



TENNEY - LAPHAM

NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

Summer 2011

Tenth Annual Art Walk Set for June 26

You may be an art collector; you may be an art admirer; you may be a philosopher; or you may just like to take a walk and see things. Our annual art walk is for all of us.

Once again a big thank-you goes to local artists extraordinaire Sharon and Bill Redinger for organizing the event. The beginning of summer and our annual art walk have become a beautiful tradition for us and visitors from all parts of the city. Sharon and Bill conceived the



"The Chicken Andouille Qumbo" by Tiffany Olson

art walk as a way to promote a smaller more local art event. Art walk participants all live in the Tenney-Lapham neighborhood. Sharon says the art walk

is like any other art fair for the artists except they don't have to pack up their art and travel. Instead, they have to clean house and get ready to welcome visitors.

This year ten neighborhood artists will welcome and share their art with us. A brief description of their art work and a map are available in the center fold of this newsletter.

Parking is available at the Christ Presbyterian Church parking lot - 944 E. Gorham Street.

- Joe Brogan



"Mother" Quilt by Marty Petillo.

Summer Calendar of Events

June 25 - Tour des Coops

June 26 - Art Walk

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Tour des Coops - June 25

TLNA will again be sponsoring a walking tour of chicken coops in the Tenney- Lapham neighborhood.

Saturday, June 25

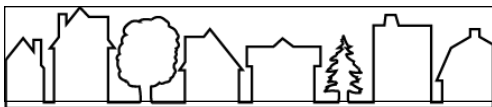
1:00-4:00 p.m.

Maps for this free self-guided tour will be available at the first stop:
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Questions?
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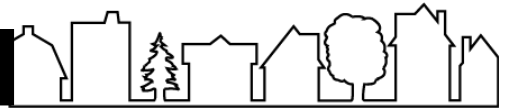



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Share the Harvest or the CSA Box

Last year I kicked off an effort to collect produce from neighborhood gardeners for the First United Methodist Church (FUMC) Food Pantry. Enough neighbors were able to drop off produce that it seemed worth doing again this year. I know the church and its customers appreciate the fresh produce whenever it is available.

The FUMC food pantry has been in operation for 27 years. It operates five days a week, with 2 ½ hour sessions on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings and 1 hour sessions on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. The pantry is a “choice” pantry, where volunteers escort guests through the various sections and they choose the foods they like and

want. The amount of food given out is based on the size of the household. Last year the pantry served over 5,000 households and more than 15,000 individuals, one-third of whom were children.

I’m asking neighborhood gardeners with excess produce to consider donating it to the pantry again this year. While you are at it, consider planting an extra row of lettuce or an extra tomato plant I’m also asking those of you that receive a CSA share to consider dropping off excess produce as well. Or if you are gone for a week, consider donating your share that week to the pantry.

Each Saturday and Sunday until the first killing frost, I’ll have a box on my front porch where folks can drop off

surplus fresh produce that they can’t use. If you have produce that you want me to pick up - you can send me an e-mail or give me a call and I’ll try to swing by on my bike on Sundays to pick up what you have. Either way, whatever I collect I’ll deliver on Monday morning to the pantry on my way to work.

My front porch is located at 459 Sidney Street. My home phone number is 255-2706 and my e-mail is wildmgr@sbcglobal.net I can only accept produce on Saturdays and Sundays as I have no way to keep it cool before delivering it on Monday. Please join me in sharing the harvest or the CSA box!

- Alan Crossley

Clean up with Friends of the Yahara Parkway

Looking to help Mother Nature and your neighborhood parks this year?

If you want to throw some love toward our city parks consider working with Madison Parks, Weed Warriors, Triple M Green Team or for something really local, try the Friends of the Yahara River Parkway (FYRP). There are plenty of opportunities and your help is always welcome.

If you want to volunteer with the FYRP, consider the following:

Car: Probably not needed. Bike or walk to work with neighbors and community volunteers.

Tools: Probably not needed. Unless you have a favorite, the FYRP provides tools and gloves.

Refreshments: Definitely not needed. FYRP provides them.

Want to vent some frustration? Take it out on some exotic invasive plants – it’ll feel good!

Do you need a strong back? Not really. We have a variety of light to heavy-duty activities.

Volunteer

All of our activities are Saturday

mornings from 9 am to noon. Check out our 2011 schedule:

June 11: Yahara Parkway (Willy Street to E. Washington Avenue); meet at East Main Street bridge

June 25: Burr Jones Field and old boathouse site; meet at Tenney shelter

No restoration days in July and August. We’re off picking weeds with our families.

September 10: Tenney Park; meet at Tenney shelter

September 24: Burr Jones Field; meet at Tenney shelter

October 8: Lower Yahara Parkway; meet at Rutledge Street bridge

October 22: Middle Yahara Parkway; meet at East Main Street bridge

November 5: Burr Jones and boat house site; meet at Tenney shelter

The Friends work up and down the river and all over Tenney Park, but this year we are focusing particular attention on restorations in Burr Jones Field (between the bikepath and the railroad tracks) and in Tenney Park around the lagoon. Last year major budget cuts were made to programs for removing

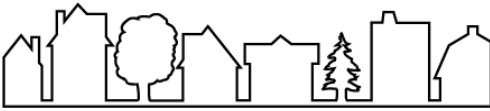
exotic invasive species and hazard trees in these areas.

A variety of native trees, flowers and grasses are being planted at Burr Jones Field to help heal the cut over, including 18 oaks (white, bur and swamp white) and a wide variety of woodland edge and savanna grass and flower seeds. Controlling garlic mustard and other weedy species will be a serious challenge over the next several years.

At Tenney, the goal is to continue the control efforts against the spread of the European alder that has been infesting the shoreline.

All of these landscape restoration activities are guided by the historic OC Simonds landscape plan and the Tenney Park and Yahara Parkway master plans in coordination with Madison Parks Department staff.

If you would like to volunteer with Friends of the Yahara River Parkway contact Ed Jepsen at 335-8847.



Parks

Gates of Heaven to Celebrate 40th Anniversary in James Madison Park

On Sunday, July 17 from 2-4 p.m. there will be a celebration at Gates of Heaven to celebrate its 40th anniversary in James Madison Park. The public is invited to the party which will be hosted by Madison's Park Division.

Memories and photos can be emailed to gatesofheavenmadison@gmail.com or sent to the Parks Office at City of Madison Parks Division, City-County Building, Suite 104, 210 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd, Madison, WI 53703. These images and memories will be posted to the Gates of Heaven Facebook page at <http://tinyurl.com/3pa7erw>.

Built in 1863 from Romanesque Revival designs, Gates of Heaven was originally located in the 400 block of West Washington Avenue. It was used as a synagogue for only fifteen years. Many eclectic uses followed, including as a tea room, a funeral parlor, and as the



headquarters of the Women's Christian Temperance Movement.

