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NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

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Patty Prime is awarded the 2019 Erlanger Award

Mayor Satya Rhodes-Conway announced in November that Patty Prime is the recipient of the 2019 Jeffrey Clay Erlanger Civility in Public Discourse Award.

The award was created by the Common Council to honor Madison residents who exemplify Jeff Erlanger's model of fairness, openness, and civility in public discourse. Jeff, who passed away in 2007, was committed to public service. He understood that through civil debate and effective representation those with varying opinions could come together on how to solve issues within the community. Mr. Erlanger served on the City of Madison's Economic Development Commission and chaired the Commission on People with Disabilities as well as the Board of Directors of the Community Living Alliance.

This year's award winner, Patty Prime, has served as the President of the Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood Association for five years and has guided the neighborhood through intensive development issues, greenspace preservation, planned for comprehensive transportation safety, worked to retain ash trees in neighborhood parks and stewarded the development of over 89 existing units of housing and an additional 100 units of affordable housing.

"Being a member of the team that selects the Civility in Public Discourse Award has been a highlight of my year," said Pam Erlanger, Jeff's mother. "I am so pleased to present the award to Patty Prime as she clearly has been a leader in Madison, stepping up and facilitating productive conversations often with folks who don't agree on an issue. We need more community leaders like her."

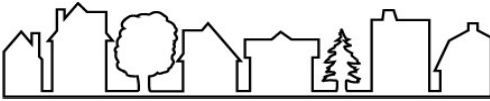
"I have known Patty for a number of years," said



Mayor Rhodes-Conway. It is humbling to honor Jeff's memory with this award and I think Patty is an excellent choice. Her work in bringing neighbors together for the betterment of our community is just what Jeff strived to do. I am sure he would be pleased with this selection."

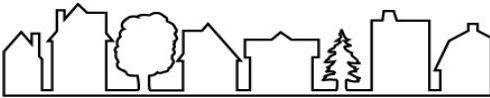
This year for the first time, as the result of the establishment of a fund within the Madison Community Foundation, the awardee and the nominator are able to designate a \$250 contribution to the non-profit of their choice. Patty Prime has selected The Road Home, Dane County as her choice and Bob Klebba has selected OutReach LGBT Community Center.

The Erlanger Award is an annual recognition and was presented at the December 3, 2019 Common Council meeting, which is the closest meeting to Jeffrey Erlanger's birthday of November 30.



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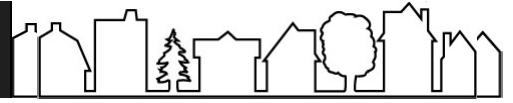
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Meet the new TLNA President!



My name is Jonny Hunter and I am excited and honored to be the new Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood Association

(TLNA) council president. I have lived in this neighborhood for 22 years; 15 years in my current home. There is so much to love about the Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood but one of the best is how scenic our neighborhood is during the winter. To embrace the winter and all it offers is one of my favorite things to do. The thrill of the sledding hill at Giddings Park and the peace of skiing on the lake are two of my top winter activities right here in our neighborhood. As I write this, Tenney Park Lagoon appears to have just frozen over and I am so looking forward to the joys that lie ahead in skating there. I love how winter at Tenney Park brings so many neighbors together--around the fireplace or picnic tables in the John Wall Family Pavilion, on the hockey rink, or out on the lagoon. Tenney Park is such a gem of this neighborhood, and something that I never tire of and never take for granted.

Every year, the TLNA spends time thinking about how to improve our neighborhood and foster positive interactions between and among all neighbors. We want to create more opportunities for all neighbors to engage

with neighborhood events and projects. Our neighborhood and our neighborhood association thrives when we are involved in our community as volunteers and organizers. Current TLNA committees address neighborhood interests and issues related to many topics, including parks, traffic, social events, communications, and development.

This past year, TLNA funded the new neighborhood sign at the Gorham/E. Johnson split and the new bike racks at Reynolds Park. We provided funding for the Lapham School Garden and the Lapham School Acute Needs Fund, purchased the native fruit trees for the Tenney Edible Forest initiative organized by neighborhood permaculture enthusiasts, treated park trees for Emerald Ash Borer, and supported many other small neighborhood projects. TLNA organizes and helps fund numerous neighborhood events including Taste of Tenney and Party in the Park.

A key focus for the TLNA this year is on how the council interacts with neighbors and publicizes what it does. These communications efforts are being led by Patty Prime, the incredible former president of the TLNA. A core goal for TLNA is to update the electronic tools we use for communication. Already we have switched over to a more robust listserv and are planning to update the website. If you aren't yet on the listserv, visit www.tenneylapham.org to sign up. We also plan to launch a digital membership sign-up and renew-

al, making it easier for people to become members. If you aren't yet a member of TLNA (\$10/individual; \$20/household), please consider joining. For now, you can download a form at www.tenneylapham.org/join.html.

I'm so excited to have Patty as a model and mentor for this position. In her tenure as TLNA president, she guided the neighborhood through enormous change but also focused on smaller projects that tangibly strengthened and bettered our neighborhood. Here's to another year of productive and collaborative TLNA work!

