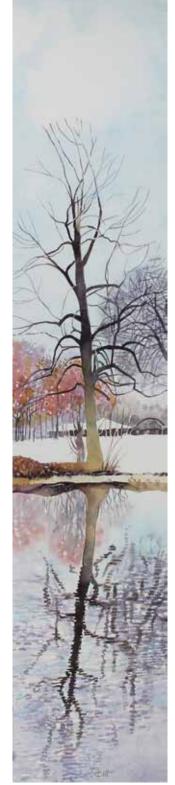


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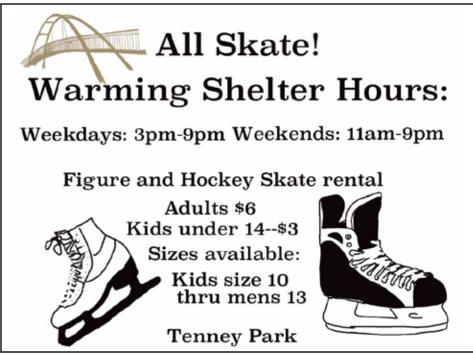
# Turn On, Jam On, Rock On East Johnson Street!

Say, did anyone notice that East Johnson Street was reconstructed this summer? Well, the businesses in the neighborhood sure did! Beginning at the end of March, there were lane closures for utility work followed by months and months of no buses, no bike lane, a single lane of traffic, no sidewalks at times, and lots of noise, dust and several large yellow machines making beeping sounds. The city tried to prepare us for it with months and months of meetings to discuss the various phases of their plans for the street, but, in the end, nothing can really prepare anyone for something of this magnitude. Fortunately, current TLNA president Patty Prime had calmly submitted an application for a grant from the city that supplied funds to hire Nik Simonson. Nik coordinated publicity, event planning, and marketing to help the neighborhood businesses through

the ordeal of construction. He also facilitated the revitalization, rebranding and expansion of the neighborhood business association.

The campaign was called Turn On Johnson (TOJ), a title chosen to counteract peoples' natural impulse to avoid the mess on our street. Nik worked closely with a small group of business owners and neighbors on the campaign. Early on, the TOJ steering committee reached out to Mayor Soglin, who toured the business district with Alder Zellers, returned to shop in the neighborhood during construction, and presided over the street-reopening celebration on November 14th. Corey Dane, of Yelp Madison, worked closely with the TOJ steering committee to help plan and sponsor the celebration, which was called Jam On Johnson.

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# **President's Report**





What makes a neighbor-

hood a neighborhood? The TLNA listserv has been alive with ideas about what is and what is not a neighborhood. Tenney-

Lapham has many elements that help us feel connected: parks, school, small businesses where you're greeted by name. There is nothing like biking up the bike boulevard and waving to the people you know. I look forward to the not-far-away day that I can bike to a full service grocery store in just a few minutes. Doesn't a call to meet at 6:00 for a Halloween parade on the listserv ring like the sound of a neighborhood? Or to meet for community night at one of our restaurants?

We are lucky to find ourselves here where those connections spring up, but there is more that you can do. We can take little actions that build on that momentum, that give us more of that neighborhood feeling. There was an article recently circulated on the listserv (btw, you can join the TLNA listserv at https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/ tlna/info) that lists 16 ways to improve your neighborhood. Here are just a few:

### Go for a walk

I met a reporter this summer whose professor assigned her to walk six blocks in the area where she was reporting. It gave her a feeling for place that she didn't have before. When you walk around in your neighborhood, you help other people feel safer, more welcome. Smile and nod at them!

### Traffic calming

East Johnson Street has bump-outs now on many of the blocks that were rebuilt. There are new signs that tell drivers how fast they are driving. A mid-block crosswalk is planned for the middle of the 800 block of East Johnson Street. A bike boulevard committee is considering ways to slow traffic on East Mifflin Street. When drivers have more to see, like a narrower road, they slow down. Slower traffic is more than just a safety feature, it makes the whole area feel more walkable, more like a neighborhood, less like a throughway and more like a destination.

So what can we do? Slow down, drive the speed limit, walk, and bike. Advocate with the city or through TLNA for programs that promote traffic calming, biking, and safety. Let's figure out ways to safely cross East Washington Avenue.

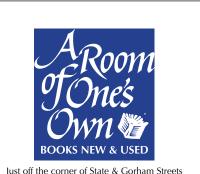
### Placemaking

The city planning department has a grant program that awards money for projects that do "placemaking". A year ago I could not tell you what placemaking is and I'm still not sure if I can define it. Here is the official (Google) definition: "Placemaking is a multi-faceted approach to the planning, design, and management of public spaces. Placemaking capitalizes on a local community's assets, inspiration, and potential, with the intention of creating public spaces that promote people's health, happiness, and well being." Got that?