Forty one years ago the building was threatened with demolition. In an impressive show of community support, arrangements were made to move the building to James Madison Park and rehabilitate it for public use. This was at

a time when it was believed that a stone or brick structure could not be moved. Ninety-six airplane wheels were used to roll the building eight blocks. The move took more than eight hours and the building was in peril several times along the way. Tree trimmers and utility workers cleared the way as the building approached. Crowds lined the streets to watch.

Now the Gates of Heaven is a popular location for weddings, celebrations, musical and art events, as well as, a variety of religious observances. Gates of Heaven is available for rental. If interested, call the Parks Department at 266-4711. For information about the anniversary party or to volunteer to help, especially with gardening before the event, call Gigi at 251-8586.

- Joe Brogan

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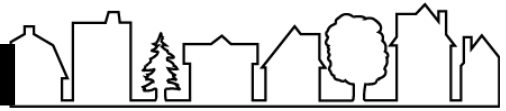
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County Executive's Report



Working With You to Keep Dane County Great



Growing up in Middleton, I always knew that Dane County was a special place. Our community has given me so much and has inspired me to give back. I am

honored to serve you as your new Dane County Executive.

Our home has changed a great deal from when I was younger. Dane County's population is now 490,000 people and is the fastest growing county in Wisconsin.

While determining how to grow at

the same time we protect our farms and lakes will continue to be a challenge, we now face new hurdles - - including how the state budget will impact our quality of life for years to come.

As Dane County Executive, I will meet these challenges head on - by working with you to find solutions, and without sacrificing everything that makes our community great.

My first priority will be finding a way to balance the county budget in the face of deep cuts from the state. Hours after I was officially sworn in, I met with my budget team to begin addressing the changes that may come from the Governor's budget proposal.

We do not yet know the final impact of the state budget, but we know that it could greatly affect human services,

more than half of the county's annual budget.

Prioritizing economic development is also key. I've been meeting with some of our county's economic development leaders, including representatives of the Chamber of Commerce and THRIVE, to make good on the creation of my new Dane County Office of Economic Development.

And I'm committed to making Dane County a clean energy jobs leader. As the price of gasoline climbs, we must re-double our efforts on creating jobs pursuing innovative, cost-effective sources of alternative energy.

I'm looking forward to working with you to achieve these goals.

- Joe Parisi, Dane County Executive

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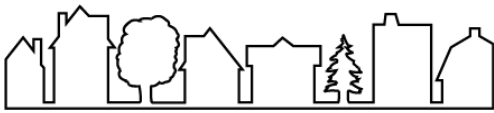


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Safety

Tenney-Lapham gets a New Neighborhood Police Officer

Hi there! My name is Nick Eull and I'd like to take a moment to introduce myself as your new Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood liaison officer. I began my career with the Madison Police Department in May 2005. Over the course of my tenure, I have worked as patrol officer on the afternoon or overnight shift in four of the city's five police districts. In February, 2011, I was assigned to the Central Community Policing Team (CCPT). This team strives to work in partnership with neighborhoods in the Central District to proactively address reoccurring issues that arise.

Aside from my duties as a CCPT officer, I am also a member of the department's SWAT Team and Special Events Team. In Fall, 2009, I took on the role of Field Training Officer to help new officers become better acclimated to the job of a beat cop. In my free time I like



to ride my bike, watch Brewers baseball and spend time with family and friends.

As your neighborhood liaison I will serve as a point of contact for any public

safety questions or concerns you may have. I will also plan to attend TLNA meetings on a monthly basis to provide police updates and field questions or concerns in person. The best way to get in touch with me outside of a meeting is through email. This address along with my office and work cell phone numbers are listed below.

Thanks for your time and I look forward to working with the neighborhood in 2011!

Nick Eull
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Ward 38 – Lapham School	460	506	469	523	52	986
Ward 39 – Gates of Heaven	557	731	641	711	96	1361
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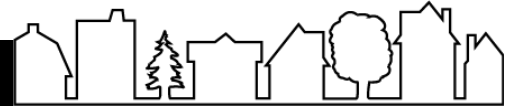
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Start Planning for the Neighborhood Yard Sale in August

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What do you have to do to be a part of this event? Not much - just save up your stuff and set it out in your yard by 8am on the 20th. TLNA will take care of advertising the event in the papers, through the listserv, through the newsletter, and any other way we can think of to get the word out. Neighborhood-wide yard sales really bring folks in because they can hit a lot of sales in a small geographic area. So get ready to move

some product.

Why is TLNA doing this?

In the spirit of building community, it is one more thing that we can do together as a neighborhood.

In the spirit of sustainability, we are reducing (you're getting rid of stuff), reusing (someone else can use your stuff), and recycling (you'll probably end up buying at least one thing from your neighbor).

And we're hoping that you'll consider donating 10% of the proceeds from your yard sale to TLNA to help support the work of YOUR neighbor-

hood association.

You definitely don't have to give TLNA a dime to participate as you'll still be building community and supporting sustainability by having a yard sale. But if you want to go for the trifecta - consider donating some of your profits. You can send a check made out to TLNA to TLNA, PO Box 703, Madison, WI 53701. Please write "Yard sale" in the memo line.

If you want to be listed on the yard sale publicity or if you have questions, give me a call at 255-2706 or send me an e-mail: wildmgr@sbcglobal.net Otherwise - start saving that stuff!!

- Alan Crossley

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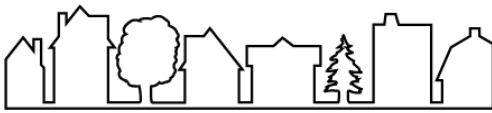
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When Peter Dvorak was deciding on new owners for his coffee shop on E. Johnson Street, he chose Gwen and Kyle Johnson because he thought they would be the best fit for the neighborhood. He was impressed by their business plan and felt they would take his efforts to the next level. Gwen had experience managing coffee shops and was ready to be an owner.



windows for single seating. Plans for outdoor seating are also in the works. The walls and ceiling have a fresh coat of paint and paintings by Ben Floeter are on display.

The doors opened in April with a staff of experienced barristas ready to go. They all live in the neighborhood and really appreciate the ability to walk to work. The cafe has a brand new state of the art espresso machine and serves all of the usual espresso drinks. They use Single Origin Intelligentsia coffee. Coffee drinks are

Kyle and Gwen took

over on March 1st and "In the Company of Thieves" became "Johnson Public House". It seemed fitting that Johnson Public House would be on Johnson Street.

Gwen's mom found the coffee shop for sale on the internet in January and

by mid-February, Gwen and Kyle with their baby son Asher had moved to Madison and were finishing negotiations to purchase the business. The Johnsons are from the Chicago area but Gwen had lived in Madison while attending the UW and had hoped to return some day. They

felt the Tenney-Lapham neighborhood would be a perfect fit for their young family and they live just two blocks from their business.