-Jonny Hunter

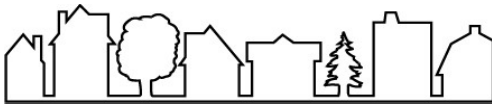


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News from Patrick Heck, District 2 Alder



Tenney-Lapham continues to be one of the most active neighborhoods in Madison and District 2 continues to be amongst the busiest alder districts.

As most of you see and experience, construction of new buildings continues, businesses are coming and going, our streets are busy with car traffic, and the number of people cycling and walking around the neighborhood seems to be growing. More bikers than ever are braving our winter weather and bus users abound.

While all of this activity keeps your alder hopping, it is also a sign that Tenney-Lapham is a desirable and interesting place to live and work. We struggle at times to absorb more neighbors, but generally, folks have embraced Madison's need for more housing, including affordable options. The neighborhood appreciates that increasing housing density has the potential to make our lives more sustainable and lower our collective carbon footprint by enabling the development of better pedestrian and bike infrastructure, Bus Rapid Transit, and a more robust overall bus system. Thanks for supporting these goals.

Many of you have contacted me with your ideas and concerns about the impacts of our growth and other matters; I greatly appreciate your thoughtful input. I also hope that you will continue to work with our neighborhood association, TLNA, to gather community input and develop solutions. The power of our communal voice is much stronger

than our individual voices and it amplifies my voice as your representative on Common Council.

Below are some recent highlights from my weekly alder updates and other news.

2020 City Budget

In November the City's 2020 Budget was negotiated and approved. It includes a tax levy of \$250 million and \$96 million in General Obligation borrowing. This represents a 3.4% increase in tax levy and a 25.1% decrease in borrowing as compared to 2019. The increase in property tax to the average home (valued at \$300,000) is \$94.47. The substantial increase in property tax bills seen by many Tenney-Lapham neighbors is primarily driven by large increases in property assessments rather than the increase in tax levy. Note that the 3.4% levy increase does not include the \$40/vehicle registration fee that also was adopted by Common Council.

The budgeting process was a great learning opportunity for alders like me who are new to the Council. We heard detailed presentations and pored over hundreds of pages of Capital and Operating Budget proposals from city agencies as we studied revenue sources, borrowing options, and each department's 5-year Capital Improvement Plan. The Operating Budget and the Capital Budget are what allow the city to perform its many functions, deliver a myriad of services, to pay our almost 3,000 employees, and to continue modernizing our infrastructure as the city both ages and grows.

Budget highlights include approval of the Mayor Rhodes-Conway's budget proposals to work towards implementation of Bus Rapid Transit. Capital costs for creating the BRT system and the first route are esti-

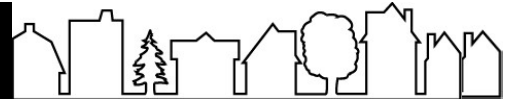
mated at \$120 to \$130 million, with up to \$100 million of that coming from a federal grant that has yet to be secured. I worked with Alder Tag Evers on a successful amendment that added \$500,000 to the city's affordable housing fund, that when combined with another increase that the Mayor submitted, results in \$5.5 million per year for affordable housing projects going forward. Alder Evers and I also added language that expands the possibilities for usage of those funds beyond large developments that receive WHEDA tax credits. It is now clear that housing cooperatives, tiny houses, and other models of affordable housing can be considered for affordable housing fund usage.

New Lights Coming on Reynolds Park Courts Moving Forward

The Parks Department is moving forward with the lighting project on the top of the water reservoir in Reynolds Park, although they have reduced the scope of the lighting to address the concerns expressed by nearby neighbors. The option to install 50' tall light poles with brighter athletic-style lighting was not chosen.

Parks plans to install security-style lights on 25' tall poles and reduce the number of poles from the proposed 10 to only 4, concentrated so that they provide lighting for the bike polo court. The tennis courts will likely not see expanded access in the evenings because the 4 new lights are not bright enough for tennis and will not be placed near the tennis courts. The fixtures will be state-of-the-art, there will be effectively no light spillage beyond the nearby park sidewalks, and they will meet dark sky specifications.

The project will include installa-



tion of lighting on the exterior staircase of the building, which should significantly increase safety in that portion of Reynolds Park. The Parks Department tells me that the court lights will be off unless users either reserve a court online or there will be a device for manually turning the lights on for play (which method is TBD). Regardless, the lights will be on only when courts are in use and will be off by 10pm at the latest.

Salvation Army Redevelopment Proposal

As you've likely heard, the Salvation Army proposal for a new and expanded shelter for families and women at 630 E. Washington Avenue was approved by the Plan Commission on Nov. 11. A group of neighbors filed an appeal petition challenging the Plan Commission's approval, but the City Attorney's Office and Planning Division staff concluded that not enough signatures were obtained for the appeal to move forward.

Since then, the Salvation Army has obtained a \$500,000 commitment from the city's Affordable Housing Fund for the apartment building proposed along E. Mifflin that will have mostly income-capped apartments. Sometime in the spring of 2020, they will hear if they have obtained WHEDA tax credits for that same building. The Salvation Army earlier obtained a \$1.3 million commitment from Dane County for the redevelopment effort. The Salvation Army is also expected to conduct a capital campaign to raise the substantial amount of funding that they need for the redevelopment.

