



# TENNEY - LAPHAM

NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

Winter 2016

## TLNA Sponsors Photo Contest for 2016

**What is it?** A way for the neighborhood community to explore, embrace, and discover its identity through images; accessible and open to all, cell phone photos encouraged and no experience necessary.

**How does it work?** Anyone can submit photos taken within the borders of Tenney - Lapham by posting them to the TLNA Facebook Page. Here are the themes of the contest:



**Faces** Show us the people you love, the people you recognize, the people you always seem to run into around Tenney Lapham. *Who are the people in your neighborhood?*

**Places** Your home, your haunts, favorite buildings, playgrounds, shops or secret gardens... *Where do you go in your neighborhood?*

**Action** Every day in Tenney Lapham, people are going about the business of living. Working, playing, learning, struggling, creating, and growing. *What do you do? What's happening in your hood?*



Between now and the Taste of Tenney 4 in October 2016, there will be three rounds of review and selection of a winner in each THEME, and intermediate prizes will be offered. Winners will be announced via Facebook and at some of our neighborhood events!

Final CASH prizes of **\$300 each** will be awarded at 2016 Taste of Tenney in these categories:

**Grand prize** -final winner selected by judges' panel

**People's Choice** most votes submitted by attendees at Taste of Tenney

**Youth Perspective** - awarded to a youth photographer

Questions? Email us at [mbclegal@gmail.com](mailto:mbclegal@gmail.com) with "TLN Photo Contest" in the subject line. Spread the word and help us capture the beauty of our neighborhood in photographs!



## Tenney Sip and Slice



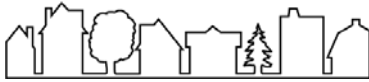
Join your neighbors for an afternoon of homebrew beer tasting, pie slice eating, and camaraderie!

Celebrate the fruitful efforts of your neighbors' home crafted beer and fresh baked pies at the Tenney Park Pavilion on Sunday, April 10 at 4 pm.

Need more than beer and pie for dinner? Your favorite local food trucks will be just outside the pavilion selling several delicious dinner options starting at 5 pm. While you sip your beer and eat your slice, you will have a chance to view the semi-finalist photos from the TLNA photo contest, enjoy the view of the newly restored shoreline at the park, and stay to participate in the spring TLNA Council meeting at 7 pm.

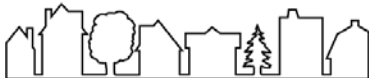
Interested in baking for the pie potluck? Wonderful! No cream, meat, or egg containing pies please.

Interested in sharing your homebrew? Super! Please email the coordinator Marta Staple at [martastaple@gmail.com](mailto:martastaple@gmail.com)



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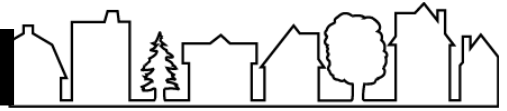


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# President's Report



## Planters Coming to East Johnson in the Spring



Each of the past several years, the TLNA Council has met soon after the annual meeting to get to know each other, learn about how the council works, and to choose a

project on which to focus in the coming year. A big reason that I like the planning meeting is that it can be difficult to be proactive with so many things going on in our neighborhood that we need to react to. It's important to gather our collective thoughts once a year, step back and look at the big picture, so that we can select a project outside of our many commitments.

This coming year, we want to focus on something to build on our neighborhood character. What is neighborhood character, you may very well ask? It's the answer to the question, "Why do you like to live here?" There are as many answers as there are people, but clear themes bubble up, like walkability and proximity to downtown. This year, we will hold a photo contest and invite neighbors to submit pictures in one of several broad themes. I'm excited about the contest, to see what everyone thinks is cool about Tenney-Lapham. This

is your chance to help define our neighborhood. You will find details on the front page. The results will show up in future newsletters and events. Please join in!