The month of March was spent remodeling. The bar and tables have custom made wooden tops. There are multiple seating options ranging from a large community table to rail bars in the

brewed to order. You can watch your drink being made. From 7:00 a.m. to noon they also have coffee ready to go for people needing just a quick morning cup of coffee. They make a single serving pour-over in three sizes and a 16 ounce ½ French Press or a 32 ounce Press Coffee. Flavors change according to the season. They serve Rishi teas from Milwaukee and Sassy Cow milk is used for espresso and coffee drinks. Their desire is to produce a high quality product with the best ingredients.

The full food menu is available all day. Pastries and breads come from the Batch Bakery on Willy street. Cafe offerings range from a simple bowl of homemade cashew maple granola or a breakfast sandwich to the more hearty roast beef sandwich topped with grilled

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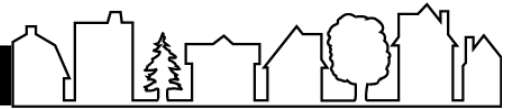
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red onion, provolone and sriracha aioli grilled on multigrain bread. Vegetarian options include grilled portobello on Batch ciabatta and grilled cheese.

The cafe also offers a selection of Wisconsin and other craft beers by the bottle and wine by the bottle or half-bottle. The beer selection will expand and change according to season and the

search for new brands.

Johnson Public House is a great place to relax and talk or take advantage of free wi-fi while having something to eat or drink. The community atmosphere is welcoming to everyone including kids and babies. There are high chairs available and a

changing table in the women's restroom. Kyle and Gwen's son Asher is already quite well known as the cute baby at the cafe.

Johnson Public House at 908 E. Johnson street is

open Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 8:00 a.m. to 10 p.m.

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- Jim Wright



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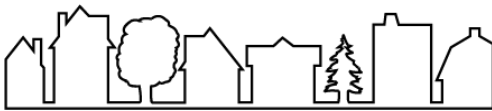
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New Ideas for James Madison Park

Dear Friends,

James Madison Park ranks among the most iconic and important parks in our city. Improvements continue to be made although certain opportunities require the enthusiasm and action of our neighbors to be realized. The loss of Tom Murphy's family-friendly water sports operation in the park shelter last year has yet to be recouped. As a community, we must dedicate ourselves to taking advantage of this important space. At the June Parks Commission meeting (the 14th at 6:30PM, 1625 Northport Dr. Warner Park Center) we must testify in support of an initiative to productively invite an operation into the shelter which will take advantage of the park's unique potential. Services that offer boating and sailing activities, as well as food and other recreative opportuni-

ties, will help shift the dynamics of the park in a direction that's inviting to the neighborhood's diverse demographics and establish a destination of families.

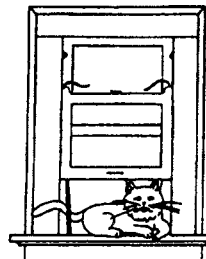
Additionally, city staff have recently researched the possibility of forming community gardening plots in the park which do not impede upon its current use. As a neighborhood passionate about sustainability, we must take advantage of their work and leverage our passion for locally grown food to establish community-run gardens in James Madison Park.

If you share an interest in these initiatives, getting in-

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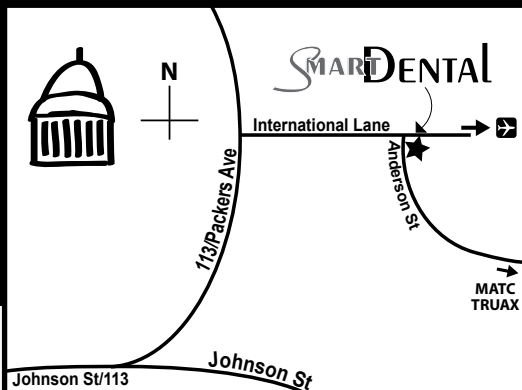
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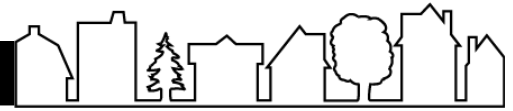
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How would you like to have an impact on the life of an East High school teen striving to earn a college degree? The AVID program (Advancement Via Individual Determination) coupled with the Boys & Girls Club of Dane County's TOPS (Teens of Promise) Mentor program is providing the additional support needed for "kids in the middle" at East to realize their dream of being one of the first, if not the first in their family to make it into college. <http://www.avidtops.org/> By becoming a TOPS Mentor you can easily get involved in your community and be a positive influence in a young person's life.

I've been serving as a mentor for the past three years to an East High student, Mbodje Sarr, who graduates from East in June. My three children graduated from East and had a great experience so this has been an opportunity for me to give back to East and a great young man.

Mentors are encouraged to meet with their Mentee at least once a month and are also invited to attend fun TOPS Mentor/Mentee events throughout the year. Mbodje and I aren't always able to get together every month between his busy schedule and mine. But we keep track via e-mail and Facebook (he doesn't have a cell phone and neither

do I). We both love movies so we go to movies once in a while, and I try to make it to some of his soccer games and track meets throughout the year. We've taken a couple of trips to Chicago to watch some international soccer matches, and we participate in many of the organized events such as laser tag, bowling, haunted house visits and other fun trips organized by AVID/TOPS.

Previous volunteer experience with teens is not a requirement, just a willingness to share some time with a young person. The AVID program at East provides a huge amount of support to the students as they attempt to prepare for and navigate their way toward getting into college. I'm not responsible for college visits, preparation for tests, applying for college, or any such heavy assignment and I'm not functioning as his parent or guardian. I'm just another adult in his life, who went to college, cares about his future, and has some life experiences as well as time to share.

If you are remotely interested - please give me a call (608) 255-2706, I'd be happy to tell you more. Or better yet, contact Kate Tricker at ktricker@bgcdc.org or (608) 204-9722 ext 123 for more information. Kate is a great young woman who is heading up the mentoring program and would be happy

to talk with you about the opportunities for being a mentor.

The AVID/TOPS program hopes to have their mentors for the 2011-12 school year lined up by sometime in mid-July. Please don't delay - contact Kate today.

- Alan Crossley

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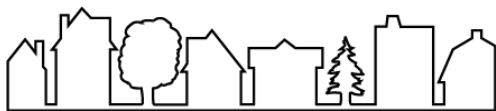
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Art Walk - June 26

On Sunday, June 26, 2011, 1-5pm, you will experience the Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood's Tenth Annual Art Walk. Ten artists who live in our neighborhood will exhibit their original artwork. Use the map on the next page to guide yourself to each of the artist's home studios. Look for a fuchsia-colored sign at each artist's house. The artists have described their own artwork in the following paragraphs. For more information, call 256-6282. Get additional maps at 408 Washburn Place (#1 on the map). Parking available in the Christ Presbyterian Church parking lot, 900 block of East Gorham.

