizational Committee. I'll continue on the Pedestrian-Bicycle Committee, the Dane 2020 Transportation Task Force, the Transit Corridor Study Committee which is looking at light rail and future mass transit improvements, and as the Council's representative on the Madison Mutual Housing Association's Board of Directors.

Ald. David Wallner

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PARKS & PLAYGROUNDS

EARTH DAY CLEANUP A SUCCESS

Despite the cool, cloudy weather, 40 neighborhood people showed up for the cleanup at Tenney Park held from 9 am-12 noon on Earth Day, Saturday, April 25.

This group of volunteers managed to collect 26 bags of trash and 9 bags of recyclables from the park. They also found a host of other interesting items, including a bike, a stolen purse, underwear, pants, a urine specimen container, broken hockey sticks, pucks, part of a muffler, and over 1300 yellow bristles from the ice cleaning machinery.

Thanks to the generous donations of several local businesses, all children participating in the cleanup received a prize for helping out, and everyone was well fed and had plenty to drink. A big, heartfelt thanks to:

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PEDAL BOAT REPORT

Editor's Note: This report was submitted to TLNA immediately after its completion almost a year ago. Unfortunately, it was received just after the Summer 1991 newsletter went to press.

The author, Anne Wiecki, was successful in her first year of operation and has received permission from the Parks Commission to continue this summer.

As many of you may have heard, Tenney Park was considered as a possible site for pedal boat rentals. A survey was distributed to the residents of Marston Street and Johnson Street. Enclosed is a tabulation of the results (see next page). Due to significant opposition as can be seen from that summary, the Tenney Park location was eliminated as a possible site. The general consensus was that the park did not need any additional attractions and that significant congestion already existed in that area.

If you would like to rent pedal boats you will be pleased to know that Brittingham Beach located on Proudfit Street between John Nolen Drive and Regent Street on Monona Bay was selected as a site. Madison got an appropriate location for pedal boats by asking the neighborhood residents what they thought.

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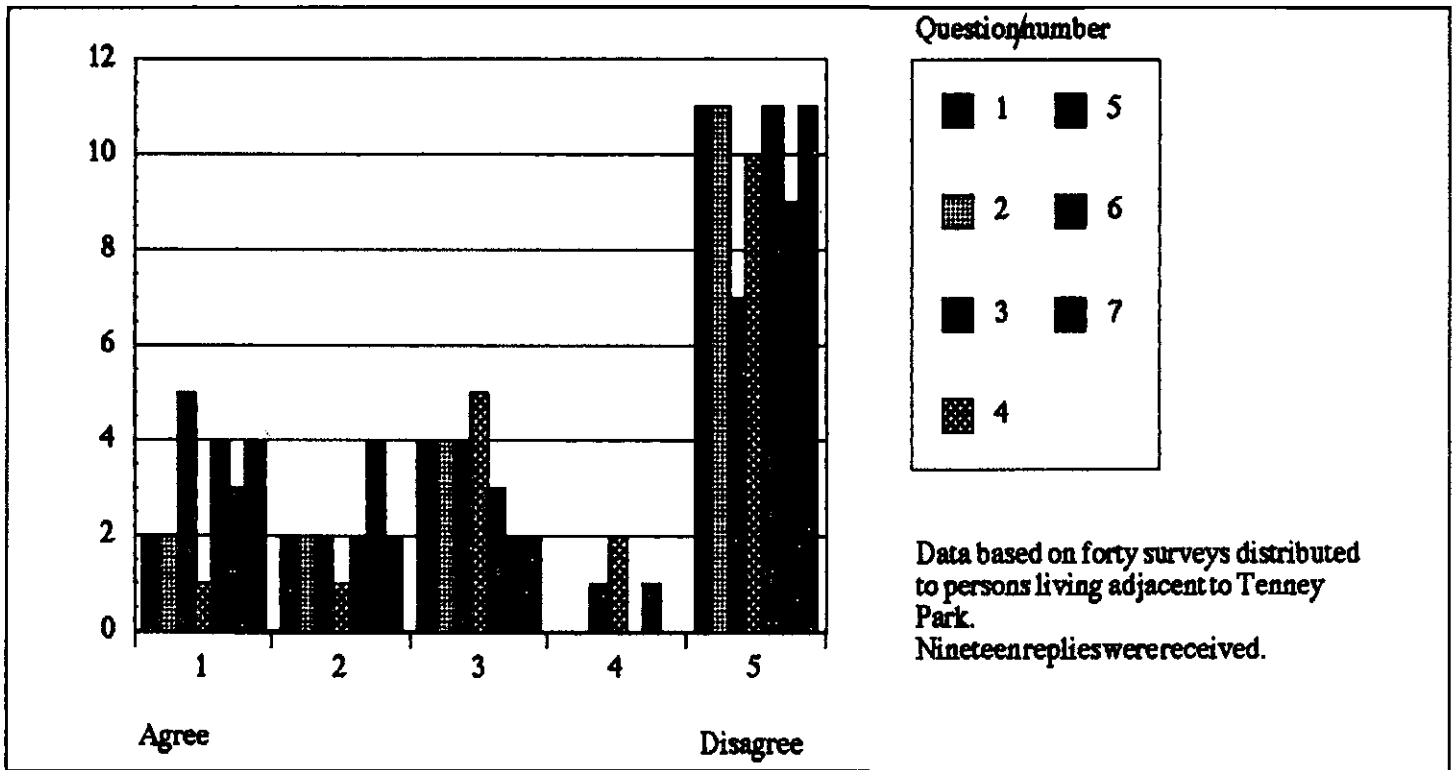
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1. Pedal boats would be an attractive addition to the facilities at Tenney Park.
2. As a neighborhood resident, I feel this would be an attractive addition to my neighborhood.
3. Many people who currently visit Tenney Park would take advantage of it.
4. For people who make such a special trip for such an attraction, there is generally available