On a different but related subject, I want to send a big shout out to everyone who was involved with the neighborhood grant this year. You may not have heard about it, but Tenney-Lapham was the lucky recipient of a grant from the city of Madison for the second year in a row. The grant paid for expenses related to the Party in the Park last June, and it also paid for new planters that will go on the 700 – 900 blocks of East Johnson Street. The planters are very cool and will hold flowers to highlight the businesses, remind people that these are local stores and restaurants, and help to calm traffic. Steve Wilke



of Wilke Chiropractic worked with the shop class at East High School to build the new planters. There are signs on the sides, one for the Capital East Business Association and one for the Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood Association. Look for the new planters next spring!

- Patty Prime  
TLNA President

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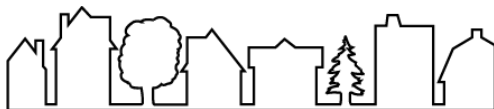


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## Festival Foods to Open in Early to Mid-Spring



I hope everyone had a lovely holiday season filled with family and friends. As I write this, I'm looking forward to a trip to San Diego to see our son. It

will be the first time for us to be away from Madison for the holidays in well over a decade.

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

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

Construction continues. Festival Foods is now projected to open in "early to mid-spring". Otto Gebhardt, the developer, proposed an additional 40 units of housing in phase 2 of the development. The TLNA steering committee worked with the developer on this requested change and supported it. It has since been approved by both the Urban Design Commission and the Plan Commission. It doesn't need to go to the Common Council so it is good to go. Completion of the non-grocery components of phase I is projected for "late spring, early summer". Completion of phase II is expected mid to late summer.

### **McGrath Project - 1200-1212 E. Wash and 9-13 N. Few**

Per the developer, Lance McGrath, the project is going well. The weather has been ideal for construction so the framing work is complete and they are now working on getting the building "enclosed" so interior finishes can start. They are on target for an occupancy date in May. They have been getting a lot of inquiries about the apartments and will start signing leases in early spring. McGrath Property Group is also planning to move their office to the smaller commercial space

on E. Washington Ave. As a reminder, the development includes ground floor retail/office along the E. Washington frontage, 76 units of market rate apartments (10 studio, 39 one-bedroom, 24 two-bedroom and 3 three-bedroom) and 76 underground parking spots.

### **Cosmos (800 South Block of E. Washington)**

The Gebhardt team continues to work on the project proposed for the 800 South Block of E. Washington (Alder Rummel's district). Negotiations are continuing to site a City parking ramp on MG&E property across E. Main Street which would also be used by tenants of the Cosmos. The Cosmos is expected to house Starting Block, American Family Insurance, a culinary center and a 2,300 capacity music venue. Construction start date is projected for mid to late summer.

### **Reynolds Crane Lot**

Still no word on a start date for this development project. The final approval was for 189 apartments in a 3- and 4-story building with a courtyard and a level of parking beneath the building that is partially underground.

### **Breese Stevens Field**

The Parks Department negotiated a contract with Big Top Productions (the organization that manages the Mallards stadium in Warner Park) to manage Breese Stevens Field. This management contract was approved by the Common Council on December 1. The contract will provide for a single point of contact for all events, questions and issues at Breese. I appreciated the ideas I got from Tenney-Lapham neighbors which helped provide input for contract terms that are favorable for having a venue that I anticipate will be good for the community and the neighborhood.

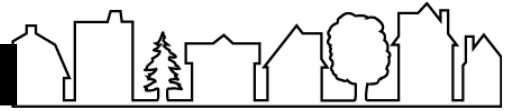
### **1000 E. Washington – Second Proposal**

As reported in the last newsletter, Stone House Development is proposing a development on the former Madison Dairy building site. Since the fall newsletter, the development team has worked with the TLNA steering committee (report can be found on the TLNA website) which resulted in a generally supportive report to the Tenney-Lapham Council. The Tenney-Lapham Council unanimously endorsed the project proposal.

The proposal continues to move through city processes with the following approval steps yet needed... Urban Design Commission (development team has initial approval; looking for final approval), Plan Commission and Common Council. There is also a Tax Incremental District boundary change in the works to allow for an application for Tax Incremental Financing support as well as an application to Wisconsin Housing and Economic Development Authority for affordable housing tax credits. I'm optimistic that these further steps in the process will go smoothly and that we will see action early in 2016.