**1. Sharon Redinger, 408 Washburn Place
256-6282**

WATERCOLOR PAINTING

Sharon's watercolor style is described as Hard-edge Watercolor Painting. The close-up world of leaves has captured Sharon's attention. Each wash of color is left to dry before another is placed next to it. Saturated colors and dark shadows are created by multiple layers of color washes.

<http://www.facebook.com/home.php#!/pages/Redinger-Creations/257759555822>

**1. Bill Redinger, 408 Washburn Place
256-6282**

SERIGRAPH PRINTING

Since 1987, Bill has found it enjoyable to depict scenes from creation – imitating nature. A favorite subject matter is wild flowers—flowers that have become a metaphor of the brevity of life. The prints Bill creates capture the light and fleeting beauty of objects of nature. A serigraph is an original color print made by pressing ink/pigment (*with a squeegee*) through a silkscreen stencil.

**2. Jane Scharer, 842 Prospect Place
251-0850**

PRINTMAKING

Jane has always loved art; it was her avocation until she retired to make a commitment to becoming an artist. Madison is a great town in which to practice art with its excellent museums, galleries and studio courses. Today, she primarily consider herself a printmaker creating works using woodcut, etching, callographic and monoprint techniques. Most recently she has been experimenting with kite and scroll forms as well as oil painting.

**3. Brian McCormick, 407 North Brearly Street
255-6769, brianmc52@yahoo.com**

WATERCOLORS & WOODCUTS

Previously a preservation architect, Brian now spends much of his time making art. He has been working in watercolor for many years, but more recently is attempting

to produce woodcut prints in small editions, sometimes adding watercolor. He is inspired by the Driftless Region's woods, hills, and prairies, and by our local lakes, lagoons and gardens. Brian has been actively showing his work in juried competitions regionally, such as the current Transparent Watercolor Society of America show at the Kenosha Public Museum. Besides the work he will be showing at the Art Walk, other paintings can be seen at the Gaston School Gallery in Cottage Grove, at Stone House Pottery and Gallery in Galena, Illinois, and at his website: brianmccormick.artspan.com

**4. Tiffany Olson, 1024 East Johnson Street
515-8433**

OIL AND ACRYLIC PAINTINGS

Since earning a BFA in Visual Art at the University of Texas, at Austin, Tiffany has been exhibiting her paintings in Madison, Baton Rouge, and Austin. Inspired by the flavors of regional cuisines, as well as the colors and forms of produce and our planet, she continues to find new inspiration in the world around her. Ignoring the traditional division between landscape and still life, her paintings reveal an alternate reality that is extraordinary, yet familiar. Tiffany will be displaying artworks from her Edible Landscapes series as well as other paintings that examine the relationship between humans and our environment. www.TiffanyOlson.com

**5. Skot Weidemann, 1123 Sherman Avenue
310-4548**

PHOTOGRAPHY

Skot mainly does custom commercial photography with specialties in architectural interiors & exteriors, low-level aerial photography, custom location work and regional stock photography. He graduated from UW Madison with a BS in Art. However, he has been a lifelong photographer from the area for more than 30 years, with occasional participation in local art photography displays as well. Photos you will see at his house feature views of Madison and the southern Wisconsin area from the ground and the air. www.Weidemannphoto.com

**6. Bill Mattison, 1158 Sherman Avenue
251-9060**

CIRCUS MODELS

I have had a lifelong love of the circus. Behind the scenes interests me more than the performance. In my youth I was always building something. My first circus was completed at age 12. After a stint in the military my

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interests changed from models to building and racing iceboats and sailing on soft water, with ship modeling to fill in the voids. About thirteen years ago I got back to circus model building. I build in 1/2" scale in the 1928 era. My models are all scratch built. I belong to "Circus Model Builders". The organization has some plans available, starting with those, I supplement through hours of research, picture taking and measuring of the full size wagons that are available at Circus World Museum. I manufacture most of my own parts and everything works on the models. I make my own horses, paint, and harness them. It is still a work in progress that will never be done.

7. Pat Rodell, 406 Sidney Street

262-695-1936

WATERCOLOR PAINTINGS

Pat has a B.S. in Art from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Pat enjoys landscapes and creating watercolor paintings of all subject matter. Note cards from original works of art are available as well.

8. Marty Petillo, 469 North Baldwin Street

257-3187

ART QUILTS

Marty enjoys creating traditional quilts as well as original fiber art. Machine piecing, hand piecing, appliqué, embroidery, machine and hand quilting are all techniques she uses in her art. Marty is an active member of Madison Contemporary Fiber Artists. Come enjoy her work—this is a show, not a sale.

9. David Waugh, 1213 East Mifflin

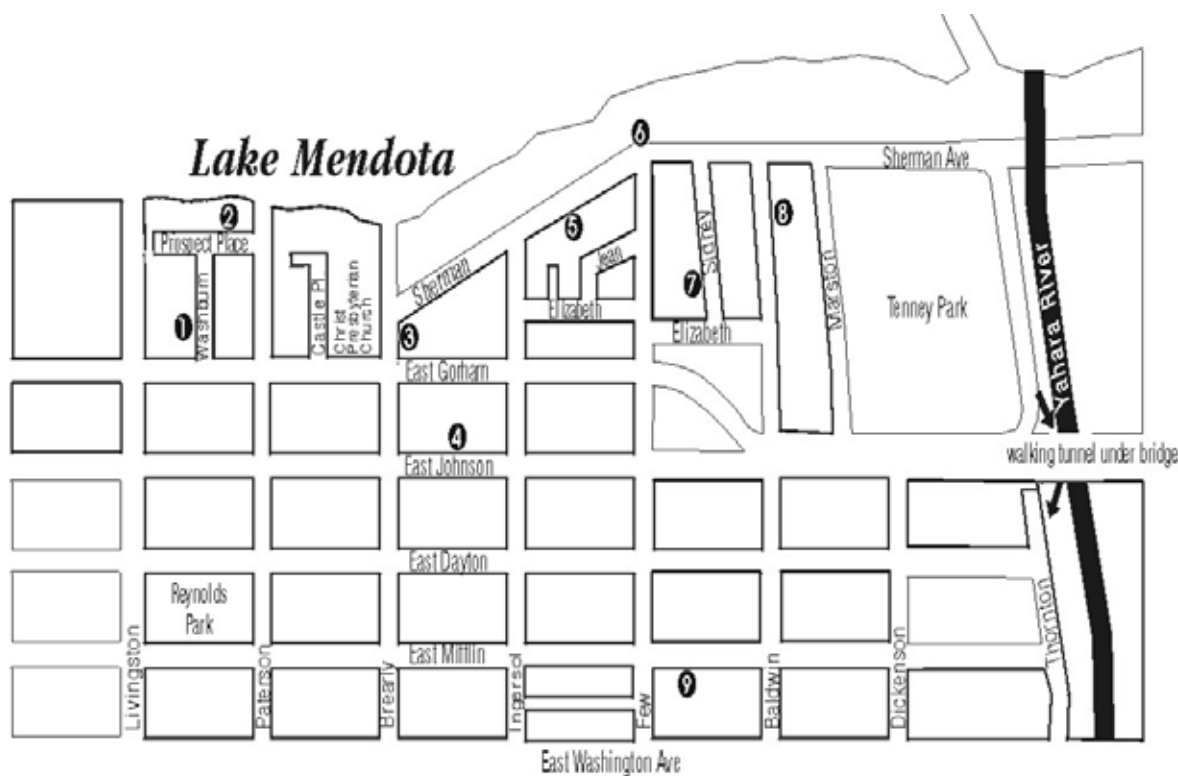
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PHOTOGRAPHY AND LEAF SCULPTURE