parking in the lot marked on the map (not included here).

5. The indicated location for pedal boats would not interfere with other activities at the park.
6. Generally, there is sufficient open water at the indicated location to be able to operate pedal boats.
7. I would support allowing Anne Wiecki's proposal to have approval for one year and to be able to reevaluate it again next year to decide if it should be continued.

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ASSEMBLY REPORT

Small Business Health Insurance Plan Makes Coverage More Affordable

In the Assembly's ten public hearings on health care issues during the 1991-92 session, rapidly rising costs have emerged ahead of all other concerns as the most urgent aspect of this crisis. But, while there has been considerable debate on how to control these costs, our state — and, indeed, our nation — has not reached a consensus on how to do it.

Personally, I favor far-reaching reforms of the health care system to provide universal coverage to all citizens. But because achieving such reform will take considerable time, the Legislature has explored what can be done in the meantime to improve the system we have.

It comes as a surprise to many people that the great majority of the uninsured are not unemployed, impoverished or homeless. In fact, they are working people who lack coverage because their employer (typically, a small business with little bargaining power in the insurance market) cannot afford the soaring premiums being charged. Therefore, the Legislature decided to make affordable health insurance available to this underserved segment of the market.

The result is the Small Employer Health Insurance Plan, which the Legislature passed and sent to the Governor in March. Under this plan, health insurers would market a new, lower-cost policy to small businesses which employ between 2 and 25 persons.

Here is how the Small Employer Health Insurance Plan would work:

1. A board consisting of five representatives of small businesses and five employee representatives would establish a basic benefits policy.

2. Any insurer which currently sells small group health insurance, or which sells three or more individual policies to employees of the

same small business, must sell the basic benefits policy to eligible businesses upon request.

3. The "guaranteed issue" provisions of the bill would prohibit an insurer from refusing to cover members of a small group because of health status or claims experience.

4. Insurers would contract with providers for discounted payment rates under the plan; use of non-physician providers would be encouraged.

It is important to emphasize that a business would be under no obligation to purchase this coverage. This bill should not be confused with the "play or pay" proposals, under which employers are required to provide health insurance. It simply allows the insurance industry to follow through on its contention that it can serve the small group market if the regulatory flexibility to design an attractive product is provided.

To those who advocate sweeping changes, the Small Employer Health Insurance Plan may seem like a modest beginning. But for many, it may mean the difference between having affordable coverage and having none. For those individuals and their employers, it will be a giant leap forward, indeed.

Rep. David Clarenbach

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Do you have a question about your health or about where to go for health information or services? If you are a Madison resident, call your local Public Health Nurse.

Public Health Nurses can: help you answer your health questions; provide referrals to other health resources; offer information about how you can change your lifestyle to prevent health problems before they start; and they can offer free services such as blood pressure measurement, vision and hearing screening, communicable disease detection and a myriad of other screening and clinic services.

Public Health Nurses are also very accessible to the public. They provide services to city residents at locations throughout Madison.

Public Health Nurses also teach classes and work with families and individuals in their homes. So call ahead to the Center or the downtown dept. office (266-4821) before dropping in.