The current design includes 55 affordable units facing E. Mifflin and N. Brearily with 3-stories stepping back to a 4<sup>th</sup> story. On E. Washington 3 stories are proposed, stepping back to a 10-story apartment tower. The E. Washington portion of the development would include ground floor retail space (could be a coffee shop and similar types of businesses), and office space on two floors. The E. Washington side apartments are proposed to be a mix of efficiency, 1-bedroom and 2-bedroom units, all at market rate. Parking for 350 vehicles is planned. Stone House has proposed an 11<sup>th</sup> floor that would be limited to a Community Room. As always, I will include notice of scheduled city meetings to consider this project in my weekly District 2 city meeting email.

# Alder's Report



## Day Resource Center

The County made an offer to purchase the Messner's building at 1326 E. Washington in the Tenney-Lapham neighborhood for use as a Day Resource Center for homeless people. The offer was accepted and the County Board has approved the purchase contract. The County (who is the developer for this project proposal) has contracted with Dorschner Associates, an architectural firm located at 849 E. Washington Avenue, to assess the condition of the building and what would be needed to make it useable for a homeless day resource center. A Request for Proposals (RFP) has been issued for a Center Operator. RFP responses are due on December 18. A spot for a neighborhood representative has been added to the RFP selection committee. To move forward the proposal must secure approval for a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) which means that it must go to the Plan Commission rather than being able to be built without such approval. There will be a public hearing prior to any decision being made about the CUP. The Plan Commission retains "continuing jurisdiction" over all conditional uses and can reconsider them and change/add conditions should issues arise. It is uncertain when the CUP application will be made and when the hearing will be held since the County wants to have the Center Operator in place and the site plans well thought out prior to making their application. You can find additional information about the TLNA steering committee (whose next meeting is January 20 at 7:00 pm) and project proposal on the TLNA website. There is also additional information on Supervisor Heidi Wegleitner's blog.

## Out of District 2 – Of Interest

### Madison Public Market District

In the 2016 City budget, the Common Council approved \$5.25 million for construction of the Madison Public Market on First and Johnson Streets. The overall cost of the market is estimated to be around \$14 million. An amendment requiring the city to raise most of the money from other sources (state, federal government, foundations, etc.) was passed as part of the budget amendment restoring funding for the market.

### Judge Doyle Square

When Exact Sciences pulled out of JDS Development's proposal for the Judge Doyle Square site, the Com-

mon Council endorsed returning to the other three developers who submitted proposals in May. Those three firms have been given until January 19, 2016 to respond to whether they want their proposals to continue to be considered and whether they have changes to their initial proposals.

### 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

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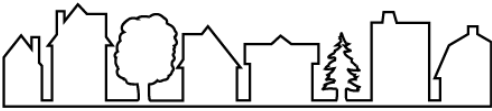
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## Four Things I've Learned about Lapham Elementary School

Four months ago we took a leap of faith. We started waking our oldest daughter up before she is ready, prescribed a morning routine despite her preference for lounging, distraction, and play, and committed to leaving her with her peers for seven hours a day, five days a week. I challenged myself to keep the refrigerator sufficiently stocked so that I can pack her daily lunch, and to keep my



*The Adult School Crossing Guard (ASCG) program is staffed, supervised and funded in the Police Department. If the hazard rating is at least 40 points, and there are at least 15 students (for a K-2 only school) using the crossing, then staff will recommend to the PBMVC that an ASCG be assigned to the crossing."*

concerns about the state of the public school system to myself.

My husband reminds me how lucky we are to live a block from a school that is at the heart of this neighborhood and community. He reminds me that we owe it to ourselves and our kids to be part of this school community, or at least not to bail out before we've given it a fair trial.

From the get-go we were lucky: so many of the faces of the kids and parents were familiar. The cohort of kids from my daughter's classes at Tenney Nursery and Parent Center are now with her in school. This means I see many of my neighbors and fellow parents daily, sometimes twice a day. That sense of belonging to the place that I used to feel a few times a year, when I went to Lapham to vote, I now feel nearly every morning. I've had other insights, as well.

