



TENNEY - LAPHAM

NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

Winter 2019



Last summer the Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood Association sponsored a contest to replace the fading welcome sign at the intersection of E. Johnson/E. Gorham/N. Baldwin. The winning sign as seen above will be installed in the near future. The artist is Roy Sutcliffe and we asked him to tell us how he came up with the design: *“My friend Glen Skolaski lives in the Tenney-Lapham neighborhood and he wanted to work together on this sign contest. We’ve known each other since kindergarten and art has always been in our lives in classes and school. As we progressed Glen’s path has mostly taken him toward physical media like paint and clay while my path has been more digital. Using Glen’s first idea for the sign as inspiration, I made a simplified version that still included some recognizable landmarks from the area. It seemed to fit the welcoming and all inclusive vibe of the area as I added more color.”*

Eye Contact Opens in the Galaxie

“It happens to the best of us,” Dr. David Nelson proclaimed during my first visit to Eye Contact’s newest location right in our hood. It was a visit I had prolonged since they opened in March in the first floor of the Galaxie building. Since I carried vision insurance all year that they accept, I decided to use the benefit in December and the diagnosis was one I suspected. I have come to the age where I need bifocals.

I noticed about a year ago when someone shoved an iPhone in my face

to show me a picture of their puppy, I was like, “hold on, I can’t focus anymore that close up.” Now, I am finding myself looking under my rimless glasses with my naked eye to view my phone or read anything in print. I had given up on wearing contacts as I couldn’t see anything close up while wearing them.

Making an appointment was easy. I walked in during the lunch hour and scheduled an appointment for later on that day after work. I noticed on their main entrance door they have

a QR scanner code which also allows one to make an appointment.

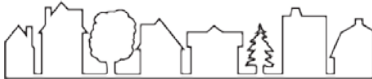
My eye doctor was David Nelson, OD, and he just happens to be the owner of all three Eye Contact locations in Madison. He and his office manager, Deb, have worked together for 31 years. They are really excited about their new location in the Tenney-Lapham neighborhood and are pleased with getting new walk-in patients like me from the neighborhood. I had recalled their State

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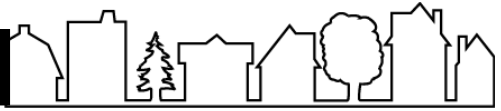


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Connecting with Neighbors



On November 6, I had the honor to work at the polls in our neighborhood. It's always a delight to see people I know, sometimes with their

kids, spouses, or friends. We're trained to ask every voter to say their name and address out loud to verify the polling book on registration forms. What struck me was the number of people with addresses in our new apartment buildings. Of course, Tenney-Lapham has added about 1,000 new housing units in the last five years, so it's no surprise that every corner of our neighborhood was showing up at the polls. Election day brought together so many neighbors like no other event can. Voting made me feel like we were all citizens coming together to make our choices, one big communal activity.

Each year, the TLNA Council chooses a theme to provide a focus for the coming year. This year, we chose to focus on connecting with neighbors. As hundreds move here and our population grows, do our new neighbors know that they live in a neighborhood? What makes our neighborhood unique? Lakes? Parks? Walkabil-

ity? I think our neighborhood is social, close to downtown, and eclectic. It feels like a small town within a city. This year we'd love to capture the essence of our neighborhood in a phrase. We sent a questionnaire out to find out what you think. Using that as a working base, perhaps inspiration will strike and our catchphrase will be born. We also want to provide a fun place to visually show each other what we love about our place in the city. We'll use our Instagram account (<https://www.instagram.com/tenneylapham/>) to share images of what makes our place special. More to come soon. For Facebook users, post ideas, questions, comments, and pictures at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/tenneylapham/>.

TLNA needs to move into the 21st century if we want to reach more people, so we're looking at streamlining our membership process, finding a way to join and or renew electronically.