Given that, I would guess that a park is a perfect example of placemaking. Community gardens are placemaking. Among the 16 ways to make a neighborhood is a story of a man who put a bench in front of his house and neighbors came by to ask what it was for. It became a place that people stopped by to talk, to sit, and just relax. The Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood Association is trying out a small grant program this year, designed to help us meet more of us! You can learn more about it on page 8.

I'd love to keep the conversation going. What makes a neighborhood a place you want to be, to find a home, to spend your time? There was an article in December about Salvatore's Tomato Pies opening that quoted owner Patrick DePula, "We totally love the sense of community at Johnson Street." Now that's what we like to hear!

- Patty Prime TLNA President



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# Neighborhood Throws a Party to Mark Reconstruction End



I hope everyone had a lovely holiday season filled with family and friends... since by the time you get this we have started the new year. I am currently enjoying our Christmas

tree and looking forward to holiday plans!

There is a lot going on in district 2... as seems to always be the case. Following are some highlights.

### **Reynolds Crane Lot**

We have had a change in developer for this property. T. Wall Enterprises, as the new developer for this important neighborhood block, shared an overview of his ideas at a neighborhood meeting on December 3, 2014. He indicated he is looking at "capturing the architecture of the neighborhood", mentioning use of gables and bay windows with that intent in mind. There is still significant work to be done, including meetings with the neighborhood steering committee as well as going through the city review process. The preliminary concept he shared at the meeting includes a parking level under the full development, which will be partially above grade (due to the high water table) and 3-4 stories of apartments to include a mix of studios, 1-, 2- and some 3-bedroom units. Patrick Heck, the new chair of the TLNA Development Committee will be sending out information on steering committee meetings for this project. If the project is approved, Mr. Wall hopes to begin construction in the May – July timeframe with opening 12 months later. He noted he is considering doing the construction in two phases.

### The Galaxie (800 Block of East Washington)

By the time you read this, the pile driving will be done...and other parts of the construction will be underway. Negotiations are ongoing with new retail/restaurant/office tenants. Given the great quality of tenants at the Constellation...we expect some more wonderful additions to the neighborhood as part of the Galaxie. While the majority of the living units will be apartments, the marketing of the condos planned along E. Mifflin is expected to start in January. As of this writing, the project is on schedule (Thanksgiving shopping 2015 still planned at Festival Food!).

### East Johnson Street Reconstruction

Many of us enjoyed a ribbon cutting and celebration of the reopening of Johnson Street at Jam on Johnson on November 14. The businesses on the street threw a fantastic party which was well attended by neighbors as well as others outside the 'hood. There was great food, drink, music and beautiful displays to help us kick off our holiday shopping! There will be some minor cleanup type projects in the spring, such as some terrace repair and sidewalk work. Many thanks to the businesses, to the people who made the Turn On Johnson Campaign a success, to the workers who listened and helped make things go as smoothly as they could, and to neighbors who supported our businesses during this difficult time. Also, kudos to all in the neighborhood for getting through this major inconvenience while retaining an upbeat attitude!

### **District 2 Restaurant Update**

### 912 E. Johnson – Salvatore's Tomato Pies

The grand opening occurred on December 16, 2014. So by the time you read this you may have already sampled their pizza...several times!

### 1344 E. Washington – Pasqual's

Pasqual's Southwestern Cantina is planned to open March 1, 2015.

### 827 E. Gorham

I reported in the last newsletter that a demolition permit and design for a new building were approved for a duplex at 827 E. Gorham St. Since that time the developer has abandoned the project and has put the property on the market. Because of the poor condition of the property, in mid-November the Madison Building Inspection department issued a notice to repair or demolish.

### 1200-1212 E. Washington and 9-13 N. Few

The McGrath Property Group is proposing a development for 1200-1212 E. Washington Avenue and 9-13 N. Few Street. The developer is looking at two options: three stories with demolition of the American Auto building, Mad Motors and the Patriot Glass building, or four stories with a step back at the rear and retention of the front half of the Patriot Glass building for a restaurant, bar or brewpub. The new building is proposed to have 70-80 units of market rate housing, a fitness room, and one level of below grade parking with approximately 74 parking stalls and some office space on the first floor.