One of the conditions of approval that the Plan Commission placed on the redevelopment states that once the shelter is complete, the Salvation Army will host quarterly community meetings that will include the public, TLNA, the business community, the

District 2 Alder, the police department, and other city entities. I suggested this condition so that lines of communication and relationships in general will be stronger than in the past. My plan, however, is to start meeting sooner rather than later so that the impacts of the Salvation Army's operations can be addressed in both its current and future configurations. Many nearby neighbors have continually expressed concerns that the shelter will not be able to handle increased capacity, but if all stakeholders, including the Salvation Army, work diligently and as a team, I believe we can address many of the issues. The configuration of the new campus should help with respect to some concerns, but an ongoing and open dialogue with all stakeholders will be key.

Lyric II and Madison Youth Arts Center Project

The pile driving is over, but the construction of the Lyric II mixed-use project and the Madison Youth Arts Center at N. Ingersoll and E. Washington/E. Mifflin continues. Cement trucks and other construction traffic and parking are now the predominant inconveniences. Stevens Construction, the contractor for Stone House Development's Lyric II tower and parking ramp, reports that concrete pouring of each floor

for the tower and ramp will continue until mid- to late June. CG Schmidt, contractor for MYAC, is expected to start their concrete pouring in April and also ending in June.

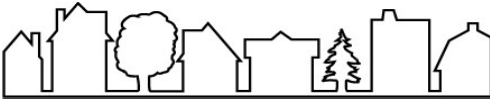
Valor Demolition and Construction Starting

By the time you read this, demolition of the old Messner buildings is likely to have started on the 1300 block of E. Washington for the Valor project by Gorman and Company. The Valor will provide long-awaited affordable housing and services for veteran-led families. Valor's 59 apartments will have 2- or 3-bedrooms and will include 9 market rate units, 44 apartments reserved for those families making somewhere between 50% and 60% of Dane County Median Income (CMI). Six more apartments will serve families who make no more than 30% CMI.

Please don't hesitate to contact me with questions about your neighborhood, the district, or the city. While I may not be able to answer all questions, I can certainly point you to the right city department or resource.

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Traffic Calming Issues in Tenney-Lapham Bob Klebba, Transportation and Safety Chair

A neighborhood committee has been meeting to identify traffic safety issues in Tenney-Lapham. Input was received at two public meetings and through the neighborhood listserv. Our goal is to establish a neighborhood plan for multi-modal transportation issues that we can use for improving traffic safety. This plan will be a living document which will change over time, as the neighborhood changes. But more importantly we will be able to use the plan to prioritize improvements and address new construction as it occurs.

We started this process by soliciting input from neighbors. Our

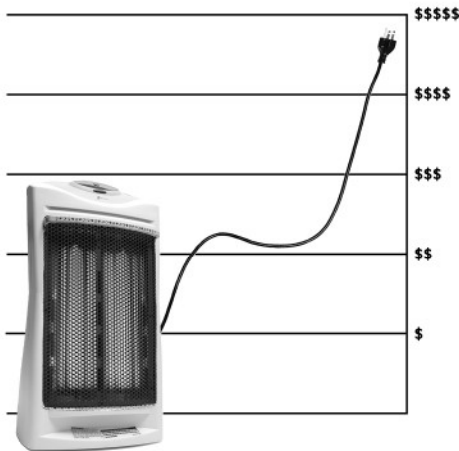
ground-up approach resulted in 104 different traffic calming issues. Due to City agencies' attention to equity across Madison, we know that Traffic Engineering would allow us only a small number of traffic calming measures, certainly not all the issues we documented. So, we attempted to assign importance first by using criteria defined in Traffic Engineering's Neighborhood Traffic Management Plan. These criteria prioritize more heavily by motorized vehicle traffic, so any issue on E Washington, E Johnson and E Gorham bubbled to the top.

Our committee felt that the NMTP approach doesn't sufficiently prior-

itize other traffic calming issues in the neighborhood like the East Mifflin Bike Boulevard and safer pedestrian and bicycle access to Lapham School. Furthermore, some issues that certain parts of Tenney-Lapham feel strongly about don't register at all in a prioritized ranking.

At this point, our committee is working on a plan that documents the 104 issues from higher perspective by using traffic calming concepts and geographic areas to group these issues. They break down as follows:

Lapham School - There are many traffic calming measures that would slow motorized vehicles around



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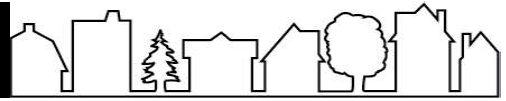
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Lapham. The school is also on the East Mifflin Bike Boulevard, so both areas would benefit from traffic calming. Examples of issues submitted for Lapham include more stop signs on Ingersoll and Brearly, speed humps on Ingersoll and Brearly and more expensive measures like raised intersections around the school.