When we come together as citizens on election day, we are a part of something bigger. So too, we want to help our neighbors feel a part of the community they live in, by naming what makes it special, by inviting them to take pictures, by joining in some of our

events big and small, by patronizing our businesses, and most of all, feeling they are a part of our neighborhood.
- Patty Prime

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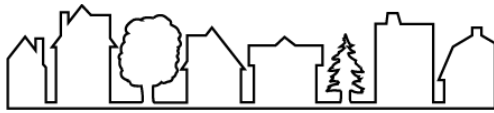
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Managing Meetings: A Chat with Ledell Zellers

Alder Ledell Zellers is retiring in the spring. In lieu of running the usual alder's report, we asked Gay Davidson-Zielske to interview Ledell for a reflection on her tenure in office.

My first acquaintance with Ledell Zellers was in 2013 at her invitation. I remember being a little surprised and a bit flattered that this busy public person whose name was being bruited about as a candidate for Alder for District 2 wanted to chat with me individually since my biggest claim to fame was modest, having served in various committees on the TLNA board sporadically over several years. In other words, it would be a stretch to say that my name was a household word outside my own household. But as we settled into conversation, I realized that our alder has two vital qualities for success as a public official—the ability to really focus and a sincere interest in hearing what the other person is saying. Because I have lived in the neighborhood for thirty years, I had formed some opinions about the ways I have seen my home turf changing. She and I shared many of these concerns—safety, preservation of what's best and quirky-est about these environs, and change that takes those things into account.

While I had only a few reasons to call Ledell to ask for help in any official capacity over the next five years, I kept up on the news and was impressed with the number of times her name was



prominently featured in sometimes heated discussions about how exactly we the people wanted ourselves represented in the City at large.

So I felt fairly up to speed when Ledell and I met again five years later to chat about her three successful terms as Alder—a run coming to an end in April 2019 when she has decided to step away from the position. We met at one of my favorite cafes, Michelangelo's on State Street, and settled in. Ironically, she essentially answered one of my first questions unintentionally as we got down to business. I asked what she had been up to lately and she said, smiling, "trying to keep up with meetings." The previous night alone, she had been informed of four committee meetings, three of which concerned either Tenney-Lapham neighborhood or the entire second district she represents (the TLN,

James Madison Park district and Mansion Hill district.) The fourth, a discussion of rapid transit, was of City-wide importance.

Because they all met at overlapping times, she made the tough decision to attend two. This demanding schedule, she said, was the foremost reason she had decided she needed to step down from her position. It seems a reasonable decision for one who had already retired from her day job with the State of Wisconsin Investment Board in order to dedicate her energy to serving the district .

With three terms to her credit, Ledell had some useful insights into what qualities she believes most necessary in a successful alder. Since the booming requests for new housing and commercial development has been



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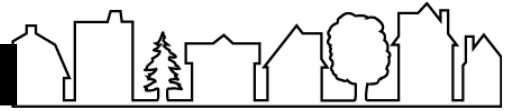
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dominating our public discourse for her entire term, Ledell placed that first in her concerns.

A crucial trait for success, she believes is “communicating with our neighborhood, with the City and with developers and getting to some kind of consensus.” She added modestly but factually that of the many new major development proposals, ranging from the Galaxie to some Stone House developments, that have been successfully proposed and fulfilled, she was able to come to a point of support on “at least” six that were eventually approved by all concerned. (Full disclosure: Since I have been a stubborn advocate for “smaller is generally better,” I may not personally have been in favor of some of the taller complexes, but could understand that in her position, one must try to satisfy many competing needs.)

On the flip side, though she felt some satisfaction at these successes in diplomacy, she did not underestimate how difficult it may be for her successor to negotiate these highly-pressurized decisions. She noted that “trying to get all parties on the same page” may in fact be one of the most challenging part of the job. Ledell would also like to see even more of our neighbors being represented in some way by a neighborhood association. She is hopeful that one of the candidates for the office will carry through on his interest in the formation of a neighborhood association to represent Sherman Terrace condos and apartments on the northwest side of the Yahara.