### 800 South Block E. Washington

On November 8, the Capitol East District Committee recommended that Otto Gebhardt's proposal for the 800 South Block move forward. The Gebhardt team has until April 2015 to

# **Alder's Report**

submit site plans and financial data. The proposal includes StartingBlock (to include gener8tor, Capital Entrepreneurs and Sector67), T Presents (a 1500 capacity performing arts venue), as well as office, educational and retail uses in a 10- to 12-story building with a 425-stall parking structure. Once plans are submitted, they will be reviewed by city committees, the public and the Common Council. The 2015 adopted Capital budget allocated \$1.5M for Starting Block of which \$500K was from the surrounding Tax Incremental District.

### **Central Park**

Alder Marsha Rummel and I will be organizing a community meeting to review the first year of Central Park operation. It is planned to be on March 10, 2015. The place and time are yet to be finalized...stay tuned. At the meeting we will review input received from East Isthmus neighbors, event organizers and Parks staff and get input on possible conditions unique to Central Park. Parks staff will attend.

### 1000 North Block E. Washington

On November 7, Steve Cover, City Planning Director, sent a letter to Stone House Development to inform them that city staff could not support their mixed use proposal because of the size of the music venue proposed by Frank Productions. In spite of efforts to find parking solutions, planning and traffic engineering staff concluded the proposed 2,500 capacity music venue would have a significant adverse impact on the Tenney-Lapham neighborhood. The letter supported the potential for a music venue elsewhere in the Capital East District but not at the proposed location and stated the project could not meet conditional use standards nor meet the standards for Tax Incremental Financing. The other proposed uses in the project (affordable and market rate housing on E Mifflin, the relocation

of Red Caboose day care and a 6-story commercial office building) were affirmed as a good use for the site. We will have to wait and see if Stone House proposes an altered development.

### Madison Public Market District

The City of Madison is making progress on the Madison Public Market District slated to be in the area of E. Washington and First Street if appropriate property can be secured. The vision is to create a multi-use district featuring a mix of retail and wholesale food sales as well as food processing and potentially arts & craft sales, community uses, and events. A placemaking workshop was held on October 28, 2014 at the Wall Pavilion in Tenney Park to visit possible sites and gather ideas regarding use and development. The City budget for 2015 requires that the market's business plan be vetted and approved prior to any purchase of property.

### Let's Eat Out! Proposed Concert series

Slide Food Cart/Let's Eat Out is proposing a concert series accompanied by availability of food from a variety of food carts at Burr Jones Field in 2015. The requested dates include June 21 and 28; July 5 and September 27. This proposal is scheduled to be heard by the Parks Commission on January 14, 2015.

### Tenney Park Playground and Lagoon

The City of Madison will be replacing the playground equipment at the Tenney Park Beach in 2015. There was a public input meeting regarding the playground replacement on October 15, 2014. Staff will use the input gathered at that meeting to develop two playground concepts that will be presented at a second meeting on January 13, 2015 at 6:00 pm, at the Tenney Park Apartments located at 302 N. Baldwin Street.

City Engineering and City Parks are planning a 2015 project to stabilize and

restore the shorelines around Tenney Lagoon. The project will address erosion both on the mainland shoreline and the island shoreline. Additionally, the bike path through Tenney Park will be reconstructed. The City is currently in the planning phases for this project, which will take place between July and November 2015. A public information meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on January 13, 2015 following the playground equipment meeting, in the Tenney Park Apartments.

### **Out of District 2**

### Judge Doyle Square

At the December 2 City Council meeting a motion was passed to issue a revised Request for Proposals (RFP) for the proposed Judge Doyle Square project. This is the area located behind the Madison Municipal Building and on the block occupied by the Capitol East Parking Ramp. The majority of the Council felt the process should be reopened to other developers because the project concept (particularly the hotel portion) had changed significantly due to concerns about city costs. The Mayor and city staff expect to have a new RFP ready for council review in January. The initial concept was for a 311-room. fullservice hotel with a 250-room block for Monona Terrace. This was scaled back to a 200- to 250-room hotel with a shift from a full-service hotel, to an "urban mixed-use hotel".

### Your Voice

I continue to hear from a number of you. I appreciate that. I value your ideas and opinions. Phone, email or in-person all work.

-Alder Ledell Zellers district2@cityofmadison.com 608 417 9521 To subscribe to District 2 updates go to: http://www. cityofmadison.com/council/ district2/

# **Development**

# **Committee Seeks Neighborhood Input on Proposals**

As many of you know, one of the Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood Association's responsibilities is evaluating proposals in our neighborhood that developers plan to submit for City approval. The TLNA, developers and the City work together in a collaborative process that is designed to result in positive outcomes for all involved.

