



# Tenney-Lapham newsletter

June, 1985

## Progress Slows on EMS

By Shaun Abshere

Despite any early momentum, complex projects often miss their deadlines, and so far the Madison Emergency Men's Shelter is no exception.

The city moved quickly when told by the Central YMCA last year that it would no longer provide shelter for single, homeless men after June 1, 1985. By late winter, the Common Council had approved 1001 E. Washington Ave. as the site of the new EMS; Jerome Mullins and Associates as site developer; and Catholic Social Services (Diocese of Madison) as site operator.

The council also tentatively approved a building renovation budget of more than a half million dollars and an annual operating budget of about the same size.

Having made the big decisions, the city must still resolve a number of smaller problems before work on the new shelter can begin.

According to Nancy Leazer, EMS project coordinator for the mayor's office, she and Mullins are currently negotiating a price for the EMS site. Because it will use Community Block Development Grant money to fund renovation and, therefore, must follow federal regulations,

the city's offer must include two sums: the lease price paid to Mullins during renovation and the purchase price after renovation. Ms. Leazer expected to receive on May 28, the developer's response to the city's first offer.

Once the lease/purchase negotiation is complete, she also must negotiate with Mullins the renovation costs of the site. The Common Council must then approve the lease/purchase and renovation costs before the developer begins work.

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## Picnic, Meeting June 27

The annual nominating committee meeting of the Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood Assn. and a pot-luck supper will be held June 27 at the Tenney Park shelter.

The supper will start at 5:30 p.m., followed an hour later by the meeting, at which time three people will be chosen for the association's nominating committee. Those three will meet in September with three members of the TLNA Council to choose nominees for the new council.

Any neighborhood resident is eligible to serve on the council, which welcomes new faces—especially for its vacant offices of education and social/membership.

People planning to attend the supper are asked to bring food according to the following schedule: last names ending in A through H, salads; I through O, main dishes; and P through Z, desserts. They should also bring their own silverware and plates; TLNA will provide refreshments.

Second District Alderperson David Wallner will attend the event to meet with residents and discuss issues and problems relating to the neighborhood. TLNA will have for sale 200 t-shirts in adult sizes with the neighborhood logo.

## Get Your Licks In!

TLNA and Christ Presbyterian Church Board of Deacons will cosponsor an ice cream social, 4-6 p.m. Sunday, July 14, in the park behind the church at 944 E. Gorham Street. In case of rain, the event will be held in the church's Fellowship Hall.

A charge of 50 cents per person will pay for all the ice cream you can eat. Tenney-Lapham t-shirts with the neighborhood logo also will be on sale.

Last year's ice cream social was a great success, and we're hoping for a fine turnout again this time. Mark your calendar!

## Alderman's Report

# Wallner Outlines Council Work

Has it really been seven weeks since April 2? It's never too late to say thanks to all of you who worked on our campaign or who voted for me in what turned out to be a very close, hard-fought race. And a special note of thanks to the other candidates—Jim Sturm, Richard Linster, and James Minnich—who worked hard and discussed the campaign's key issues fairly and intelligently.

I am currently on five committees and boards that cover a wide range of concerns for the 2nd District. These include the Community Services Commission, Pedestrian-Bicycle Committee, the Senior Center Board, Madison Energy Conservation Committee and the Building and Housing Code Study Committee.

### Community Services Commission

The C.S.C. deals with the city's purchase of services from many non-profit, community-based agencies and organizations. These groups provide services for the elderly, child care, counseling and self-help advocacy, emergency assistance, health and protection services and many more.

### Pedestrian-Bicycle Committee

For a neighborhood with an army of avid bicyclists, joggers and commuters-on-foot, this should be an important committee. Former Alderperson Pam Wrzeski also served on this committee, which will deal this summer with such issues as the School Crossing Guards placement and funding and the controversial Bike Monitor Safety Program.

### Senior Center Board

The Senior Center is located in the Capitol Centre at 330 W. Mifflin Street. It provides a "community focal point on aging where older persons, as individuals and in groups, come together for services and activities which enhance their dignity, support their independence and encourage their involvement in and with the community." In 1984 the city provided 52 percent of the center's budget.

### Madison Energy Conservation Committee

The M.E.C.C. is devoted to energy usage matters and assures full public debate on the city's energy use and conservation efforts.

### Building and Housing Code Study Committee

This body studies and reviews codes related to minimum housing and new construction and recommends changes when necessary to the city's building and housing codes.

If you have any questions or concerns that you feel should be addressed by any of these five committees, don't hesitate to call me about meeting times and locations.

### Traffic Issues

I have already received many calls about traffic problems in the area, and have discussed each complaint with the Traffic Engineering staff. Regarding pedestrian safety at Baldwin and Johnson, the crosswalks and stopbars at that corner will be repainted this summer. Many motorists fail to stop on Baldwin before reaching the crosswalk and encroach on the safe space for pedestrians. Hopefully, repainting the crosswalks will alleviate this problem.