### Top Four Insights as a New Parent of a Lapham Kindergartner

1. Even though we live a block from the elementary school, my daughter

**may not walk to or from school by herself.** There two reasons for this: she must be released to a guardian and there are no crossing guards. The principal told me that when she started at Lapham, she was surprised there were no crossing guards, so she inquired. She passed along what she learned:

*"Crossing guards are provided based on requests from the schools and studies to see if the locations meet the criteria established by the city for assigning Adult School Crossing Guards."*

Photo by Bob Shaw

Lapham was closed in the 1970s and reopened in the early 1990s. Before closing, Lapham was a 'normal' neighborhood elementary school that went from Kindergarten through fifth grade. There were crossing guards on Johnson and Gorham at Ingersoll. Arthur Ross, the City's Bike and Pedestrian Coordinator who provided the information above, couldn't remember for sure, but said he thinks those were the only ones. Lapham reopened in the early 1990s as a K-2

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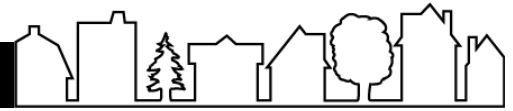
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## Schools



school. In response to parents' concerns, the district agreed to provide bus transportation for the students. This fit the trend throughout the country away from 'active transportation' and the normalcy of walking to school. Just 10% of kids in the country walk to school today, according to an awesome little twominute video "Why don't kids walk to school anymore?" from The Atlantic.

**2. The teachers and principals want to say Yes.** I have some understanding and a lot of empathy for the challenges of teaching in and directing a public school. I know there is a bureaucracy that necessarily constrains the teachers, staff, and principal, and that this can cause disheartening levels of exhaustion and frustration.

All that being true, Lapham is a human place where the parents and teachers and principal are in conversation and responsive. For example, last year parents were concerned because students were not eating their lunch for various reasons: they ate with their coats on, rushed to get to recess, and didn't have nearly enough time for everything. So this school year, in response to concerns, the lunch period has been extended and students leave coats in lockers instead of managing gear and food together.

Another example: At the very first of the Parent-Teacher-Group (PTG) meetings, I mentioned my own wish that second-language instruction could start earlier than is typical (7th grade) and wondered what kind of second-language opportunities Lapham could offer. I got an email from the principal following up with me literally the next day. She had spoken with my daughter's teacher and the Bilingual Resource Specialist (a paid staff member who works with Spanish-speaking students and families) to propose an experiment. Now several times a week, a small group of kindergartners are getting some second-language instruction.

**3. The Parent Teacher Group foots the bills.** The PTG is essentially making up the slack for school budget cuts. The PTG meets monthly and is open to anyone. The PTG is for parents of both Lapham and Marquette, the school where kids continue for grades 3-5. The PTG has large fundraising goals and pays for things that I assumed were part of school. The PTG pays for the Lapham Outdoor Classroom and Community Garden, for example, which is integrated into the curriculum for every grade.

Last year, the PTG started giving grants to teachers. The teachers have requested grant money for books, field trips, band uniforms, supplies, etc. There are more requests than there is money. The requests are small, but again, this money is raised through fundraisers like the bake sale held during election. Elections are held in the school auditorium and it is the only time when neighbors without kids at the school walk through the doors and have the opportunity to give money to the school.

I know that many neighbors and businesses are very concerned about the school and want to give. Cork and Bottle beer and wine shop on East Johnson has always donated the money they make at their annual block party to the school. This past summer, The Party in the Park raised a lot of money for Lapham thanks to the generosity of the neighborhood and Cork and Bottle. I see now, as a parent, how important this outside support is.

**4. When the bell rings and the school day ends, my daughter wants to climb a tree.** There is a perfectly accessible tree next to, but not on, the playground. After school, many kids

bee-line for the tree. Backpacks and coats lay strewn on the lawn and sidewalk. Their owners fill the branches of this small tree. I don't get to see how hard my daughter is working all day long, but I can see her progress in that tree. She is getting up the nerve to go higher, swing from new branches, drop from daring heights. I see how she is challenged by, and stepping up, to school life by watching her in the tree.