This year, I've volunteered to be the Chair of TLNA's Development Committee, so will be coordinating many of the opportunities that neighbors will have for giving feedback on proposals. Fortunately for the neighborhood, longtime Development Chair David Waugh, is staying involved when his schedule permits. TLNA is lucky to have access to his expertise.

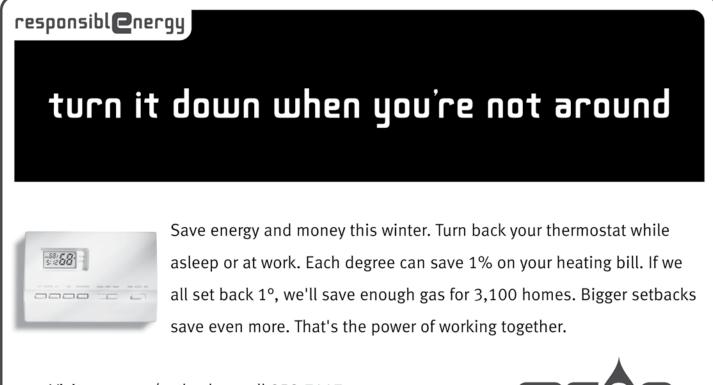
TLNA development protocol can be illustrated by looking at the cur-

rent development project proposed by T. Wall Enterprises on the E. Mifflin Reynolds Crane Lot. As mentioned by Alder Zellers in this same newsletter, this proposal for about 196 apartments with parking underneath is just starting to wend its way through TLNA and City processes.

As is typical, a neighborhood-wide meeting was first held with neighbors giving early feedback after the developer presented drawings and described the first version of their proposal. After that meeting, a Steering Committee was formed, made up of neighborhood volunteers who expressed an interest in working with TLNA and the developer. Now the real work begins...

The Steering Committee will meet with the developer to delve further into proposal details, provide feedback, and to discuss any neighborhood concerns. This feedback can consist of both positive and negative opinions, with the Committee and the Developer addressing any issues as best they can. The process can play out over several meetings - for example, the Committee could ask for some design change and, if the developer agrees, their architect might need to redo some drawings and present the revisions at a future meeting or via email.

This give and take process can sometimes wrap up within a couple of meetings, but if larger issues come up, more meetings can be scheduled. It is important to understand that not all neighbors' desires can be accommodated, nor is a developer's first proposal likely to remain unchanged. Typically, by the end of the Committee's deliberations, an



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# Development

improved development proposal results with the neighborhood, developer and City in a win-win situation.

City Planning Department staff and our Alder attend the Steering Committee meetings when their schedules allow. Both provide expert advice, helping the Committee and developer understand the impact of any changes with respect to zoning, the TLNA Neighborhood Plan, and other city planning requirements.

The end product of the Steering Committee is usually a report of summary findings, including information on how the proposal has evolved and any remaining concerns/issues. On occasion, a Steering Committee will also make a recommendation to the full TLNA Council. Depending on the committee's findings, the recommendation can be for the project to move forward, to move forward with conditions, to be rejected or to take a neutral stance. The objective of issuing a summary report and/or recommendation is to educate the full TLNA Council so they can subsequently cast informed votes when considering those same options for registering their opinion of the proposal.

Once the full TLNA Council makes a recommendation concerning a proposal, an official summary letter is sent to any city entities that will be considering the proposal. That letter can go to some combination of the Urban Design Commission, Joint Review Board, Landmarks Commission, Plan Commission, and Common Council. The entities at which the project will appear are determined by the underlying zoning and other project details/requirements.

As you can imagine, this entire process can be time- and energy-consuming, but it allows you and your neighbors to guide the evolution of Tenney-Lapham



while simultaneously helping those who want to invest in our future.

Please visit the TLNA's development website where you can keep up on the various projects that we are considering: <u>http://www.danenet.org/tlna/development.html</u>

There you'll also find contact information, so feel free to email me your thoughts on any development proposal. The Steering Committee will compile those communications and report them to the TLNA Council. I hope to hear from you and see you a meeting in the near future!

- Patrick Heck

**TLNA Development Chair** 





# Community

# Money is Available to Support Neighborhood Events and Activities

Starting in 2015, the TLNA will allocate \$500 to support neighborhood events and activities. Maybe you'd like to fund a picnic in Reynolds Park for neighbors or an ultimate frisbee competition open to Tenney-Lapham neighbors. Innovative ideas are welcome to encourage neighborhood connectivity. Any TLNA member can apply to receive funds from \$50-\$100 to support your neighborhood event.