LOOKING FOR HOME TO PURCHASE

Our family with three young children thinks your neighborhood would be a great place to live and is looking for a well-maintained house to purchase. Ideally, we are looking for a house with four large bedrooms, two baths, family room, 1800+ sq. ft., and a yard large enough for the kids to play in. If you are selling your home, and it seems like a good fit for our needs, please call Wayne or Julie at 233-4783.

DO YOU NEED CHILD CARE?

As of late August, I will be providing child care in my home Tuesdays through Fridays. I am a member of the *Central City Family Day Care System* and will be *state-licensed*. Call **Gloria Marquardt at 256-0727.**

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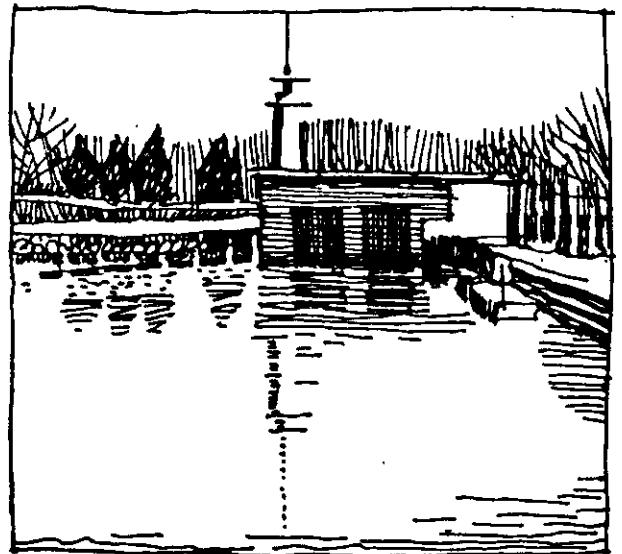
Madison School-Community Recreation Dept., in cooperation with the City of Madison, offers a Pontoon Boat Program. They offer free rides, three times a week, now thru September.

The "Dream Boat" sails every Sunday morning, 6 am-12 noon, going between Tenney, Olbrich, and Law Parks. Round trip takes an hour, and they pick up hourly at each park. Participants are encouraged to share their dreams and breakfast on Lake Monona.

The "Music Boat" sails Wednesday nights from 6-8:30 pm, between Tenney and Olbrich Parks. Round trip takes 45 minutes, and they pick up every 30 minutes at each park. Everyone sings their old favorite songs as they float around the lake.

The "Multi-Cultural Boat" sails between Law and Olin Parks on Thursday afternoons from 1-5 pm. People of any ethnic background can share their language, customs, and food. They will pick up every 30 minutes at each park.

The pontoon boat, Charles A, is accessible to people with physical disabilities, and the rides are open to the public on a first-come, first-served basis. Call MSCR at 266-6420 for more information.



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If you would use some of your electricity at night rather than during the day, our plans for new power plants can be delayed. This would save valuable natural resources and help to keep the cost of electricity down, too!

Given the damp basements we have in the Isthmus, dehumidifiers may be the biggest users of electricity in our homes. And there is no reason why a dehumidifier can't do its job at night (off-peak) instead of during the day (on-peak).

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The Madison Department of Public Health offers a free "stop smoking" program to all City of Madison residents. "Quit for You—Quit for Two" is a one-session program that helps smokers quit on their own and stay off cigarettes. Extra help is available to pregnant women and those who plan to become pregnant in the future.

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At any one time, there are over 30 children in Dane

County waiting for the right foster homes. Currently, the following children are in need: preschoolers, siblings who want to stay together, African-American children, and teens.

Short-term, emergency, and longer-term foster homes are needed. Help a child find a new beginning. Foster parents can specify the type of child that would best fit into their home. They receive reimbursement dependent on the age and special needs of the individual child.

Foster parents can be single or married. They must be responsible and mature individuals who can provide good care for a child. If you have the time and energy to help one child reconstruct his/her life, consider becoming a foster parent.

Call Dane County Human Services, Deena Williams (273-6611) for more info. If each one could reach one, we could really make a difference for the children in our community.

MEMBERSHIP

JOIN TLNA!

Become a card-carrying member of the Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood Association. It's easy! Send this form and some money (see below) to: TLNA, P.O. Box 703, Madison, WI 53701.

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The new membership forms will give you a chance to make a tax-deductible donation to the Parks Fund (covering parks, gardens, and playgrounds) and tell us how we should spend it. You can also volunteer time for one of the standing committees if you like.

The paid membership of TLNA as of June 2 is 159 members (38 new), with \$547 in dues collected.