The tree scene is quaint, charming, and reassuring to me. I can be cynical about and disappointed by the world sometimes, but this is one thing that seems so right: a tree in a school yard that kids like to climb after school.

It's no one-room school-house, but Lapham is at the heart of this neighborhood. It seems like you should not have to be a parent, or have a child at the school, to benefit from having a school like Lapham in your midst.

How could we make the heartbeat of the school louder, stronger, and more vital for all of the Tenney-Lapham neighborhood? The Neighborhood Plan calls for a community center... but maybe we have one already, we just don't use it to its fullest potential.

- Jessica Becker

*(This article originally appeared in Jessica's blog - Between Two Lakes and a Hard Place - <http://betweentwolakesandahardplace.blogspot.com/>.)*

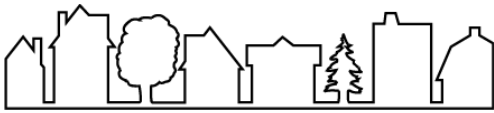
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## The Sled Zephyrin' Slides Again!

The Sled Zephyrin' is not a real ice-boat, but when the conditions are right it works well enough. Preferred conditions are hard water 4" thick or more with 1" of crusty snow on top. That and a favorable wind, say 15-25 mph from the NW. Temperature around 28 degrees Fahrenheit.

One must dress properly to be out on the lake in winter. Cold temperature and wind chill is first consideration. Snow-mobile suit, sturdy boots, big gloves, Green Bay Packers scarf and warm headgear are the basics. Then goggles so you can see, and ice cleats so you can walk. Also, you just might need a pair of ice-picks on a cord around your neck where you can reach them quickly if you should find yourself swimming and wish to get a grip on the solid part



of ice. A Personal Flotation Device is a real good idea. I fell through the ice once and was very glad I was wearing a PFD.

The Sled Zephyrin' started as a worn out lateen sail from a "Sailfish". Sail, aluminum mast, gaff and boom. Then three old two runner Flexible Flyer sleds are held together in a triangular base of PVC pipes and assorted bolts. All sleds face in same direction. The two back sleds are fixed solid to the PVC frame. The front sled has a short vertical pipe as a pivot point for steering. The PVC frame sits atop of all sleds. The front sled can turn under the pivot point. A steering line (a line is a rope with a purpose) is attached to both ends of the steering bar of the front sled. The other ends are

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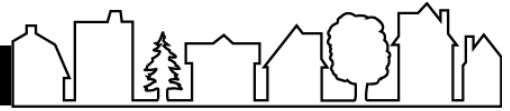
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attached to the ends of a long steering bar mounted on the back of the PVC frame with a single bolt in the middle as pivot point. This bar can be reached from either rear sled and thus you can steer the Sled Zephyrin' from either rear sled. The mast is stepped just behind the front sled.

Real ice-boats have large ice skate like runners that like clean ice and stand the body of boat a foot above the ice. The Flexible Flyers need some "texture" on the ice or it will slide sideways. Also the sleds have only 4" clearance at best and can be stopped by small snow drifts. Real ice-boats have a large Bermuda sail rigged with lots of pulleys. The Sled Zephyrin' has a lumpy worn out lateen of only 70 square feet and one pulley. Over the years Sled Zephyrin' has put on some weight. First a doubling of pipes

to stiffen the frame. Flotation was added later (after recovery from lake bottom). The fiberglass water softener tanks are bungeed to the frame with bicycle inner tubes. Kind of looks like the star ship Enterprise. The Flexible Flyers have been replaced a few times. One set of three were warped out of shape by being submerged in Lake Mendota for four months. The other sleds just plain wore out. It seems I can get about 100 miles on a sled before metal fatigue takes it out of action. (Whoops! Just blew out a sled!) With three sleds wearing out at once it might be cheaper to take a taxi. But then the sled is more fun and smells better.