### **TLNA Neighborhood Events Grant Application**

TLNA Neighborhood Grants help sponsor neighborhood events that foster positive neighbor interaction. Please complete the application and mail to: TLNA, PO Box 703, Madison, WI 53701. You can also find the application on our website: http://www.danenet.org/tlna/ aboutTLNA.html and email your application to tlna.newsletter@gmail.com and put in the subject line: Attn. TLNANeighborhood Events Grant. You will be contacted if your grant is approved by the budget committee.

A few things to keep in mind:

- All TLNA grant-sponsored events must be open to all TLNA residents.
- TLNA must be allowed to promote and collect memberships at your event.
- Requests for funding can be between \$50 -\$100; requests over \$100 will be considered but are dependent on available funds.
- Events must comply with the TLNA purpose to improve the neighborhood through democratic citizen participation and involvement.
- Political campaign events will not be funded.
- If approved, all receipts for reimbursement must be submitted to the treasurer 30- 60 days after your event.
- If approved, please include on promotional material: "This event is partially
  - sponsored by the Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood Association."

Name:

Address:

Are you a TLNA Member? Yes No

Title of Event:

Requested funding amount:

Please describe how your event benefits the neighborhood:

Please indicate how you will promote the event:

TLNA Newsletter Article or Announcement (required)

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Please include a summary budget for your event and indicate what the TLNA funding will cover.





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I look forward to continuing to talk with you, sharing ideas about our neighborhoods and earning your vote.

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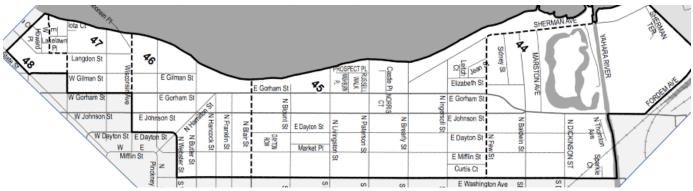
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# Picks and Stones-The Newest Addition to the Neighborhood

You may have noticed there's something going on in the tiny building at 217 N. Paterson, right behind Burnie's Rock Shop on E. Johnson. Picks and Stones has been making Gemstone Guitar Picks for guitarists all over the world for over ten years. It began in 2003 when Johnny Wood was working at Burnie's Rock Shop as a lapidist by day, and playing guitar in a band at night. One day Burnie showed him how to make a guitar pick out of agate, and

after some trial and error he discovered the best pick he had ever used.

"Once you use a well-made gemstone guitar pick, you never want to use a plastic pick again."

He moved back to California to set



up shop in his home and developed his small business and website with his partner at the time. After ten years it was time to come back to Madison where it all began. As chance would have it, he needed a space to set up shop and Burnie's had an extra storage space available in the building next door. After several weeks of clean up and renovations, the first Picks and Stones store opened its doors in late October. Now the neighborhood has a new street, new sidewalks, a new store, and a new neighbor.

Picks and Stones is open from 10am to 6pm daily. Several guitars and amplifiers are available for

testing picks or just having fun. Guitar lessons are offered for children and adults, beginner to advanced players welcome.



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# We're Booked



# A Look at Quirky Reading Habits of your Neighbors!

Let's face it fellow bibliophiles, when it comes to books, we're quirky. Our bookshelves are overflowing. We find it difficult to get rid of any book, even one we didn't particularly enjoy reading. We make strange rules about the order in which we read our books. And once the book gets in our hands, we follow quirky regimens as we proceed to read the book.

We asked our reading neighbors to share with us their quirky behaviors. See if you can relate.

### Olivia

I read ahead if I'm worried about a character. Sometimes I read the last page before finishing the book. I read series in order, and I hum while I read.

### John

I have the unhelpful habit of reading books—even bad books—in their entirety, committed to plowing through them whatever the pleasure or content retained in doing so. I probably need a better editor of the titles I choose.

### Madeline

When I begin a new chapter, I page ahead to find the end of the chapter and then I grasp onto the intervening pages for dear life as I read it. It is only when I become totally immersed in an amazing book that I am able to let go. But only until I start the next chapter.

#### Jeannette

I read the flaps after I read the book. I also read reviews after I read the book—especially the books that have me thinking.

### Deb

I don't know if this fits your requirement but I become so focused when I read that when I was a child my mom had my hearing checked because she thought I might be deaf. My husband thought I was just ignoring him but it is just how I read.

Thanks for being the readers you are and for sharing your quirks with us. Have great fun compiling your reading lists for 2015. Happy Holidays! - Jean Dunn and Ann Rulseh

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# Community

# **Emerald Ash Borer is on the Move**

The urban forest we take for granted is under attack. Bugs from one direction, chain saws from another.

Emerald Ash Borer is moving through. Some ash trees will be hit and die, others will be cut down preemptively. It's a complicated situation further complicated by the realities of money and the city budget.