David practically never goes anywhere without his digital camera. His favorite photos usually involve a close up of a flower. He deploys a very cool Photoshop filter that gives them a VanGogh style oil painting effect. David also makes cement castings of leaves found in his garden and then paints them in vivid colors. Examples of his leaves may be found at <http://www.morningwoodfarm.com/leaf/gallery.htm>.



The Emerald City by Tiffany Olson





Community

Thanks for Supporting Aaron's House

The Aaron J. Meyer Foundation, owners of Aaron's House at 850 E. Gorham Street, is proud to be a neighbor in Tenney-Lapham since 2007. We opened Aaron's House to be a part of the solution for young men (18-26) who are continuing their education while beginning a life journey in substance addiction recovery. More than a dozen young adults have called Aaron's house "home," and they find life in the neighborhood to be a substantial benefit to their recovery. Being just a block from the lake, the guys have used a canoe to

catch fish and to host a fish fry at the house. They ride bikes to most destinations. A bus stop at the nearby corner means that longer trips are not an issue.

Yes, healthy recreation and employment opportunities are right in the neighborhood!

Life is good in Tenney-Lapham and we are pleased to be a part of the neighborhood.

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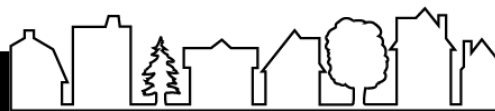
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Do You Like to Reread Your Favorite Books?

I've been reading *Gone With the Wind*. It's a 700+ page book and I've been enjoying it. Several friends, when they learned what I was reading, said they had read the book many times. My response? Read a 700+ page book over and over? You have got to be kidding.

So I sent the word out to some neighborhood readers asking their views on rereading.

From David Wallner

Reread an old book? Not me. There are thousands of books I still haven't gotten to. The only time I did much rereading was as an English teacher. I think I read *To Kill a Mockingbird*, *Inherit the Wind* and *Animal Farm* about ten times each over 34 years of teaching. Now it's time to catch up on my reading stack.

From Lauren Bern

I cannot justify rereading while I have such stores of wanna-reads squashed under massive flops of gotta-reads. I enjoy looking up favorite passages, usually to share with a friend. A broad exception to not rereading is children's books. I cannot imagine NOT

reading most of our favorite children's books over and over again. So many multisensory memories of Bell Bern crawlers and toddlers. Emma still pulls out stacks of her old favorites.

From Karen Crossley

I rarely reread books only because there are too many new ones I'd like to read.

From Jean Dunn

After reading a great book, I often think to start it again because I don't want to leave it or I know I'd gain a greater understanding, but I don't. I will seek out others who have read the book to talk about it. There are so many books to read, that's why. I do reread children's books from Lapham students' suggestions and excitement.

From John Bell

I don't remember ever having read any books a second time. For me there are just too many good books to read them again, but I often read other books by the same writer.

From Jeannette Deloya

There are a handful of books that I have re-read a number of times, and not

until I got this email did I think about what is it that draws me back to them... They are mostly books that I read first as a child, again as a teenager, and then again in college and adulthood. I am quite confident that I have not yet put any of them aside for good.

These are the stories that come to mind:

To Kill a Mockingbird, Harper Lee, first published in 1960

Harriet the Spy, Louise Fitzhugh, first published in 1964

Nobody's Boy, Hector Malot, first published in 1916 (translated from French)

What's the draw? Why re-read these particular books?:

For me, these three stories, in particular, are the equivalent of literary comfort food - and I find my return to their familiar and warm (and worn) pages is like visiting old friends. With the exception of *To Kill a Mockingbird*, they are not necessarily stellar works of literature. The reason I re-read them has more to do with my relationship to them. They all feature children - Scout, Harriet and Remi - of about 10 or so. There are elements of differences, social isolation and awakening that run throughout the stories, where children experience the loss of innocence, eventually to be replaced with a developing sense of integrity and identity. I find it interesting that this transition from innocence, through loss, and to integrity and identity is not exclusive to childhood, adolescence and young adulthood. Maybe there are still lessons to be gleaned from their pages, as this process of learning and growing continues throughout life.

Thanks for the opportunity to remember them once again...I just found *Nobody's Boy* and *Harriet the Spy* online, in their entirety, downloadable for free... Think I'll just look 'em over one more time.

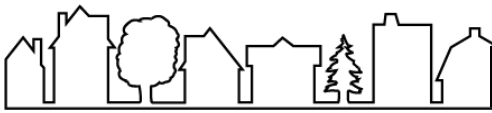
- Jean Dunn and Ann Rulseh

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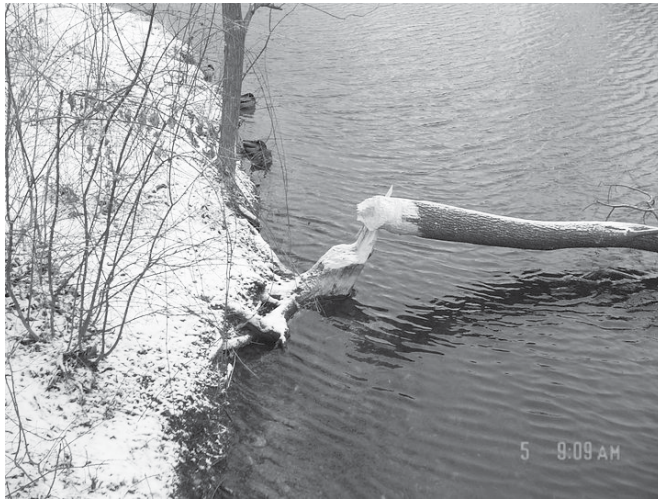


Neighborhood News and Notes

Redistricting – this is a consequential neighborhood event that has gone mostly under the radar. There were a few comments on the list serve, no discussion at neighborhood council meetings. Redistricting involves the city redrawing the boundaries of each district, as necessary, to make equal the number of people represented by the Alder, based on the new census data. The question for Tenney-Lapham is: Do we want to move the boundary East or West? My vote is to “Go West”. After all, we are an Isthmus neighborhood and a Downtown neighborhood. Your input can be sent to bgrady@cityofmadison.com. The council will vote in July.