As any soft water sailor knows, you can drift even with no wind. Hard water is different. There is friction, but once you have overcome the initial resistance

the sled slides along on a thin layer of water on mostly flat ice. Real ice-boats can literally sail faster than the wind. I have heard of real ice-boats reaching speeds of 140 mph. Curious thing is, ice-boats don't have brakes. The Sled Zephyrin' has reached speeds of about 30 mph, and what a butt massage that is on a Flexible Flyer!

For those who are curious to see the Sled Zephyrin' in action, High Def helmet cam footage from the point of view of the author and sailor can be found on You Tube at this link:

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- Lonnie Richardson



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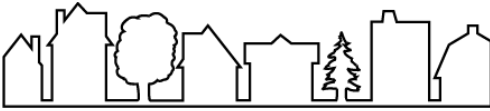


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Thanks also to Christ Presbyterian Church for their neighborliness in making Fellowship Hall available.

Hope to see you all again next year.



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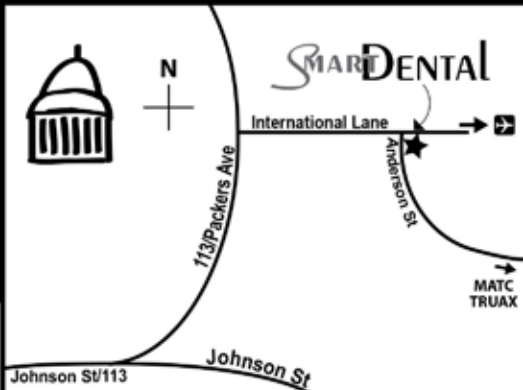
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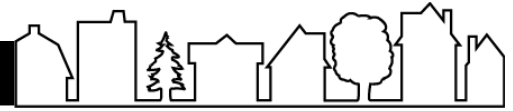
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**Voters are now required to show a photo ID when voting.** You can use a US Passport or a Wisconsin driver license/Wisconsin state ID card with an expiration date of November 4, 2014 or later. The address on your photo ID does not have to be current. Out of state ID's are not acceptable.

If you don't have a Wisconsin DL or ID you can get a free ID at the Division of Motor Vehicle offices (4802 Sheboygan Avenue or 2001 Bartillon Drive in Madison.) If you are sixty or older and need a ride, contact RSVP (in Madison call 608-441-7898). You will need to bring:

Proof of citizenship, name and date of birth (If your name does not match your birth certificate bring proof of name change.) *If you don't have all the proof you need, DMV will help verify your information.*

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Anyone who has a driver's license or ID from another state will not be able to obtain a Wisconsin ID without giving up their out-of-state DL/ID. UW-Madison students can get a special free ID for voting at the WisCard office at Union South. They will also need to show proof of enrollment at the polls.


**If you vote by permanent absentee ballot** you are exempt from the voter photo ID requirement. Voters who have a disability or are elderly can request to be added to the permanent absentee ballot list by completing a form or mailing a letter to their municipal clerk. It must include the voter's name, address and signature and a statement that the voter is "indefinitely confined," which means getting to the polls could be difficult. One does not need to be homebound. For more information see <http://bringit.wisconsin.gov/are-there-exceptions-new-law>

**People who live in a nursing home or other care facility** can be visited by a representative of their local clerk's office. Check with care facility staff or your municipal clerk. A voter photo ID will not be needed for these folks as staff will vouch for their identity.

The spring elections (County Board, Supreme Court Justice, Presidential Primary, etc.) are scheduled for February 16 and April 5, 2016. Talk to your friends and neighbors. Make sure every eligible Wisconsin voter has the documentation they need to vote!

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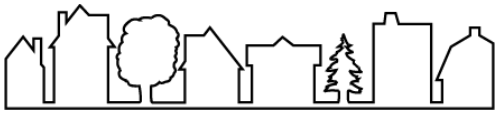


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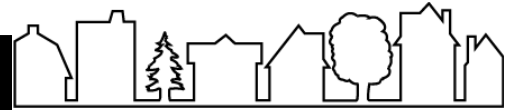
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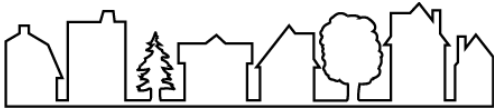
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More than four years ago, the Dane County Board of Supervisors took the rare step of amending the county budget in the middle of the year to address needs facing the homeless in our community. This measure, authored by Dane County Board Supervisor Heidi Weigleitner, created a new capital budget account in the county's finances, directing Dane County to purchase a site and develop a new homeless day resource center.