It costs money to cut trees down. It costs money to treat trees with preventative medicines. It also costs money to clean up the mess of a tree that gets sick and falls down. Of course, there isn't enough money to go around.

There are three categories of trees: Trees on private property

Trees on other city property, like along streets

Trees in city parks

### **Private Trees**

The ash trees in yards are up to owners to deal with.

### **City Trees**

The ash trees on city streets cannot be adopted. City Forester Marla Eddy says that about 22% of the city's terrace trees are ash, with a high concentration in older neighborhoods like Tenney-Lapham. Over 40% will be taken down pre-emptively. This is devastating to picture.

The ash trees in the street terraces have been spray painted with yellow dots. On many blocks in the Tenney Lapham neighborhood, nearly every tree has a yellow dot. These trees will be removed within the next five years, according to the city's plan.

Some are being treated with a biannual

trunk injection of emamectin benzoate. The September 2013 "City of Madison Emerald Ash Borer Plan Update" calculates a population of 12,719 economically treatable trees, or 58.27% of the total terrace ash population.

### **Park Trees**

The trees in parks can be adopted if they are considered healthy enough. Adopting a tree means paying for its upkeep. The cost is not set, as it must be done by an approved specialist.

Of the thousands of ash trees located within the City's 260 parks, I was told that "about 15" trees have been adopted. Tenney Park, for example, has 409 ash trees.

At Reynolds Park, where I worked with the Friends group last year to re-

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### Calendar of Events

January 5, 2015 - 7:00 PM - E. Washington/N. Few Steering Committee Meeting – Community Room at Constellation, 10 N. Livingston January 8, 2015 - 7:00 PM - TLNA Council Meeting - Community Room at Constellation, 10 N. Livingston

January 12, 2015 - 7:00 PM - Reynolds Crane Lot Steering Committee Meeting - Community Room at Constellation, 10 N. Livingston

January 13, 2015 - Tenney Apartments, 302 N. Baldwin - Informational Meeting regarding Tenney Park - 6 PM Tenney Beach Playground and 7 PM Tenney Park Shoreline Restoration & Bike Path



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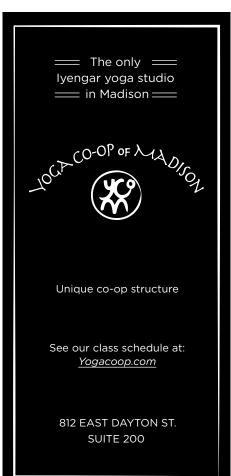
place the play equipment and improve the playground, there are two mature ash trees. We plan to adopt those trees but have been told we must wait until after the trees have leafed out to determine their health before we can be granted permission.

### If not adopted...

Trees that fit one of three criteria will be cut down:

- Tree is structurally compromised or in poor condition
- Tree is located under high voltage electrical distribution line

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• Tree trunk measures less than 10-12" in diameter at 4.5 feet (dbh) from the ground

Madison's approach is considered moderate. Some cities are treating a higher percentage of their ash trees, some are treating fewer.

In Kenya, Wangari Maathai was alarmed by the deforestation of her country and started planting trees. She began what is now the Green Belt Movement and earned the Nobel Peace Prize.

Julia Butterfly Hill camped out in

an ancient redwood tree for 738 days to save it from loggers.

In my opinion, in honor of these women, and the countless, nameless women who have throughout history worked for the betterment of their communities, we need to do all we can to save our trees.

You may contact City Forester Marla Eddy with any questions or concerns (meddy@cityofmadison.com). To connect with neighbors on local efforts to save park trees, email Alder Ledell Zellers (district2@cityofmadison.com).

- Jessica Becker

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### Major Reconstruction to Occur in Tenney Park next Summer Informational Meeting Set for January 13 Help make our neighborhood parks support and lead the efforts. If you are neighborhood feedback and suggestic

Help make our neighborhood parks even better places to play in 2015! There are a variety of opportunities to get involved, share your vision, and help activate our green spaces this coming year. Here are some of the most current park issues and happenings in the Tenney-Lapham neighborhood. Be sure to stay on the lookout for a number of new TLNA events featuring our parks in the new year as well!

### **Emerald Ash Borer**

Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) has hit Madison. Luckily, this invasive pest has not yet spread to the Isthmus, granting us a brief window of opportunity to organize and execute a neighborhood strategy for dealing with the issue. To this extent, we'll be forming a neighborhood committee on EAB to help garner support and lead the efforts. If you are interested in helping out with EAB efforts or serving on the committee, please email me at tylerlark@gmail.com. You can also read more about Emerald Ash Borer in our neighborhood in the article by Jessica Becker on page 12 of this newsletter, or find general information about EAB online at www.emeraldashborer.info.