Superblock – A superblock is a very large commercial or residential “block” barred to through traffic, crossed by pedestrian walks and sometimes access roads. This is not a new concept for Tenney-Lapham. In the 1970’s turning left onto N Few and N Livingston into the neighborhood from east-bound E Washington was eliminated, reducing cross traffic. (The intersection at Livingston has since been redone). And a car diverter was installed last year at Blair on the bike boulevard. Some of the 104 issues fall into this category such as no right turn onto E Mifflin from north bound Baldwin during rush hours.

Vision Zero - Vision Zero is a strategy to eliminate all traffic fatalities and severe injuries, while increasing safe, healthy, equitable mobility for all. While Vision 0 may have a greater impact on the City as a whole, there are some ideas we can implement in Tenney-Lapham, such as reducing speed limits to 20 mph on local streets and 25 mph on E Washington.

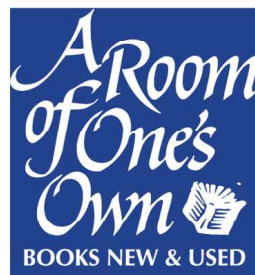
East Mifflin Bike Boulevard – The developments on E Washington have significantly impacted the bike boulevard and our neighborhood council has assiduously worked with developers and Traffic Engineering to protect this thor-

oughfare. There is more work to be done, such as calming on the 1000 block and making the interaction with motorized vehicles safer. In our plan we will also list the completion of the connection to the Yahara Parkway in the 1400 block.

Low hanging fruit – These are the issues that are seemingly inexpensive and easy to implement. For example the temporary stop signs at Elizabeth and Baldwin could be made permanent without much apparent effort. Reversing the direction of one-way Washburn and Prospect Pl could also be done. However we need to keep in mind that each change requires review from Traffic Engineering, emergency services, Madison Metro, etc. We also need to consider that as a neighborhood, we need to prioritize and thus to limit our traffic calming requests to those that work within the resources of the City.

Our goal is to have a plan for review at the January TLNA council meeting. Then, the council will decide how best to move forward. If you have any feedback on this article or on what you think is an important traffic concern, please get in touch with me.

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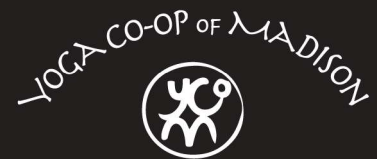
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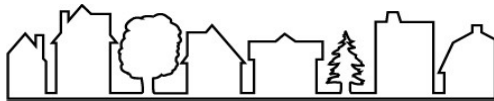
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Anyone who has moved or who has never voted in Wisconsin will need to register. If you are at least 18 years old and have a valid Wisconsin driver license or DMV ID you can register online at MyVote.wi.gov up to 20 days before the election. Your current name and address must be in the DMV database, but the address printed on your DL or ID does not matter.

Any Madison resident not able to register online can register by mail, at a Madison Public Library, or the City Clerk's office using a paper registration form. Voters are able to register at the City Clerk's office until the Friday before the election

or at the polls on Election Day, though registering early is recommended to avoid waiting in lines. You will need to show proof of residence (POR) when using a paper form to register. Examples of valid POR can be found at <https://elections.wi.gov/sites/elections.wi.gov/files/2019-01/27-28%20Proof%20of%20Residence%202019.pdf>

You can go to MyVote.wi.gov to check your registration, find your polling place, request an absentee ballot, or print a registration form.

An approved photo ID is required when voting. The most common ID's used are a WI driver license, WI DMV ID card, or a US passport. Out-of-state driver licenses do not work. UW students can get a special ID at Union South and will also need to show proof of enrollment. For other options see bringit.wi.gov/.

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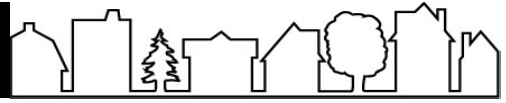
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By working together – to be energy efficient, to support renewable energy, to advance cleaner transportation – we can achieve net-zero carbon electricity for our customers by 2050. The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) has identified carbon neutrality by 2050 as a benchmark for limiting global warming to 1.5 degrees Celsius. MGE’s goal is based on the latest climate science, and our strategies—clean energy, energy efficiency and conservation, and the electrification of other end uses such as transportation—are the same as those identified by the IPCC. We believe we can go further faster toward our goal by working with our customers.

With your support, we are working aggressively to decarbonize our energy supply mix. Since announcing clean energy goals under our Energy 2030

framework just four years ago, we have developed a number of renewable energy projects to serve our customers—and we’re not done yet.

- Our first Shared Solar project in Middleton came online in January 2017.
- In 2018, we purchased a 16-megawatt (MW) share of the Forward Energy Center wind farm in Wisconsin.
- Our 66-MW Saratoga, Iowa, wind farm began generating in early 2019.
- Construction is underway on two large-scale solar projects, Two Creeks Solar and the Badger Hollow Solar Farm, totaling 100 MW.
- MGE has a proposal to purchase another 50 MW from phase two of the Badger Hollow Solar Farm.
- We’re expanding our Shared Solar program with a 5-MW solar project at Morey Field in Middleton.

- We’re partnering with Dane County to build 9 MW of solar at Dane County Regional Airport.