After trying but being unable to develop such a facility on a couple of occasions, Supervisor Weigleitner and the County Board acted this summer to add more money to the capital budget to help the county afford the added expense of acquiring a day resource center closer to the downtown.

That history led to the current conversation involving the former Messner property along East Washington Avenue. While the county has closed on the purchase of this property, there are many steps, including approval from the City of Madison that must occur before the day resource center envisioned in that county budget amendment years ago becomes reality.

The work to get there will be done in consult with the neighborhood. Through

open lines of communication and a shared approach that focuses on how together we can meet a growing need in our community while being respectful of neighborhood concerns.

A successful day resource center can offer critical housing, employment, and health services and also be a good neighbor.

The county has invited representatives of the Tenney-Lapham neighborhood to assist us selecting which entity will best coordinate an eventual day resource center operation. A number of very capable, well-known local service providers will be integral to this project succeeding. Once selected, the prospective operator will help interested neighbors get questions answered and learn more about how such a facility will work.

Homelessness is a community challenge that must be addressed through collaboration. Working together, Dane County, the City of Madison, service organizations, homeless advocates, and the neighborhood can accomplish a great thing for our community in the coming year.

I think it is both rational and reasonable for community members to have and express concerns when a facility such as this is proposed. Please know that Dane County is committed to work-

ing with you to address your concerns and develop a homeless day resource center that helps those who are less fortunate get back on their feet and of which we can all be proud.

- Joe Parisi, County Executive



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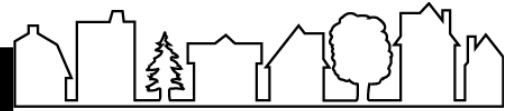
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## TNPC Board Does Not Support the County's Proposal

It was an especially eventful fall semester at Tenney Nursery & Parent Center this year. During this past summer, many of our member families kept up with news of Dane County's ongoing efforts to establish a Day Resource Center to serve homeless citizens, including the decision in July to borrow an additional \$2 million to better afford a downtown site. But we were all surprised by the announcement in the news media on September 23rd that the County Executive had negotiated an agreement to purchase the Messner's building adjacent to Tenney Nursery as the proposed location. Tenney Nursery's Board of Directors was disappointed not to be included in the discussions among County staff and officials about possibly acquiring the Messner building, which we learned began sometime before the beginning of August. We nevertheless did our best to keep our member families informed about the County's proposal and to gather as much feedback as we could. The Dane County Board authorized the purchase of the Messner's property on November 5th and the County officially

acquired it November 30th. The County intends to apply to the City of Madison for a Conditional Use Permit this spring, renovate the building over the summer, and open the facility in the fall of 2016.

Just like the larger neighborhood, Tenney Nursery's member families have a range of views regarding Dane County's proposal for locating the Day Resource Center adjacent to the nursery school and nearly everyone is eager to know more about it. The nursery's Board of Directors understands that many earnest people continue to weigh the Day Resource Center's potential benefits for our community along with the potential complications for the nursery. And just like other parents before us, it is the responsibility of the current Board to ensure a thriving neighborhood nursery school for our children and for those that will come after them. As Board members, we are concerned about maintaining the healthy enrollment needed to sustain Tenney Nursery's business and we chose not to support the County's proposal.

At our initial meeting with Dane

County representatives in early October, the Board shared our concerns with the County's Director of Human Services and she agreed that some families in the community, at least initially, will choose not to enroll their children in Tenney Nursery if the Day Resource Center is located on the adjacent property. We are doing our best to address this issue going forward and we continue to listen to our member families and the larger community as we do so.