Ledell and I agree that our neighborhood is remarkably engaged and filled with capable, intelligent, and articulate people who are also skilled problem-solvers. After the recent flooding event, I attended one large meeting in the Marquette Neighborhood to discuss possible solutions both short and long-term. While a bit tense at times as stakeholders with conflicting “issues” debated, the attendees and speakers impressed

me anew with the wealth of good and well-researched information they shared.

“What are the top three challenges to improving our neighborhood?” I asked. She was quite prompt in answering. “It will continue to be a challenge to meet the needs of development in terms of balancing the profits on which developers are focused without demolishing the unique and special fabric of the neighborhood,” she answered. A second challenge is to “deal with the issues of lake quality and climate change in terms including flooding, and a third is to deal with increasing property valuations for those trying to continue to live here and for persons wishing to come into the neighborhood. Tenney has been very supportive in pushing for new developments to set aside units for affordable housing,” she added, but surprised me by adding that there are no legal requirements for developers to do so unless, as some have done, developers are using HUD funding to set aside such units.

Since a frequent topic of conversation on our mutually shared media seems to involve crime within our boundaries, I asked Ledell for an opinion. “Oh, I am firmly opposed to crime” she said, laughing. I promptly apologized for my sloppy question and we seriously discussed the issue. She said that she felt that perhaps our ability to quickly share and access crime incidents may in fact be skewing many people’s perceptions of the relative safety of our neighborhood, citing our police officers’ gathering of statistics that indicate a safe neighborhood. I agreed that it is easy to be stampeded by the sheer numbers of reports of petty incidents and that many of us residents are inclined to be more aware of these.

Another issue that has interested me since I live in reasonably close proximity is the use of the Breese Stevens property. As with crime, the chats I attend to have been filled with stories concerning noise, parking, and other attendant changes with new uses.

I asked Ledell about the proper

balance between events at Breese and the needs of surrounding residents. She presented a very reasoned view, noting that she had worked hard with city staff and neighborhood residents since allowing the sometimes highly controversial concerts and events was a way to preserve Breese from possible destruction through repurposing, such as providing a new venue for a professional soccer league.

I thought it would be enlightening to end our interview by asking our alder to reflect on what she would like to see as her legacy to the neighborhood. However, Ledell is a modest person and replied that she felt she couldn’t or would prefer not to predict. But having spent time with her and listened to our earnest and thoughtful representative for what will soon be six years, I will summarize by offering my own: she took it in stride and came up poised.

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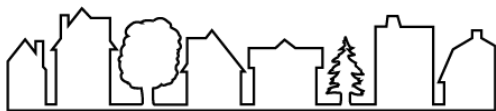
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Greetings, neighbors! I've lived in the Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood as a renter for many years, but recently bought my own home in this wonderful neighborhood. I've enjoyed exploring opportunities as a new homeowner, especially ways to make my new home greener, healthier, and more welcoming to our community, human and wildlife alike. I've compiled a list of seasonal tips for you to consider using in your own home. Enjoy!

Plant milkweed and other native nectar plants to attract monarchs and other pollinators next season. Winter is a great time to plant, either on bare soil or after one to two inches of snowfall. Native plant seeds in Wisconsin require a prolonged period of cold to germinate and grow. Or, take this time to plan your garden and yard for the next growing season! Pollinators are in sharp decline, and by simply planting a few stems of milkweed or native plants, you can do a world of good for our pollinators and add to an existing network of habitat found at places like Tenney Park, Christ

Presbyterian Church, and many yards in our neighborhood. Learn more at wimonarchs.org.

De-ice your sidewalks with sand instead of salt or reduce the amount of salt you use this winter. Salt runs off into our lakes and streams, causing significant harm to the environment, economy, and infrastructure. Madison has seen significant increases in salt levels in our waterways, which is harming freshwater resources in our lakes. Learn how to use the right amount of salt to get the job done and other steps you can take to reduce your impact at wisaltwise.com.

Recycle your Christmas tree with the City of Madison. Recycled Christmas trees are turned into mulch and used for other purposes. (Bonus idea – keep it in your backyard to provide cover and habitat for birds and other wildlife). The first round of free recycling begins January 2nd; the second round begins January 15th. Learn more at the City of Madison website.