As the IPCC states in its October 2018 report, carbon neutrality will require technologies to develop further and become more cost-effective. We are working with scientists at the UW-Madison’s Nelson Institute for Environmental Studies for expert input and analysis as we chart our pathway to net-zero carbon electricity for our community.

MGE’s roots in the Madison area date back more than 150 years. Together, we share not only this great community, but we share long-held values and ambitious goals. Join us in working, growing and charging our own unique path forward.

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MGE Chairman and President and CEO

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Artisan Dental Recognized as a Force for Positive Change!

Artisan Dental LLC was recognized with a 2019 Force For Positive Change award on November 15. Marquette University and the Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation announced the winners of the 2019 Force for Positive Change awards. This year’s awards were the third time this statewide competition recognized social entrepreneurship as a model for solving social or environmental challenges in a way that is sustainable, just and generates impactful change in Wisconsin.

Winners were selected based on:

- the extent to which the organization has strong connections to Wisconsin through its staff, investors, directors, clients/customers
- degree to which their organization values and measures beneficial societal impact in Wisconsin
- ability to demonstrate financial sustainability \
- degree to which their organization pursues an innovative approach to a societal challenge in Wisconsin;
- the probability of continued success and ability to be a force for positive change in Wisconsin
- the organization’s plans for future implementation and growth; and
- the scalability and replicability of the organization’s approach to creating lasting positive



impact in Wisconsin.

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- Can be a for-profit, nonprofit or hybrid entity.
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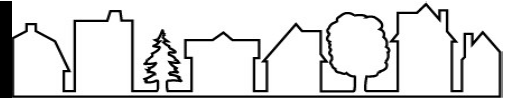
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If you attend one of our meetings or social events, you will likely be asked to join and a form will be provided; you may join on the spot or mail in at your convenience.

Throughout the year, we contact our current members to ask them to renew. We don't give up on this and we keep trying to find you. Sometimes it takes a while, but you're very good at coming through on this. You could help us further by recommending us to others in your household, friends and neighbors

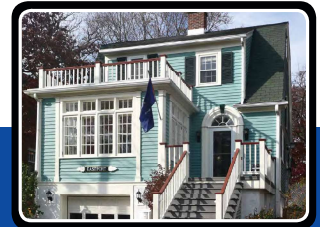
While we will continue all of the above efforts, our Communications Chair Patty Prime is working to develop additional easier ways to increase our contacts. As they are perfected, we will incorporate them in our activity. Please expect that contact over the coming months. I appreciate your continued and generous support.

All the best to you,
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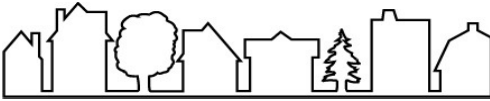
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Learn more: cleanlakesalliance.org/frozen-assets

Frozen Assets Festival!

Join Clean Lakes Alliance on Saturday, February 8th for the sixth annual Frozen Assets Festival, presented by Lands' End! This fun community tradition is returning to The Edgewater with FREE, family-friendly activities on frozen Lake Mendota!

We'll have sleigh rides, curling, ice science activities, dance performances, Funny Faces face painting, and more. Take a picture with Bucky Badger and try out snowshoeing for the first time – this event has fun activities for all ages. Don't forget about the free s'mores and hot chocolate!

We're also excited to announce the return of Kites on Mendota! Wisconsin Kites will be bringing back the big, colorful show kites to fly over Lake Mendota.

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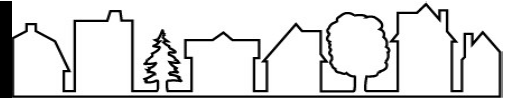

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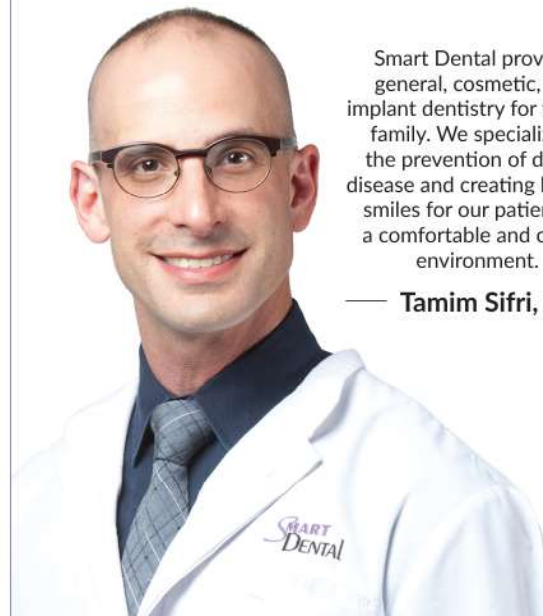
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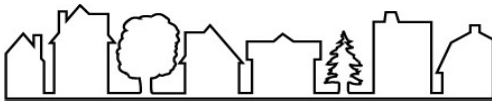
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What on Earth...Movers at Burr Jones Park?