When the Dane County Board of Supervisors deliberated approving the negotiated purchase agreement, Tenney Nursery requested the Board include an amendment to their authorizing resolution. That amendment would have called for the County to begin negotiating an agreement with Tenney Nursery to address our concerns and to advise the County Board, prior to applying for a Conditional Use Permit with the City of Madison, whether such an agreement could be reached. The County Board declined to include that amendment in the purchase authorization, but two weeks later passed Dane County Resolution 316, which recognized Tenney Nursery & Parent Center's concerns with future operations and enrollment levels and committed Dane County to work to come to an agreement with Tenney Nursery that will address business concerns related to the Day Resource Center.

As we prepare for the City of Madison's review of the anticipated application for a Conditional Use Permit, we hope that the upcoming discussions with the County will be productive. The latest information we have indicates that the County's architect for the project recommends removing approximately half of the existing structure from the site and we anxiously await an initial design proposal in the first part of the new year.

- Tenney Nursery & Parent Center  
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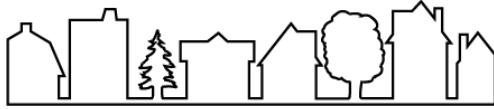
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Green Madison is particularly interested in improving Madison's buildings

since buildings are by far the city's biggest consumers of energy. As part of this effort, we are promoting energy house parties in every Madison neighborhood. These parties show homeowners how even the most basic energy saving technologies, such as insulation, can significantly cut household energy use. Currently over twenty Madison residents in neighborhoods throughout the city have signed up to host an energy house party since we started offering them this past October. House party hosts receive a free energy audit. People who attend a house party will get a crash

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A wide range of housing options are found in different areas of the neighborhood, including single-family homes with lake frontage, smaller, moderately priced homes, co-op living, and two/three flats and larger apartment buildings.

Accessibility to Lake Mendota and the Yahara River for water activities and the linkage to the bike system provide a wide range of recreational and transportation opportunities. Three city parks, James Madison, Reynolds and Tenney, along with the Yahara River Parkway, provide a variety of resources, such as beaches, an ice skating rink, volleyball and tennis courts.

The economic heart of the neighborhood is the East Johnson Business District, where you can shop for groceries, do your laundry, get a haircut, get a bike repaired, and visit stores that sell antiques, framing, wines and spirits, and more.

Welcome to our neighborhood. Be a part of it.

### WHAT DOES TLNA DO FOR ME? WHY SHOULD I JOIN?

- TLNA provides a voice for residents when working with the city on issues important to the neighborhood such as transportation, safety, housing community service, or parks.
- TLNA provides financial support to the activities of the neighborhood association that enrich our lives such as our schools, our parks and our East Johnson Street business district.
- TLNA helps build a sense of community through distribution of the newsletter, hosting a listserv, sponsoring social events, and creating opportunities to meet and greet neighbors.

**WHAT ARE THE MEMBERSHIP LEVELS?** The cost of a single adult membership (ages 18-64) is \$10/year. If you are senior (age 65 or older) or a student the cost is \$5/yr. And if you are a neighborhood business, the cost of membership is \$20/yr. Membership dues support the diverse activities of the TLNA.

**HOW ARE DUES USED?** Dues help support important initiatives at our schools (Lapham, Marquette, O'Keefe, and East High Schools), rebuild the Tenney Park Shelter, publish a great neighborhood newsletter, and support neighborhood events.

### NEIGHBORHOOD EVENTS

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- Art Walk
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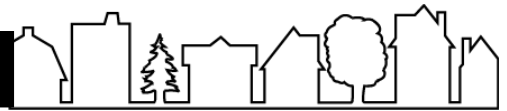
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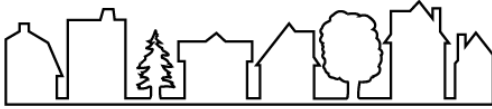
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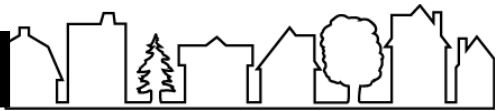
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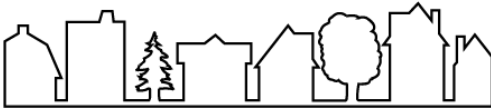
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