Feed the birds! Winter is a great time to put out wild bird food, and can make a big difference to ensure winter bird residents survive and thrive during the coldest times of the year. Black oil sunflower has high fat content and attracts the most species (don't forget to clean your feeder every couple of weeks using hot water or a 10% bleach solution). You can even make your own suet cakes with lard, peanut butter and seeds – hang them from a branch with a piece of string to attract woodpeckers, chickadees, and other winter species. Backyard feeders can help provide a network of resources for birds who utilize our nearby parks and other habitat areas.

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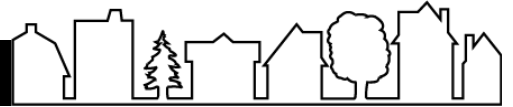
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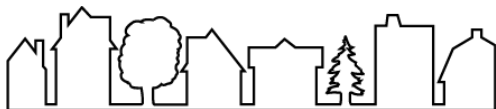
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Ever since that night, we have hosted musicians from all over the US and Canada, from Nashville, Chicago, Boston, New York City and Seattle. But we pledged early on to feature local and state musicians on a regular basis, and we will continue to do so in the coming year.

On New Year's Eve, Monday, Dec. 31, we will welcome **The Honey Pies**,

our favorite new Madison band. Doug Brown and Tom Waselchuk, two of Madison's best musicians, and top-notch vocalist Jodi Jean Amble will help us usher in the New Year starting at 7:30.

We'll follow up on Friday, Jan. 25 with Milwaukee's **Dead Horses**, with marvelous singer/songwriter Sarah Vos accompanied by Daniel Wolff on stand-up bass. This band has received accolades galore over the past few years among roots/Americana critics and fans. Their new CD *My Mother The Moon* is a gorgeous creation. The duo will also be playing at the Mineral Point Opera House on Jan. 26.

Over the years we have also hosted a Who's Who of top Madison and Wisconsin artists. The list includes Harmonious Wail, Mark Croft and Jon Vriesacker, Beth Kille, Chris Waggoner and Mary Gaines, Cris and Ann Plata, and the Ritt

Dietz Trio, all from Madison, Peter Mulvey and Listening Party from Milwaukee, Randy Sabien and Bill Camplin from the Café Carpe, and Patchouli, that superb duo from Maiden Rock.

Madison's area music scene is booming, and there are so many great places to hear live music these days. We recently stopped by Café Coda, Hanah Jon Taylor's sleek new jazz club on Willy St. We are regular fans of the North Street Cabaret, Brink Lounge, Café Carpe and Stoughton Opera House. Let's not forget Kiki's House of Righteous Music on the east side, Mother Fool's on Willy St., and Crescendo Coffee Bar on Monroe.

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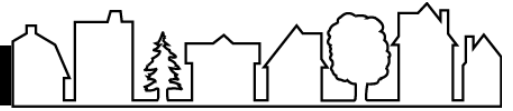
So I got involved. I started by knocking on doors, then I led my local grassroots action team. I found my place as a community organizer and started managing local and statewide campaigns. Now I want to use my skills to work for Madison. I believe community organizing means community decision-making, and that means listening to our neighbors. In the coming weeks, I'll be knocking on every door in District 2, listening to each of you.

Together, let's work to build a stronger district and to make Madison a place where all are welcome.

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- Dave Wallner and Anne Katz