Wisconsin Winter – On Saturdays during February and March large numbers of Tenney-Lapham neighbors walked up Mifflin Street to join other protesters at the Capitol. By any reckoning there was an uprising taking place. State government changes being proposed were causing a political chill that felt like a funeral for Wisconsin: Walker’s Wisconsin would be cold, bleak and poor, not at all like the comforting place we have known. This caused in those at the capitol a feeling of desolation that was gripping and palpable. Even so, there was light and life in the eyes, and hope in the heart of Wisconsin people coming together to resist. Inside the capitol was brimming with people power. Still, events taken place at the capitol were to behold, and then evaluated, as to how much it takes to change what those in power can do.

Beavers – have been spotted in Tenney-Park. They have been busy as a beaver. They came into the park, apparently planning to dam the lagoon. They’re the kind of creature that look



*Beaver damage in Tenney Park
Photo by Carol Weidel*

each other in the eye, and ask “why not”. By late winter they had already felled a couple of trees.

Beavers were hunted nearly into extinction by early American fur traders. Beaver fur became very valuable when fashionable European men began to wear beaver hats. As a result, fur trading beaver pelts significantly influenced early Wisconsin history.

Beavers are known as environmental engineers because they like coming into an area and changing the habitat. (Do we know any other creature that likes to do that?) They construct a series of dams to raise water levels resulting in what has become famously known as a beaver pond. They use the pond to swim

rather than walk when searching for food.

We city dwellers feel very romantic when wild life returns and dwells in our midst. It’s true in this case and it’s a wonderful feeling. But it’s only puppy love.

Breese Stevens – is the home field of our local soccer team the Madison 56ers, an amateur team now, and soon to be professional. They applied for a permit to sell beer at their games. That’s good news. Breese is a beautiful and renowned soccer field. Neighbors will be able to enjoy a soccer game and sip on a beer from Dane County Brewery. Now, that’s how to while away a warm summer evening.

Breese Stevens was originally a baseball stadium and drew huge neighborhood crowds clinging to the fences to see the game. Then it happened. The crack of Babe Ruth’s bat meant a base clearing home run. Soon other batters started swinging for the fences and Breese Stevens became too small for baseball. But that’s all right; it’s a perfect place for soccer.

- Joe Brogan

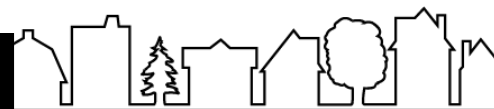


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Neighborhood Supports “Lights of Learning”

In the early part of December, we sent out, through the TLNA list-serve, an appeal to you, our neighbors, to join us in supporting an innovative pilot project which is called “Lights for Learning”. It will provide solar lights to school age children in Nyamagabe, Rwanda.

The context for this project: Only 2% of the homes in Nyamagabe have electricity. In other words, 98% of the populace relies on sooty oil lamps or no light at all after 6pm. It means that school children do not study at night, and most families are not able to see each other’s faces during the evening meal.

I am happy to report that we raised over \$73,000 which will provide more than enough money to fund the pilot project. **Thank you to those of you who participated in this endeavor.**

How did this come about? More than one door has unexpectedly swung open for this project to move forward. Here are the main points from my perspective:

First door- through a series of unlikely events, a member of Christ Church, David, finds himself unexpectedly accompanying his daughter Natalie on a Vision Trip to Nyamagabe. After returning from that trip, while out riding his bicycle, David, an engineer, ponders how to get light into the homes of our sponsored children so that they can study after the sun goes down. He comes back from biking inspired to do some internet

research on solar lighting.

Second door. After lots of research, David discovers that there are lights on the commercial market that recharge themselves using small solar panels. He begins to Skype our good friend Ananias over in Rwanda and ask him about the possibility of providing solar lights to our sponsored children.

Third door. David discovers that the World Bank is holding a conference on solar lights in Nairobi, Kenya. He is able to attend; so is Ananias; so they go together- provided with funding from Christ Church’s Christian Witness Commission and several other members of CPC.

Fourth door. While in Nairobi, Ananias and David not only meet the manufacturers of the two best (most durable) solar lights, but also a young woman who has already implemented a solar light program in Uganda. She willingly shares her invaluable experience. (FYI- She was born in Middleton, WI)

Fifth door. After hearing how other programs successfully got solar lights into households, Ananias suggests forming small accountability groups of families through the local schools and having each family pay on installment.

Sixth door. About this time, World Vision US reorganizes and our new Area Rep, Michael, comes to town to reestablish ties with Christ Church.

Coincidentally, David has just finished a draft of the proposal. Astonishingly, it turns out that Michael is one of the key people who evaluates new initiatives for World Vision US to consider. Michael reads David’s proposal, gets excited about it and tells us to have World Vision Rwanda propose it to World Vision US. Long story short. It gets approved and World Vision US formally requests that Christ Church raise \$65,000 to fund the pilot project (year 1); World Vision US will fund the project in years 2 and 3 which will expand to include all children enrolled in school in the Nyamagabe area.

Seventh door. It is around Thanksgiving time and David talks to lots of people about fundraising. Lots of thoughtful discussion happens. An anonymous donor (FYI-not from our church and a Muslim) comes forth to pledge up to \$30,000 as a match for any money that we can raise before December 31, 2010. We are dumbfounded. We begin to ask others to join with us. We send out a mailing to the sponsors of our children in Nyamagabe. We send out an e-mail request to you all in Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood. We ask members of Christ Church. The Session of Christ Church decides to dedicate the offering taken on Christmas Eve to this project.

Eighth door. The generosity pours in. We raise over \$38,000 in those four weeks and our mystery donor decides to give us \$35,000 as a match. We have exceeded our goal. God is good.

Ninth door. Although this idea came to David (and he put in many hours of research, travelling, questioning and shaping the proposal), it took root in lots of others to help this work grow. In fact, it took us all.

And this is the beginning, not the end, for World Vision US will learn from this project and begin others like

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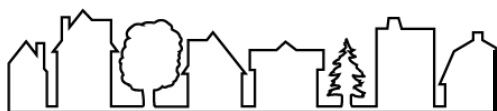
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Home Security Checklist

Use this as a guide as you check your home for safety measures. Boxes marked “no” indicate areas where you could take action to improve your home’s security. These are just some of the steps you can take to decrease the likelihood that you or your home is targeted.