### **Tenney Beach Playground**

The playground near the beach and bathhouse at Tenney Park is slated for improvement in 2015. City of Madison Parks staff will be holding its second public input meeting at 6pm on January 13, 2015 at the Tenney Park Apartments, 302 N. Baldwin St. At the meeting, staff will present two designs they have come up with for the site and solicit neighborhood feedback and suggestions. *Come share your input and ideas!* For more information on the project, you can contact the City's project manager, Landscape Architect Sarah Lerner, at slerner@cityofmadison.com.

### Tenney Park Shoreline Restoration & Bike Path Replacement

Tenney Park will undergo a significant reconstruction project in summer 2015 to restore the shoreline along the lagoon and replace the bike path along Johnson St. Construction is planned for early July - mid November and will likely require draining the lagoon, closing parts of the park and bike path, and temporarily closing the shelter. The city will be hosting an information session regarding the project at 7pm, January 13, 2015 at Tenney Apartments. This



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immediately follows the playground meeting that same night and will be an opportunity to learn more about the City's initial plans and ask your questions. If you are a nearby resident or frequent user of Tenney Park, *this is a meeting you won't want to miss!* Questions or comments regarding the project can be directed to Sally Swenson from the City of Madison Engineering Division at sswenson@cityofmadison.com.

#### **New Developments = New Funds**

The growing number of developments planned or proposed for our neighborhood also brings a great opportunity for our parks: funding! New residential developments are required to pay park impact fees, which allow the City to help fund park development or improvement associated with the increased population generated. Revenues collected via impact fees are assigned

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Edward Jones Making SENSE OF INVESTING to an impact fee district (ours stretches across the Isthmus and includes the new Central Park), and must be used specifically for improvements in that district. This influx of resources represents an incredible opportunity to invest in our parks for years to come. To this extent, we hope to begin working towards some big ideas and new park improvements right here in our own backyard in 2015.



What do you want to see? What's on your "dream" list of installations, activities, or amenities that you'd love to have in James Madison, Tenney, or any one of our smaller neighborhood parks? Let us know! Come to any TLNA meeting to share your ideas, post your comments to the TLNA listserve, or email me directly at tylerlark@gmail.com.

- Tyler Lark, TLNA Parks Chair



# History

# Breese Stevens Field included on the National Register of Historic Places

Breese Steven Field was accepted for inclusion on the National Register of Historic Places and the Wisconsin State Register of Historic Places by the Wisconsin Historic Preservation Review Board on November 21, 2014. The National Register of Historic Places is the federal government's official list of districts, sites, buildings, structures, and objects deemed worthy of preservation. The following description is from the nomination request form:

"Breese Stevens Municipal Athletic Field is located at 917 East Mifflin Street, just eight blocks east of the Wisconsin State Capitol Building. The field encompasses 4.53 acres of land (an entire city block) in an area which supports 19th and 20th Century residential homes and light industry. It is bound on the south by East Washington Street, on the east by North Brearly Street, on the north by East Mifflin Street, and on the west by North Paterson Street. The most prominent features of the Breese Stevens Municipal Athletic Field is the Cshaped 1925 Claude and Starck canted angled brick grandstand, the 1934 CWA concrete bleachers, and 1934 CWA perimeter stone wall. The grandstand rests within the west, southwest and northwest portions of the field, bordering North Paterson Street. The concrete bleachers extend east from the east facing edge of the grandstand, paralleling East Mifflin Street."

"In 1934, the Civil Works Administration made several additions to the field. A large span of concrete bleachers was built on the north portion of the field. The rear wall of the bleachers is an imposing twenty-foot high sandstone wall. The wall is clad with rough-cut sandstone laid in a random ashlar style. At the east end of the bleachers the stonewall drops to a height of eightfeet and continues around the field as a perimeter wall. The CWA project also made changes to the exterior brick wall of the grandstand. The original small arched windows were removed and larger windows identical to those found on the north wall of the bleachers were added."

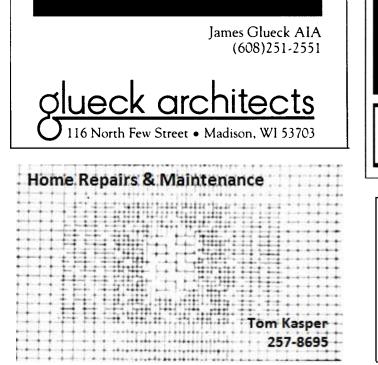
"Breese Stevens Municipal Athletic Field is the oldest city owned and operated athletic field in the City of Madison. It is also the oldest extant masonry grandstand in Wisconsin. This facility has been in continuous use since its opening day on May 5, 1926. Very diverse venues have been held within the facility ranging in nature from baseball to circuses. Currently, Breese Stevens Municipal Field is host to soccer and rugby games and tournaments. The 1925 grandstand, 1934 CWA bleachers and perimeter stone wall have been painstakingly restored while retaining a high degree of historic integrity."