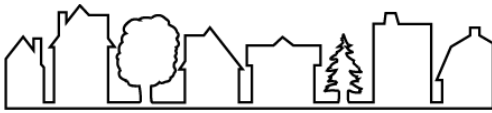
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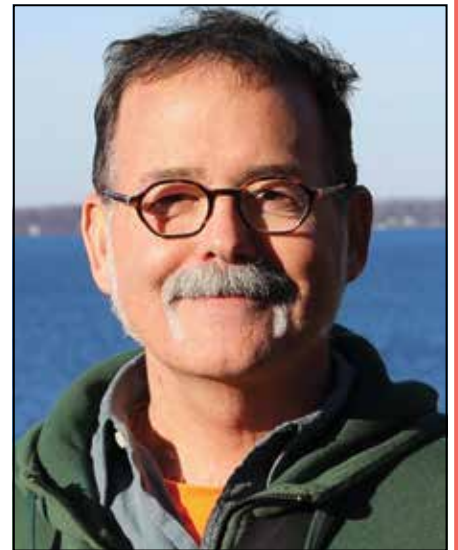
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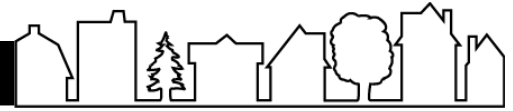
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TLNA Neighborhood Grant Application

TLNA Neighborhood Grants help sponsor neighborhood projects, events, and organizations that foster positive neighbor interaction. Please complete the application and mail to PO Box 703, Madison, WI 53701. You can also find the application on our website at www.tenneylapham.org/web-data/pdfs/grantapplication.pdf and email your application to tlna.newsletter@gmail.com. Attn: TLNA Neighborhood Grant. After review, you will be contacted by the budget committee about the status of your grant and may be asked to attend a TLNA meeting to provide further information.

Name:

Address:

Are you a TLNA Member? YES NO

Please indicate whether funding is sought for a Project, Event, or Donation.

Requested funding amount:

Please describe how your event, project, or organization benefits the neighborhood:

If applying for event or project, please fill out the following:

Title of Event:

Please indicate how you will promote the event:

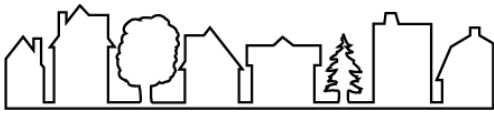
- TLNA Newsletter Article or Announcement (required)
- TLNA Listserv Announcement (required)
- Flyers to neighborhood/posted at neighborhood businesses
- TLNA Facebook page
- TLNA website
- Other (provide details)

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

A few things to keep in mind:

- All TLNA grant-sponsored events should be open to all TLNA residents.
- TLNA should be allowed to promote and collect memberships at your event.
- Requests for funding can be between \$50-\$1000; larger requests over \$1000 may be considered after consideration during the annual budget process.
- Events should 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 within 60 days after your event.
- If approved, please include on promotional material: "This event is partially (or wholly) sponsored by the Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood Association."





City Council Allocates Money for Affordable Housing at the Messner Site

As usual the Tenney-Lapham neighborhood is seeing lots of developmental activity. Below are the most recent developments.

Houden Properties (700 block E. Johnson, south side)

Construction continues on this project. Two houses were moved to 827 E. Gorham and one house moved to a site on the same 700 block of E. Johnson. Four houses were demolished. The parking level that will be underneath the new apartment buildings and will be entered from Livingston Street is under construction.

Messner Site (1314, 1318, and 1326 E. Washington)

This proposal's rezoning request was approved by Common Council at their Nov. 20 meeting. Common Council has also allocated almost \$1million from its affordable housing fund for the project at its Dec. 4 meeting. The last major hurdle for the proposal is Gorman and Company receiving WHEDA tax credits. WHEDA announces their chosen projects statewide in the spring of 2019. The TLNA Steering Committee will have a chance to further weigh in on the exterior design (although perhaps not the massing) at a future meeting that will likely be held in the spring of 2019 after the project has been awarded the tax credits (if all goes well).

1000 block

E. Washington (east half)

The TLNA steering committee meeting for Stone House Development's proposal for the vacant lot between The Lyric and Ingersoll Street has issued its report to TLNA Council. The development team will present at TLNA Council's monthly meeting on Dec. 13 and likely consider any motions related to the proposal. Stone House plans an 11-story mixed-use building along E. Washington that will be similar to the Lyric – 3 stories of commercial with 7 stories of apartments and an 11th floor common space. A 3-story enclosed parking level would be behind the tower, also similar to behind the Lyric.