While Burr Jones Park is not technically in the Tenney-Lapham neighborhood, it's hard to miss all the action just across the Yahara River when, this Fall, Burr Jones was suddenly a huge pile of mud! If you were in the area, you would have witnessed numerous tractors moving dirt all over the place like giant ants building hills and digging holes. You might have wondered out loud or to yourself, "what is going on?" Well, I'm happy to report all the chaos was due to the city working on a long awaited update to Burr Jones,

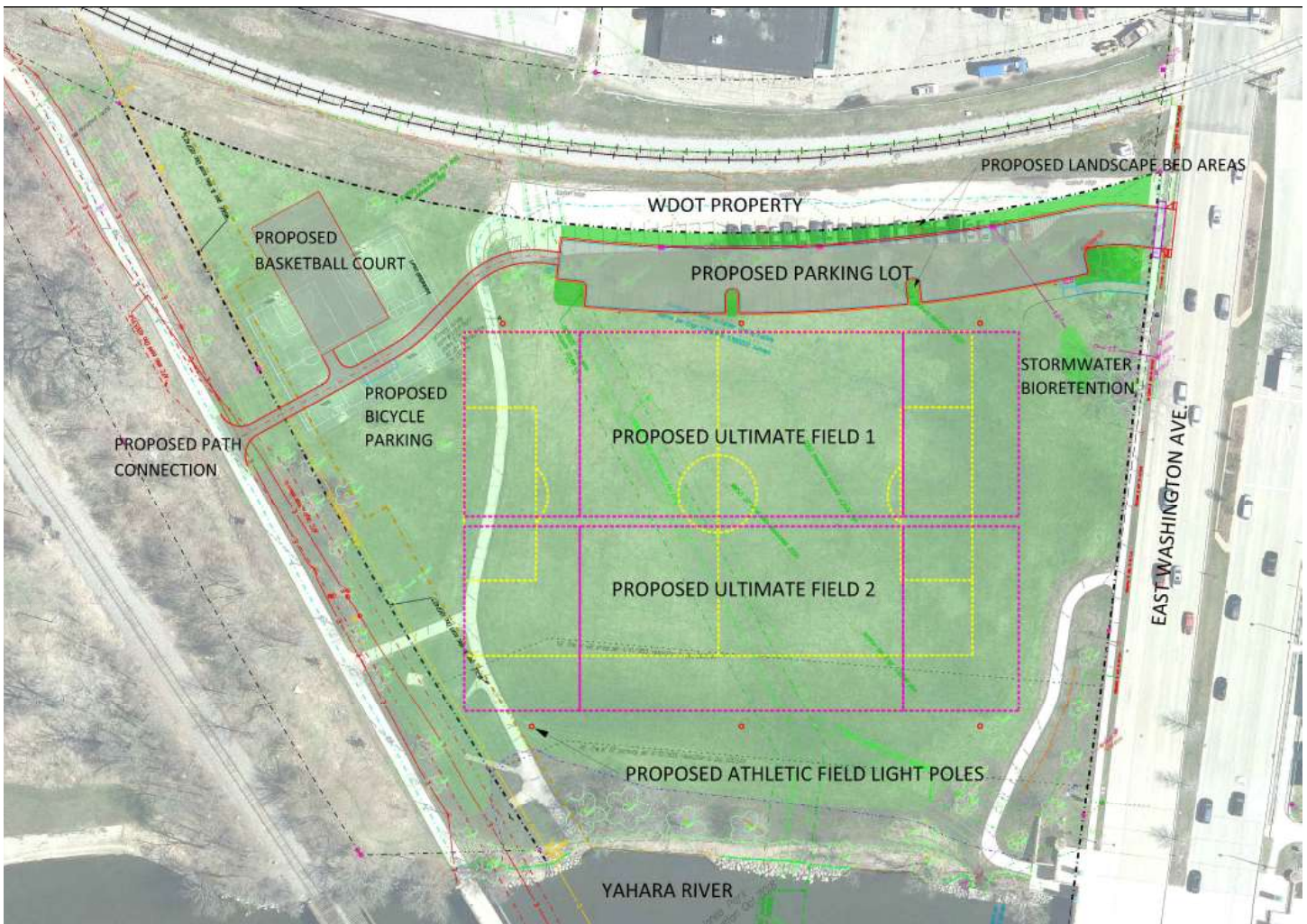
including improved athletic fields, additional bicycle parking, a new basketball court and the addition of an athletic field lighting system. Construction operations began on September 16, 2019, and completion is anticipated by May 31, 2020.

I even had a chance to attend a public meeting regarding Burr Jones in early 2019 and can share first-hand that ultimate frisbee enthusiasts were very excited to see the plans. I was surprised to hear at the public meeting that the current parking lot is consistently full, espe-

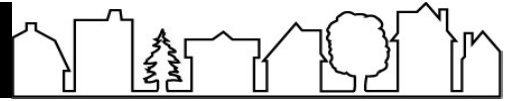
cially for games, so the plan for a larger parking lot will likely be a fan favorite. The plans include:

- two athletic fields, equipped with new lights for evening games
- redesigned paths through the park
- replacing two basketball courts with one
- a stormwater bioretention pond located along East Washington Ave.
- a larger parking lot
- a safety barrier along the railroad tracks.