Exterior Doors

Yes No

All doors are locked at night and every time we leave the house—even if it’s just for a few minutes. ☐ ☐

Doors are solid hardwood or metal-clad. ☐ ☐

Doors feature wide-angle peepholes at heights everyone can use. ☐ ☐

If there are glass panels in or near our doors, they are reinforced in some way so that they cannot be shattered. ☐ ☐

All entryways have a working, keyed entry lock and sturdy deadbolt lock installed into the frame of the door. ☐ ☐

Spare keys are kept with a trusted neighbor, not under a doormat or planter, on a ledge, or in the mailbox. ☐ ☐

Garage and Sliding Door Security

The door leading from the attached garage to the house is solid wood or metal-clad and protected with a quality keyed door lock and deadbolt. ☐ ☐

The overhead garage door has a lock so that we do not rely solely on the automatic door opener to provide security. ☐ ☐

Garage doors are all locked when leaving the house. ☐ ☐

The sliding glass door has a strong, working key locks. ☐ ☐

A dowel or a pin to secure a glass door has been installed to prevent the door from being shoved aside or lifted off the track. ☐ ☐

The sliding door is locked every night and each time we leave the house. ☐ ☐

Protecting Windows

Every window in the house has a working key lock or is securely pinned. ☐ ☐

Windows are always locked, even when they are opened a few inches for ventilation. ☐ ☐

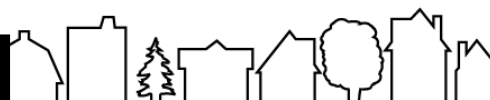
Outdoor Security

Shrubs and bushes are trimmed so there is no place for someone to hide. ☐ ☐

There are no dark areas around our house, garage, or yard at night that would hide prowlers. ☐ ☐

Every outside door has a bright, working light to illuminate visitors. ☐ ☐

Safety



- Floodlights are used appropriately to ensure effective illumination. ☐ ☐
- Outdoor lights are on in the evening—whether someone is at home or not or a photocell or motion-sensitive lighting system has been installed. ☐ ☐
- Our house number is clearly displayed so police and other emergency vehicles can find the house quickly. ☐ ☐

Security When Away From Home

Yes No

- At least two light timers have been set to turn the lights on and off in a logical sequence, when we are away from home for an extended time period. ☐ ☐
- The motion detector or other alarm system (if we have one) has been activated when we leave home. ☐ ☐
- Mail and newspaper deliveries have been stopped or arrangements for a neighbor/friend to pick them up have been made when we go away from home for a period of time. ☐ ☐
- A neighbor has been asked to tend the yard and watch our home when we are away. ☐ ☐

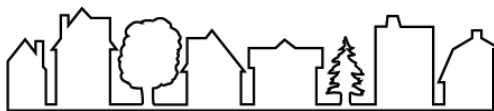
Outdoor Valuables and Personal Property

Yes No

- Gate latches, garage doors, and shed doors are all locked with high-security, laminated padlocks. ☐ ☐
- Gate latches, garage doors, and shed doors are locked after every use. ☐ ☐
- Grills, lawn mowers, and other valuables are stored in a locked garage or shed, or if left out in the open, are hidden from view with a tarp and securely locked to a stationary point. ☐ ☐
- Every bicycle is secured with a U-bar lock or quality padlock and chain. ☐ ☐
- Bikes are always locked, even if we leave them for just a minute. ☐ ☐
- Firearms are stored unloaded and locked in storage boxes and secured with trigger guard locks. ☐ ☐
- Valuable items, such as television, stereos, and computers have been inscribed with identifying number approved by local police. ☐ ☐
- Our home inventory is up-to-date and includes pictures. A complete copy is kept somewhere out of the house. ☐ ☐

Madison 56ers Home Games at Breese Stevens Stadium

Friday	June 10	7:30 PM	against Latino All Stars
Saturday	June 25	7:00 PM	against St Paul Twin Stars
Sunday	June 26	3:00 PM	against Minnesota Kings
Friday	July 8	7:30 PM	against MSA All-Stars
Saturday	July 9	7:00 PM	against Scott Gallagher
Saturday	July 16	7:00 PM	against Milwaukee Bavarians
Saturday	July 23	7:00 PM	against Croatian Eagles U23



Neighborhood Meeting Planned for Don Miller Proposals



Dear Neighbors,

It's been an unprecedented spring in politics. I am proud to have been re-elected to

serve the neighborhood as your alder. Additionally in April, Mayor Paul Soglin was elected to a third stint as mayor for the City of Madison. While a very frustrating and difficult budget awaits us, there are still a number of important projects in the neighborhood underway, and unlike many other years, summer will not be a quiet time in city hall or for our neighborhood.

Sherman Avenue is being reconstructed and residents voted by a large margin to install speed humps to reduce traffic speed on the street. The construction will be completed later in the summer and in the mean time I have asked staff of the Parking Utility and Engineering to bag the street sweeping signs in the area until construction is complete to help offset the parking displacement that's occurring.

The three city-owned houses in James Madison Park currently each have a Request for Proposal (RFP) that has gone out for them, due back with proposals by July 7. The surplus committee will then reconvene to vet the proposals and choose a buyer for each property. I will be organizing a neighborhood meeting for residents to give their feedback on the proposals to help inform the surplus committee's decision making process. You may read up on the houses and the city's process in selling the structures (but not the parkland underneath them) at <http://www.cityofmadison.com/>

planning/jmpsplus.html.

RFPs have gone out for the Don Miller holdings that the city acquired this year with \$5 million in land banking funds. Now that the city has acquired the property, the goal is to get it back onto the tax base as soon as possible. The Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood Plan and the Capitol East BUILD Plan (both recently added to and codified in the City's Comprehensive Plan) are being used as the basis and criteria for acceptable development proposals and over this summer proposals will be chosen on the following timeline: Deadline for submittals are Monday, June 13th at noon. Between then and June 28, proposals will be reviewed and chosen. I will be organizing a neighborhood meeting for neighborhood feedback on the proposals that will be submitted for consideration.

From June 29 through July 11 negotiation of sale terms will take place. The resolution for the property's sale will be introduced to the Common Council on June 19 to be sent to a number of committees for review and approval and will come back to the Council for final action on August 2. At that point, developers will spend 4-6 months on having their individual designs approved through the city process, and ground is to be broken on the property for construction in Spring 2012.

The stated site

goals in the RFP are as follows:

- Create a significant intensity and mix of employment, residential and retail development that serves as a catalyst for additional reinvestment within the District.
- Create a series of projects that set a dynamic and high quality architectural tone for future redevelopment efforts in the district.
- Be compatible with and add vitality to the surrounding neighborhoods.
- Bring significant high wage and family-supporting jobs to the District.
- Create a development that maximizes and propels the rebirth of Breese Stevens Field into a lively community destination. Proposals should show how redevelopment projects on the 800 North Site would relate to a greater utilization of Breese Stevens Field and how shared

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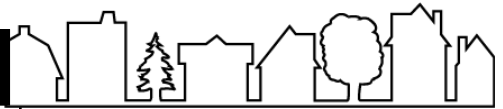


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parking could be accommodated on this Site.