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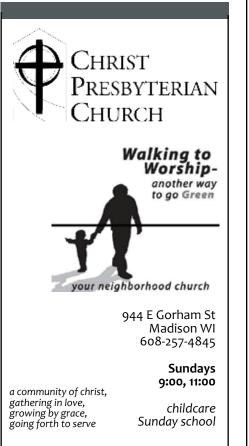
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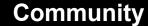


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# Keep in Shape this Winter with the Mendota Rowing Club

Brrr! Winter came early this year! Chased inside by the blustery west wind, Mendota Rowing Club (MRC)'s indoor activities have begun in earnest. Located in historic Bernard's Boathouse in James Madison Park, the all-ages member organization stores boats, meets, and trains there, year 'round.

MRC continues its mission of providing rowing to the community by offering off-the-water exercise instruction, fitness, and competition opportunities to the public.

New this winter, single-session Indoor Rowing Basics classes help participants learn safe technique on the Concept2 rower ("erg"), and how to program structured workouts using the Performance Monitor.

Another new feature this winter,

MRC offers a dry-land Winter membership. A participant does not have to be an experienced rower but must have basic erging skills. Winter members may come to the boathouse for self-directed exercise or join group workouts. Coach Matt Lenert leads workouts at 6 am Wednesdays and Fridays, and 8:30 am Saturdays.

MRC's weekly yoga group is open to the public. Certified instructor Cecily Frederick guides a mixed-level practice Sundays at 8:45 am. Practitioners may drop in for one meeting or sign up for full sessions at a reduced rate. The next session begins Jan. 4.

For the experienced indoor rower hungry for competition, MRC presents the indoor regatta Midwinter Meltdown, January 31, 2015, at UW Rowing's world-class Porter Boathouse. In addition to providing a winter goal for indoor training, the regatta is a qualifier for the World Indoor Rowing Championships held in Boston.

Information about and registration for: Indoor Rowing Basics, Winter Membership, Yoga in the Boathouse, and Midwinter Meltdown is on MRC's website: www.mendotarowingclub. com. Direct questions to info@mendotarowingclub.com or call Amy at 608-819-8624.



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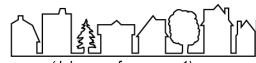


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(Johnson - from page 1) Jam On Johnson brought hundreds of people into the neighborhood to visit participating businesses and enjoy a variety of musical entertainment, free refreshments, great deals and a chance to win a grand prize (donated by neighborhood businesses) worth over a thousand dollars. The event was such a success that there are rumors that it may be made into a yearly event. The new Capital East Business Association hopes to build on the success of this event as we move forward.

The name, Capital East Business Association, was created to include new businesses in the adjacent East Washington Avenue development projects.

These new developments are bringing a lot of attention and people to our neighborhood. The reconstruction project put a fresh new face on Johnson Street and we somehow managed to add three new businesses during that time. Juneberry Studio and Marketplace, located at 702 E. Johnson Street, is more than just a crafting store. Owners Nicole Tupesis and Emily Graf host a variety of classes on sewing and wet felting techniques. They also host monthly artist receptions and offer goods from more than fifty local and independent artists. Salvatore's Tomato Pies opened in Sun Prairie in



Ribbon Cutting on November 14 marking the end of the E. Johnson Street Reconstruction Photo by Bob Shaw

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fall 2011 with an emphasis on local ingredients. They recently opened a new location at 912 E. Johnson Street.

> It was a soft opening, but somehow there are already lines out the door on most nights. They

have a full service dining room and some counter accommodations. Stop in for dinner or call for takeout at 608-238-6040. You won't regret it! Picks and Stones also recently opened at 217 N. Paterson Street, behind Burnie's Rock Shop. Proprietor Johnny Wood handcrafts guitar picks from rough stone and the finished product is truly one of a kind. Stop in and see for yourself.

We would like to thank everyone, our always supportive neighborhood association, especially Patty Prime, Richard Linster and Patrick Heck. Alder Zellers who has been with us every step of the way, Nik Simonson, who brought the business association back to life, and finally, all of you who kept us going by continuing to shop despite the hazards and horrible inconveniences of construction.

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