There are many trees in the



Burr Jones Park



park today, including a particularly large oak tree and I am happy to share that the oak tree appears to be standing strong and I hope that it is not disturbed by all the ruckus.

Along side of the park project, the railroad bridge was replaced

in November, all in one dramatic day. You really must watch this short video that shows the 550 ton crane putting in the new bridge.

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Do you have a question about a project happening in our neighborhood? It could be a story in the next newsletter. Send your questions to tlna.newsletter@gmail.com.

A Message from Mayor Satya

I am really pleased that the City of Madison is partnering with the UW Nelson Institute, the Wisconsin Institute on Climate Change Impacts (WICCI), and UW-Extension Dane County to help make Madison a climate-ready city. Together, these partners will help the City identify how a changing climate may affect City infrastructure and operations, so we can proactively plan to address those risks.

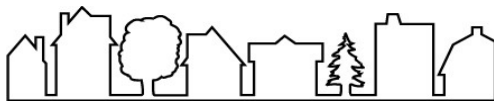
Madison is already experiencing significant climate impacts – most notably, the increase in precipitation and flooding – and we are al-

ready planning for a wetter future. But flooding is not the only consequence of climate change – we expect hotter summers, changes in winter snow melt, and more. With this collaboration, we will map out the most significant impacts and the necessary actions to prepare our city for the climate impacts that we know we'll face. The results of this process will be reported to me, the Common Council, and Sustainable Madison Committee, with implementation steps identified to act on major findings. I feel very fortunate that our University partners are able

to support the City in this effort.

This process is not intended to be a one-time exercise, but rather part of a process to continually consider future climate conditions in City planning, operations, and investments. The City is also working to reduce carbon emissions through investments in energy efficiency and renewable energy. You can help in these efforts by making your home more energy efficient, and reducing your carbon footprint. Stay warm!

--Mayor Satya



Our House, Your House



It is not the Sylvee, but it offers an intimate, respectful venue for a rich variety of acoustic, Americana, International, folk, among others. It's the home of our neighbors, Anne Katz and David Wallner at 451 North Few St. They have been offering evening house concerts for over eight years, under the name, "Our House." Their popular New Year's Eve concert will be their 60th offering!

I have personally enjoyed many of their concerts. Anne and Dave have also enjoyed the "business" of putting on the shows. "We have hosted many wonderful, grateful performers, fed them dinner and put them up for a night, and met a lot of new people through our concerts. A good number of our performers have become friends. We really feel that we are building community while helping under-appreciated traveling musicians make their living and make us happy with their music. We are always encouraging Madison friends to give house concerts a

try. The rewards are fantastic, in so many ways.

Of course it's not all glamour and rubbing shoulders with celebrities. "I mop and clean the house, buy the beer and wine," Dave said, "and Anne takes care of the food. We share the chair-hauling work, and often hire neighborhood kids to help us with bringing the chairs up from the basement. Anne is very particular about setting up the chairs. We both haul sound gear that the musicians bring, and I help with the pre-show sound checks. And then there is the clean-up work! Ugh!! But we have a good system and we get the post-concert stuff done in a couple hours, including putting the house back in order."

"We also share the publicity work to get the word out. Anne is more of a computer whiz than I am, so she oversees the Facebook page. I do most of the searching to find musicians to bring in, but we both have to agree before we book a group. We are now getting half a dozen

requests per month and we respond personally to each request. This past year we have gotten offers to play at Our House from all over the US and Canada, plus requests from a Brazilian guitar duo, a Swedish folk singer and a Welch singer-songwriter. The word is out that Our House is a fantastic place to play."

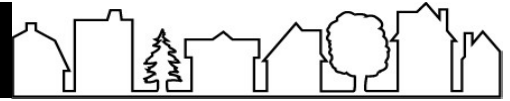
Concerts don't always go smoothly, according to Dave, "Well, we had one that was really nerve-racking. The trio Harpeth Rising showed up at 5 pm for a 7:30 pm start, looked around the living room, and said, 'Where's the sound system?' Luckily, we know people who have this kind of equipment. We made some quick calls and found a friend with the right kind of gear, who came over and set it all up just before the guests arrived. "

When using the term "business" to describe Our House, I do so loosely, since according to Dave, "When all is said and done, we don't make a nickel. All the proceeds from tickets go straight to our performers. They know they will be well paid, much better than playing in a bar or club, and they really appreciate making good money for their good work. And they really love playing to a listening room full of people who appreciate fine music."

Some of their favorite past performers include the Birds of Chicago, Brother Sun, Cris Plata, Claudia Schmidt, Ann Reed, Harpeth Rising, Martyn Joseph, Vance

Gilbert, Ellis Paul, Joe Crookston, Peter Mulvey, and the duo Patchouli.

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County Supervisor Update

Heidi M. Wegleitner, Dane County Board, District 2

County Expands Role in Cultivating Housing Access and Affordability

When I first joined the Dane County Board in April of 2012, Occupy Madison had an encampment on the 800 block of East Washington Ave, the current site of Galaxie High Rise Apartments and Festival Foods. In the months that followed, the Dane County Board passed a resolution recognizing housing as a human right, created a homeless issues committee, and opened a temporary day resource center. While the County pursued a meandering path in siting The Beacon, it remained committed to addressing housing insecurity and launched the Dane County Affordable Housing Development Fund (AHDF) with the 2015 Capital Budget.