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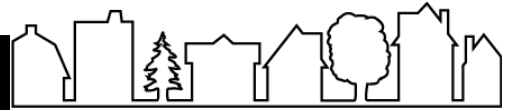
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formances and education. More details on the TLNA development website.

Renaissance Property Group (Blount/Johnson)

Construction is finishing up on the new 3-story E. Johnson build-

ing (next to the Caribou) with ground floor commercial space and 21 micro-units. Opening date for the apartments is advertised as Dec. 15. No word on when construction of the 8-unit apartment building at Dayton and Blount will start or the promised exterior renovations of the three houses on N. Blount and the one home moved from E. Johnson to E. Dayton.

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- Patrick Heck
TLNA's Development Chair

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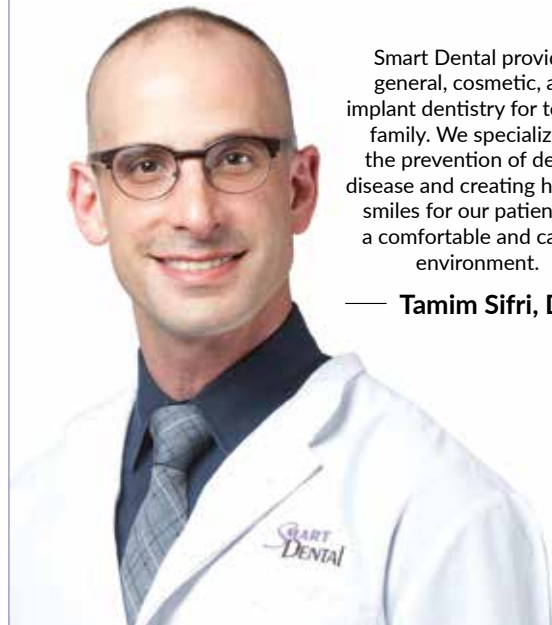
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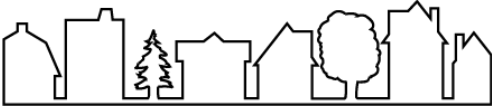
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Business

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Street location, and he let me know he lost the lease there in 2013 due to the demolition and reconstruction of the 100 block. He had been looking ever since for a new location downtown. He almost got a location right on the Capitol square and was in the midst of ordering the new cabinetry when right at the last minute the location became the site of Rare Steakhouse on W. Mifflin. Commercial real estate agent Marty Rifken foiled Dr. Nelson's plans. Months later, Rifken contacted Nelson to have him consider leasing space in the Galaxie. "Can I trust you, Marty?" was David's first thought. Lucky for us, we now have a 5 star optometrist right in the Galaxie!



They have over 500 frames in the store to choose from. I was drawn to the Retro-specs brand. Deb let me know the founders scoured antique stores and auctions all over the country to come up with classic designs from the 20's and 30's and the classic 50's styles that truly are from the eras they represent. If I do get glasses again I'm seriously considering a 20's style rimless frame since

I was impressed with the name brand frames as I waited to speak with Deb last week to schedule the appointment.

I've always liked that suffragette look.



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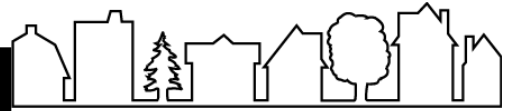


The primary is February 19th.

The Right Direction for Madison

Photo by Satya for Madison, Rebecca Kemble, treasurer

Business



Deb knew right away how to use my vision benefit and let me know insurance would cover frames for me again in 2019. This year I could try what they call multifocal contact lenses, so I picked up my trial pair just today and am finishing up this article with them in. They are comfy, took some getting used to, but within an hour and a half I'm not thinking about focusing, it just happens. Seems to me I can already recommend these for anyone who needs bifocals and doesn't (or wouldn't) mind wearing contacts.