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LETTERS

CURTIS COURT FAMILY TREE PROJECT

Dear Family and Friends of Curtis Court,

I've been wanting to write to you for some time now because Curtis Court (the one block street just north of the Avenue Bar) has had a project in the making and I'm excited about it. This street, Curtis Court, little known to most folks in the city but called home to many, has been earmarked for some improvements by the city. The city (in the form of David Wallner) heard the requests of those of us living and working on the court when we asked them to beautify this street.

Right now the city is committed to planting ten trees and adding a terrace on the south side of the court. We hope also to put in shrubs and flowers. Any of you who are familiar with this street realize this is not an ordinary street tree planting project. If you've walked the Court, you can see what a challenging project it is to blend businesses, families and trees in the space available. The project represents the blending of cooperation between the city, businesses and families.

In order to even have the possibility of this project we had to have the cooperation and involvement of our longtime business neighbors: Tom Melms of Badger Cab, Noll Johnson, Skip Zach of the Avenue Bar, and others. Their support has been very encouraging. They have donated not only dollars but the space for the trees to be planted.

Those of us working on the project also saw the project as a way to involve and recognize longtime families of the neighborhood and newcomers. Our excitement is in bringing this tree planting and street revitalization program together with the recognition of the families that have settled here and contributed to this community.

I have a couple of requests of you, the families, friends, and neighbors of Curtis Court.

First, would you and your family like to

contribute to our family tree fund? Your contributions will help buy the trees and plant the terrace with shrubs and flowers. In recognition of your contribution of \$40 (any amount would be appreciated), we will include your family name and the year the family moved into this neighborhood on a commemorative sign.

The second request I have is to ask you to help us remember those who would like to be included in our family tree program. This could be a wonderful way to honor any longtime residents of the neighborhood. Please give us a list of the names of folks we might invite to join our family tree project.

We ask your support in the form of ideas, suggestions, questions and even planning and planting talents.

Thank you so very much for listening and thanks for being a part of our family tree project. Please feel free to include any suggestions. We look forward to celebrating with you upon the completion of the Curtis Court project. With any luck the trees will go in this fall and the flowers and shrubs the spring of 1993.

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Just a few thoughts for your consideration:

1) Please remember the lakes! They usually look and smell terrible in early June. We all need to do our part to keep fertilizers and lawn trimmings out of the street. If you would like literature about protecting the lakes, give me a call.

2) Should the neighborhood council establish board positions for police liaisons and social services? For example, are the elderly being adequately represented? Should we set up

a volunteer network to assist the elderly in our area? What can we do to make our neighborhood better?

3) The issue of the convention center is looming. Should TLNA take a position? Perhaps an education and information forum in the fall is needed. What do you think?

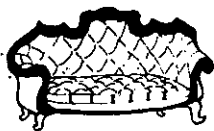
4) The block captains are coming! A block captain program has been implemented to keep our association vigorous. Please welcome your block captain when she or he calls on you!

If you have any thoughts about these issues please call me (266-3538), a TLNA board member, or your block captain. Have a great summer!

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A \$1 million special mortgage program for qualified buyers who have special income limitations and are purchasing homes in target market areas has been announced today by First Wisconsin National Bank of Madison.

The special mortgage program which began on April 15, 1992, features a 30-year mortgage with a fixed rate for 7 years. The maximum household income limit is \$35,040, which is 80% of Dane County's median annual income. The home must be in a target census area in Madison. The maximum loan amount is \$80,000 with a maximum purchase price of \$97,800. A minimum down payment of 5% is required.

According to Richard A. Hansen, president of First Wisconsin National Bank of Madison, "The program offers substantial benefits to individuals who could not otherwise afford to purchase a home." Hansen pointed out three unique features which make this program more usable by individuals in the targeted market areas. First, gifts or home buyers' assistance funds can be included in the minimum down payment of 5%. Second, the initial interest rate is fixed for 7 years compared to a customary 1 year period. Third, underwriting guidelines have been relaxed so that good credit history and current housing expense can work to the applicant's advantage.

Potential home buyers who think they may qualify for the program are encouraged to call First Wisconsin to inquire about their eligibility.



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WORKSHOPS & EXTENDED HOURS AT TRC

The Tenant Resource Center (TRC) had a 62% increase in the number of persons who received rental counseling during the first four months of 1992. It's not surprising that some persons say they have trouble getting through to a TRC counselor on the phone. TRC staff suggest that clients come to the office (14 W. Mifflin St., Suite 4) in person during regular counseling hours or call during evening hours. This summer TRC will be open 6-8 pm at least three nights each week, and it is much easier to reach a counselor during the evening. For further information, call 257-0006.