- Create development consistent with guidelines in Urban Design District #8.
- Maximize green building principles and implement sustainability systems on blocks and district-wide to the extent possible (see below)
- Create development consistent with the Capitol Gateway Corridor BUILD plan

You may view the RFP at <http://www.cityofmadison.com/business/documents/RFPPredev700800Block-EWash.pdf>

I will want significant neighborhood feedback on the proposals brought forward. This is the future of our neighborhood, and the timeline is moving quickly on this.

Due to the impacts of the State Budget and other legislation by the Wisconsin State Legislature, some details of which are shifting on a near-daily basis, the City of Madison stands to have a budget shortfall of some \$27 million. While many details are yet unknown, this will be very possibly the worst budget in the city's history. While usually the city's budget process starts in September, The City Council and Mayor have already started holding budget meetings. The process and format for public input is not yet finalized at the time I write this, but much of June will be a public input process to start getting a sense of what the priorities of citizens are. Thanks to the Governor and the Legislature, we are unable to increase

tax levels to fund our city's existing level of services. Additionally, under state law, we cannot modify existing staffing levels to our Police & Fire Agencies, who's budgets comprise nearly 50% of the City's operating expenses, which means that other agencies such as planning, streets, parks, community services and others will be required to make up the shortfall. For some departments, that could mean operating budget cuts upwards of 35%.

The Wisconsin State Journal summarized the situation in an article by Dean Mosiman on May 20 (you can find it at <http://tinyurl.com/3r6e8j9>). I will not sugarcoat the situation. There will be awful, heartbreaking cuts unlike anything we've faced before. Please be engaged and contact me with your priorities for how the city spends its limited resources.

On a personal note, I'll be traveling out of state for a conference with the Young Elected Officials Network in Washington DC and to visit personal friends and family from June 1 through June 12. I will be available by email and phone, but will not be in the city to attend meetings or meet with constituents.

May the warmth of summer and the strength of our neighborhood fuel us into the fall and all that it will bring.

- Alder Bridget Maniaci

(Lights of Learning from page 17)

it around the world. We are part of a great seed of hope- providing light so our children in Rwanda can begin to study at night and deepen their learning and growing.

We are thankful for all of you that have joined with us to fund this project. It will truly make a huge difference in the lives of many children in Rwanda and, we hope, be the springboard to influence the lives of many more children worldwide.

Thanks. Peace.

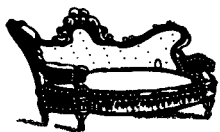
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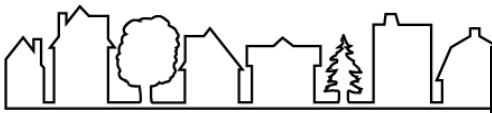
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Redistricting on the County Board Agenda



Redistricting is the process of redrawing the lines of districts from which county supervisors are elected.

The boundaries for County Board districts will be adjusted based on population changes that have occurred over the last decade in accordance with the results of the census conducted in 2010. Through the redistricting process, the population within each supervisory district will be equalized so that residents across the County have equal representation on the Board of Supervisors.

At its April 27, 2011 meeting, the Redistricting Subcommittee of the Executive Committee recommended that the County Board retain 37 supervisory districts, with a target population of 13,191 in each district. Districts contained an average of 11,528 residents after the 2000 census, so there has been significant growth in the last ten years. The subcommittee recommended approval of Supervisor Plan 37B, which can be viewed on the county's website: http://pdf.countyofdane.com/board/draft/Plan37B_Dane_v4.pdf. The Madison area

districts are shown more clearly on this map: http://pdf.countyofdane.com/board/draft/Plan37B_Madison_v4.pdf.

The redistricting subcommittee held a public input session on Wednesday, May 4 at the Sun Prairie City Hall. At this meeting, the members of the Redistricting Subcommittee, which includes county supervisors as well as citizen representatives, accepted public testimony and discussed concerns with interested citizens and municipal officials.

The full County Board held the formal public hearing on the tentative supervisory plan at the County Board meeting on May 5th. Citizens had the opportunity to present testimony to the entire County Board on the tentative supervisory plan.

There are relatively small changes on Map 37B for District 2. The district will keep the entirety of the Old Market Place neighborhood, Tenney Lapham neighborhood and Emerson East neighborhood with its boundaries expanding both to the east and west from the existing boundaries. Mansion Hill neighborhood out to Wisconsin Avenue will be added westerly to the district and Eken Park neighborhood will be extended easterly to the district in the area surrounded by Commercial Avenue, McCormick Street to Aberg Avenue and East Washington Avenue.

The County Board continues to have more discussions with a few municipalities before having it return to the County Board for final approval. After the County Board's approval the plan will be circulated to all municipalities for review and municipalities can then draw ward boundaries. The County Board will consider municipal input and approve a final plan in the fall. The approved final map will then be used for the next decade.

As always, if you have any questions or comments regarding the redistricting or any other county related matter, you can contact me at Vedder.barbara@countyofdane.com or 249-8428.

- Barbara Vedder

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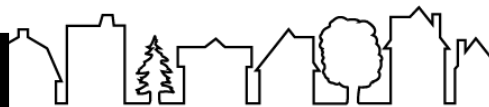
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1133 E Mifflin	1048	\$189,900
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841 Prospect	1944	\$355,000
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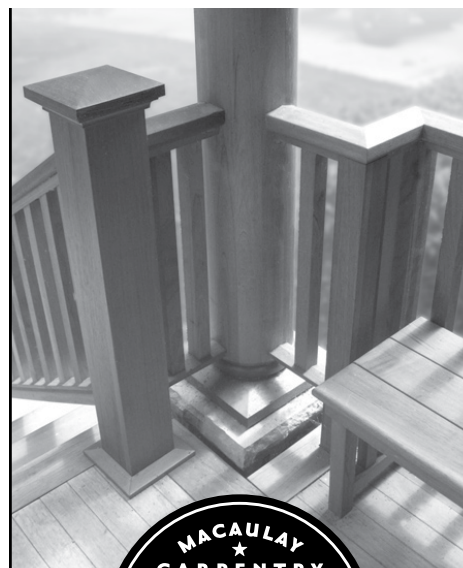
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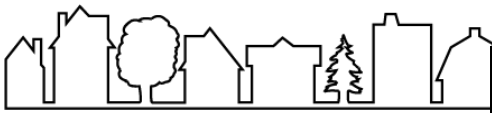
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