The AHDF has steadily increased in size in the last five years. Last year, I successfully advanced an amendment to double the AHDF from \$3M to \$6M in 2019. While none of the 2019 RFP funds were awarded to projects in District 2, The Valor, a Gorman and Company project at the former Messner properties on the 1300 block of E. Washington, received over \$1M in 2018 for its 59 unit project (50 of the 59 are considered affordable). The 2020 Capital Budget increased affordable housing funding to \$6.6M. Of that amount, \$4M will be allocated via the 2020 RFP process, \$1.3M is

designated for The Salvation Army redevelopment project proposed at the 600 block of E. Washington Ave., and \$1.3M is designated for the Bayview Foundation redevelopment in the Triangle Neighborhood. In its first 5 years, the AHDF has awarded almost \$16M in funds, almost equally split between projects in the City of Madison (51%) and outside the City (49%), and created 1570 total units, of which 1,374 are considered affordable. While it is important to acknowledge this progress, the Dane County Housing Needs Assessment states the affordable housing gap for rental has increased about 27% since 2010 and is currently 13,050 units (the gap measures the number of renter households paying more than 50% of their monthly income to rent.)

Lastly, the 2020 Operating Budget includes County Executive Parisi's proposal to create a new Office of Housing Access and Affordability. This initiative aims to bring together the County's various housing development efforts, including the AHDF and federal HUD CDBG and Home funds, in one office. A new housing contract compliance position was added to the 2020 budget to support this work. I have been advocating for a housing staff position for the past eight years so I am very pleased to see this included in the budget. I am hopeful this new office and increased staffing will enable the county to better understand housing barriers, enforce new fair housing and tenant protection provisions added in 2019, and improve the funding process and the quality of our projects.



Decision on F-35 Expected Early Next Year

Since the scoping process began in early 2018, I have been -- continued on page 18

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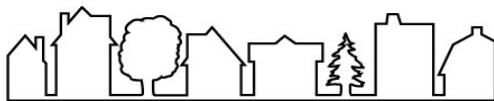
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--County Supervisor continued outspoken in my opposition to the F-35 being located at Dane County Airport, so close to dense residential neighborhoods, schools, daycares, and a disproportionate share of low income housing communities. In September of this year, I signed on to a letter co-authored by area supervisors opposing the F-35 coming to Madison. In October, I submitted a letter requesting the Air Force fulfill its obligation under federal rules to provide information to and engage with low income and minority communities disproportionately impacted by the F35 proposal.

I further requested it issue a revised environmental impact statement (EIS) to address significant gaps in information regarding sound levels, including peak sound levels, sound levels within 1 mile of the 65 dB contour, afterburner usage, the DNR directive regarding PFAS chemical investigation and remediation, the health impacts of the noise, the impact on the local economy, and the impact on our homeless population and affordable housing gap. At its December meeting, the City-County Homeless Issues Committee, on which I sit, voted to communicate its opposition to the F-35 proposal to Senators Baldwin and Johnson. It is my understanding that Senators have a practical veto

in January 2020 and the Air Force's Record of Decision will be released in following a 30 day waiting period from the final EIS. More information regarding the F-35 and organizing efforts to oppose the F35 in Madison may be found at <https://www.safeskiescleanwaterwi.org/>.

County Board Transition Brings Opportunity to Advance Transparency and Engagement Goals

In April, 2020, a new County Board will be sworn in and 9 supervisors, including the current County Board Chair and Vice Chair, will retire from office. Between now and then, I will continue advocating for a more transparent, engaging, and responsive county government. I will be asking the supervisors seeking leadership positions to support better tools for communicating with constituents, increased video-recording of committee meetings, and the right of the public to speak at all County Board meetings (including the budget deliberations). As always, please reach out to me on your areas of interest in local policy making. It is important that you have the information you need to engage on the issues that matter to you! I can be reached at wegleitner.heidi@countyofdane.com and 608-333-3676.

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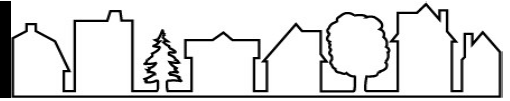
power of military basing decisions in their states so it is important to communicate your concerns to them. A final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is expected

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Our House Your House



--Our House, Your House continued

Their standard request of the musicians in advance of a show is, "Make us laugh, make us cry; tell heart-warming, and hopefully, hilarious stories about your travels; get people to sing along. Make beautiful music."

If that sounds like music to your ears, you can get more details about

upcoming shows by subscribing to their email list by writing anne-dave@chorus.net. Their Facebook page can be found @OurHouseConcerts. In addition to the New Year's show with The Acoustic Charlies, they are hosting Darren Sterud and his jazz trio on January 24, The Birds of Chicago on February 21 and The House of Hamill, a Celtic duo from Philadelphia, on March 27.

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