TRC will present a series of summer workshops at the Atwood Community Center (2435 Atwood Ave.). Each workshop will begin with a short presentation on how to read a lease and how to protect security deposits. Individual counseling—on all rental topics—will be provided after the presentation. The TRC handbooks, "Tenants' Rights in Wisconsin" and "Property Management in Wisconsin" will be available for sale at the workshops. Persons attending the workshops are encouraged to bring leases and other information that will assist the rental counselor. The workshops are free and will be held from 7-8:30 pm on the following dates: 7/16, 7/30, 8/6, 8/20, 9/3, 9/17.



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EDUCATION

TLNA AWARDS \$250 SCHOLARSHIP IN MEMORY OF PEAT & PIPER

The Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood Association joined several other groups in providing extra scholarship awards to East High School graduates in honor of the memory of Becky Peat & Burkie Piper, two East High students who were killed in a tragic car accident as they walked

across East Washington Avenue in front of the school.

At the East High School Awards Ceremony held on June 3, the TLNA scholarship was awarded to Elsa Cleland, daughter of Joan and Wallace Cleland, 1154 Sherman Avenue. Elsa had a 3.9+ grade point average and is planning to attend Duke University in the fall. We wish her all the best in her future studies.



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BUSINESS

THE BLUE BEAD 819 East Johnson Street

The Blue Bead, a store selling beads and beading supplies, is the latest addition to Tenney-Lapham's eclectic shopping district on Johnson Street. The store is located at 819 E. Johnson Street, next to Whole Earth, in the space formerly occupied by Prisca Magia.

The Blue Bead is the first business venture of a young couple, Ramsey Finger and Ellyn Zografi. Ramsey previously worked in a bead store in Minneapolis where Ellyn worked in an import store. The couple moved to Madison, Ellyn's home town, earlier this year to open the business.

They wanted their shop to be on Madison's near east side, and after looking at possible locations on Willy Street and Johnson Street they found their current location.

There are dozens of beads from all corners of the globe. You can create your own necklaces, earrings, bracelets or whatever your imagination can conjure. The beads are made from wood, glass, stone, brass and seeds. My favorite was a Buddha bead made from an olive pit and costing \$1.50. Prices range from 3 cents/bead on up.

There are magazines and books for sale and the store has a reference section for in-store reading. Store hours are Tuesday and Thursday, 10-8; Monday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday, 10-6; and Sunday, 12-4. Their phone number is 251-2583. Stop on by to welcome Ramsey and Ellyn to our neighborhood.

Bob Shaw

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strong reaction by people to having African-American art in their homes, we decided to do this full time," Jim said in a recent interview.

The art works and other materials featured in the gallery are chosen to reflect positive images of the black experience. Jim Thomas sees Positive Images "not just as a business, but something that belongs to the community." Positive Images has already become a gathering place for



Positive Images Galley, 708 1/4 E. Johnson St.

Madisonians — for example, a graduate student in art recently defended his thesis in front of his professors and received his MFA from the University right in the gallery.

The switch from government work to art dealing was "definitely the right thing to do," says Jim. He enjoys the tranquility of the gallery, the lack of stress, and the artistic atmosphere. Positive Images carries the work of a wide range of local and regional African-American artists, featuring original work, prints and posters. The gallery also carries a limited number of signed, autographed lithographs. Jim likes to work with local African-American artists and provide them with the opportunity to display their art. One of his main goals is making sure that the art in the

gallery is kept affordable. The gallery also offers framing; Jim has received certification as a framer and is a member of the Professional Framers Association.

June 15 is the gallery's first anniversary. Jim is pleased with the gallery's first year and has plans for the future. He is committed to putting art in Madison's churches, developing a catalogue, and continuing to show work by local African-American artists. He'd also like to hire an apprentice to pass along the trade to some of Madison's African-American youth. Jim is proud of the gallery's new scholarship program, which each spring will award a scholarship to an African-American student from Madison who will be going into art in college and a work of art to the Madison chapter of the Links, an African-American service organization.

Jim chose his East Johnson Street location because he wanted the gallery to be on a busy street. "It's a trendy community. We have a lot of patrons from the Tenney-Lapham neighborhood, although people from all around the city, black and white, come in." Many visitors to Madison, some of whom spot the gallery on their way to and from the Dane County Airport, frequent the gallery as well.

Positive Images Gallery is open Tuesday-Friday, 11 am to 8 pm and Saturdays from 10 am to 5 pm. The telephone number is 255-0277.

Anne Katz

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