Aside from the confirmation of needing bifocals, the exam last week went great. Everything in the Galaxie is so new and clean with the trendy color grey most prominent. The exam room is a warm, welcoming grey and there's a super neat setup with a mirror reflecting the familiar eye chart, brightly displayed on a large Apple monitor, that sits above the patient's chair. You wind up looking into a super clean mirror to view the letters and decide the correct lenses. I went for the traditional glaucoma check where my eyes needed to be dilated since it was dark out for the bike ride home, and my insurance didn't cover the \$35 retina scan. The retina scan is a newer cool technology and the result is a 3D picture of your eye that can detect any problems as good as an old painful method performed only by ophthalmologists. Maybe I'll

try the scan of my eyes next time, definitely worth it if it was a sunny day to avoid giant pupils in brightness.

I go back now on New Year's Eve to get a follow up appointment for another contact fitting. I'm enthusiastic about ordering more of these daily soft multifocal lenses. Also, I'll take another good long look at the Retrospecs rimless collection and consider a new look

in some timeless classic frames. Watch out Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Susan B Anthony! - we'll be celebrating 100 years of voting together in spirit.

I'm so happy we have Eye Contact right in the neighborhood. I suspect I'll be a returning patient for years to come.

- Jessi Mulhall



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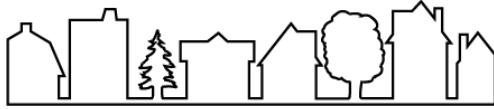

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How Tenney-Lapham Voted in November

Governor

	<u>Evers/Barnes</u>	<u>Walker/Kleefisch</u>	<u>Others</u>	<u>Total Vote</u>
Ward 44 (Tenney Park Pavilion)	1493	76	33	1602
Ward 45 (Lapham School)	2740	214	69	3023

Attorney General

	<u>Kaul</u>	<u>Schimmel</u>	<u>Others</u>	<u>Total Vote</u>
Ward 44 (Tenney Park Pavilion)	1482	81	20	1583
Ward 45 (Lapham School)	2735	236	35	3006

U.S. Senate

	<u>Baldwin</u>	<u>Vukmir</u>	<u>Others</u>	<u>Total Vote</u>
Ward 44 (Tenney Park Pavilion)	1527	81	2	1610
Ward 45 (Lapham School)	2807	211	4	3022

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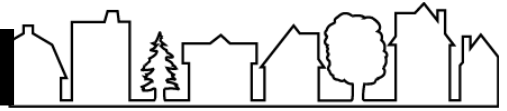
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These Little Lights

In these scratched and snaky bulbs,
discovered this morning from their hidey hole,
marked X-mas in your hand, half-capitals,
half not, I can see way back.

Past cotton fields where you grew round
until you were laid up with a bad back
or lay down with child.

By these little lights, I am led
to the eventual textile mill, the plant
that, as a child, I mistook for a living thing.

In my mind, Mama, these memories are mixed,
tangled worse than closet haunts can do
with the Bible song you had me sing,
trembling, before the Baptist congregation.

“This little light of mine ...”

This milky blue has a bum eye
like the mule you said Dad rode
to court you. It now fetches you again.

Each year we tried them, a child at
every third connection to keep them off the floor.
As they snarl on my carpet, with only me now
to hold up my corner of tradition, I hear your angry litany:

This string won't make it another year, resolved
as one loose red or green would short the set;
that found, another.

Despite your murderous threats, Mother,
none of us was scared.
Even then, we knew you didn't curse X-mas.

And I know this year I'll find
the loose connection.

For by these little lights
I finally see your heart.

And by the light of your failing heart, I live.

- Norma Gay Prewett

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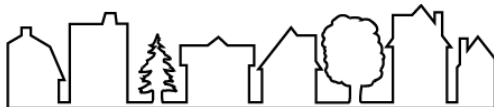
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Mayor's Report

Public Market Heading to Fleet Services Building

I hope you were able to see some of the local coverage of our early December announcement that the future home of the Madison Public Market will be the current Fleet Services Building at the intersection of First Street and East Johnson Street. I am really excited about this change for a number of reasons.

This site allows us to build the dynamic, diverse Public Market that our City wants. The location is only moved about 250 feet but the space is 60% larger. The original plan was for 28,000 square feet while this building offers 45,000 square feet. I am excited that nearly 200 local vendors have submitted formal interest already, and this space will allow us to better address this remarkable response.

The lot size of this facility is much bigger, as it is a 3.5 acre site. That will allow for the possibility of an outdoor plaza, outdoor seating a performance

stages and maybe food cart areas.

The building itself, although appearing pretty standard on the outside, has some really great features and character on the inside, and this decision contributes to our sustainability efforts. The reuse of an existing City building is really a great opportunity that I am pleased we are able to benefit from. The building additionally has a flat roof where we may consider green roof options for more sustainability.

The area around the building will allow for more bike and vehicle parking and will be more accessible for large delivery trucks and traffic flow.

Nothing happens overnight, we all know that! The Public Market Foundation has already raised \$1-million of the \$4-million they are seeking. Current plans call for the Fleet Services to move into a new facility in 2020, allowing for the renovation of this

building to be completed in 2021. I will provide additional news on this great project as we move forward.

Stay well and stay warm!
- Paul R. Soglin

2019 Elections

February 19
- Spring Primary

April 2
- Mayor
- Alderperson
- School Board

Merger Approved!

How many of you know about Tenney-Lapham Corporation? TLC was formed many years ago to foster low-income development in our neighborhood as a non-profit. In the past many years, TLC has helped TLNA as a sibling organization, assisting TLNA with fundraising, such as for treating ash trees. TLC was also fundamental in helping to raise funds for the Tenney Park Shelter.

As leaders of TLC and TLNA assessed our relationship, it was time to combine the two organizations as they are both closely aligned to support our neighborhood. On December 17, TLNA and TLC voted to merge. As we have evolved, this change brings the best of both groups under one roof. We'll be able to reduce some duplication of effort and TLNA will be a non-profit as a result.

In the coming weeks we'll be working out some of the details. I'd like to salute Tenney-Lapham Corporation for their many accomplishments over the years and their support to the neighborhood.

- Patty Prime, TLNA President



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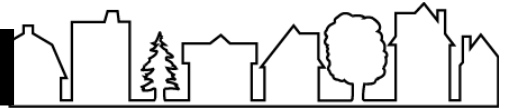
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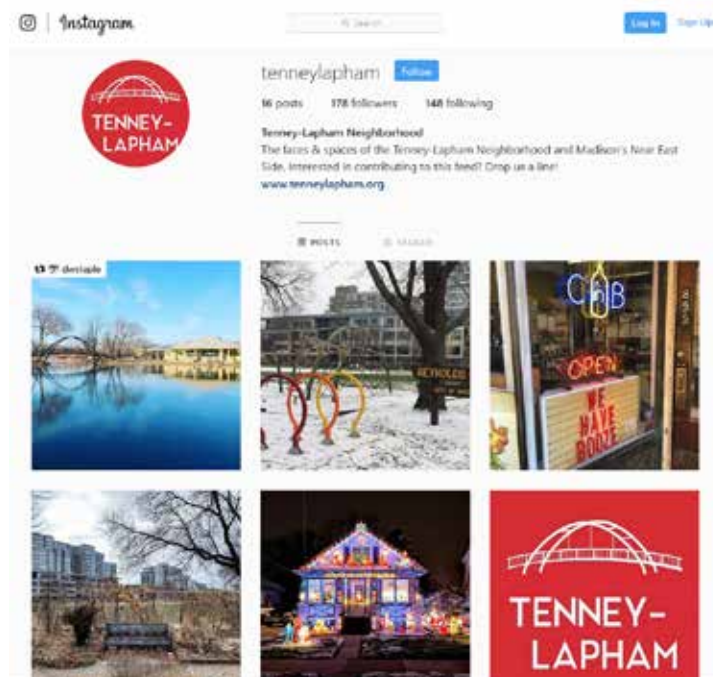
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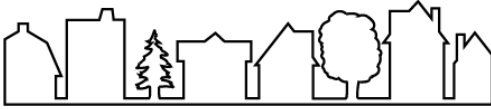
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