A request to put up at least one stop sign on East Mifflin between Baldwin and Patterson was turned down by Traffic Engineering on the grounds that "stop signs are not effective in controlling overall traffic speeds." (This is an assumption I don't necessarily agree with. For residents living along this stretch of East Mifflin, a few calls to Traffic Engineering at 266-4761 might convince the city to reconsider.)

### Tenney Park

Grading will be done this summer on the park's "island" area, and a new volleyball court, requested by TLNA last fall, should be put in soon. For the 1986 parks budget, I have requested a second volleyball court for the area across Sherman Avenue near the lake.

In addition, I have also requested additional tree plantings and continued funding for shoreline stabilization around the lagoon. As you've probably already noticed, Tenney Lagoon is again choked with weeds. Weed-cutting in the lagoon should take place three times this summer, according to the 1985 budget. I intend to meet with the parks staff this summer to see what other alternatives can be used to improve the water quality and the appearance of what has become a real eyesore.

I have also requested funding for 1986 for

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# Lake Spraying Guidelines Set

Signs will be posted on Madison lakefront property during the periods of weed spraying on the lakes this summer, and Tenney Beach is among those to be closed on the days of the spraying.

The season's first spraying was scheduled for the first week of this month, according to Jill Schmidt of the city health department. Later sprayings, if necessary (Ms. Schmidt indicated there could be as many as three), would be determined by weed growth.

Ms. Schmidt noted that the authority to regulate weed spraying of the city's lakes rests with the state's Department of Natural Resources, and the state and federal governments control the standards of the chemicals used. The city's role, she said, is to inform residents so that they can decide for themselves whether to use the lakes during the times of spraying.

The contractor for the spraying is the Madison firm of Clean Lakes Associates, which solicited customers from the Madison-Monona Lakefront Property Owners Assn. A request for spraying must be submitted to the DNR, which will survey the weed situation and decide whether spraying is warranted. Another contractor will do the actual spraying, again under the supervision of the DNR.

A request for spraying in May was denied by the DNR on the grounds that weed growth was insufficient to require use of the herbicides, Ms. Schmidt said.

Signs about the spraying must be posted before, during and two days after the spraying, and notices will be published in the local newspapers. Spraying must be done during proper weather conditions, so the exact dates of spraying cannot be determined in advance. Beaches in the vicinity of the spraying will be closed that day. Tenney Beach is among those affected, but Vilas, Olbrich and James Madison Beaches will remain open during the days of spraying.

The herbicides used this year will not include 2-4-D, which contains trace amounts of a type of dioxin and was used in spraying operations two years ago. The group of chemicals used this year "is deemed safe by the state and federal governments at the levels and manner in which they are used," Ms. Schmidt said. "Whether or not these chemicals are really safe ultimately comes down to a political decision."

"What we're doing at the city level is providing people with sufficient information to make a responsible decision," she stated.

## Clarenbach Poll Refutes Conservative Tilt

Madison voters generally continue their progressive views on key legislative issues, according to a recent survey by the office of State Rep. David E. Clarenbach.

The poll consisted of a scientifically valid sampling of 1,400 voters from our area, and the results clearly dispel the perception that Madison is becoming more conservative, Clarenbach said.

On issues like tax reform, only 5.4 percent of those surveyed felt that Wisconsin should reduce income tax rates for the wealthy, although Clarenbach noted that this seems to be the direction of state and federal governments. Forty-five percent of those polled felt that the budget should include the creation of additional brackets to tax incomes over \$51,600 at a higher rate. That figure represents the highest current income bracket, but Clarenbach has introduced a budget amendment that would create additional brackets.

On women's issues, nearly 80 percent favored a move by the state to implement legislation for

comparable worth. More than 87 percent of those surveyed supported a women's right to choice on abortion, and nearly 75 percent felt that the state should use public monies to fund abortions for women of lower incomes.

The survey also showed a strong commitment to the responsible investing of public funds. More than 68 percent favored stopping investments in companies which do business in South Africa or are involved in the production of nuclear weapons.

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# Sidney St. in Watch Program

Sidney Street is the first block in the Tenney-Lapham area to join the city's Neighborhood Watch crime prevention program.

The street's participation was recognized by the Madison Police Department a week after a May 7 meeting with interested residents and Police Officer Gary Smith, who explained the criteria

necessary to qualify for the program.

Several other blocks are now working to join the program. They include the 1200 block of Elizabeth Street, the 400 block of North Few and the 100 block of North Baldwin. Other blocks are encouraged to participate, as the benefits are cumulative.

To join the program, half or more of the residents of a block must agree to crime reporting and the engraving of their personal property. TLNA has engraving tools available from David Mandehr of 455 N. Few St., 256-5882. Other engravers can be obtained from the Police and Sheriff's Departments and the Madison Public Library. Admittedly, the engraving takes some time, but it does make the program effective.

The Police Dept. Neighborhood Response Unit also offers a home security survey. Call 266-4145 for an appointment.

The TLNA Watch Committee would like to thank all those who have helped on this project, particularly Connie Davis and Pam Duffy for their considerable efforts, and Alderperson David Wallner for his encouragement and the use of the "Guide to Action: Crime Prevention in the Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood." Copies of the report are available from me at a cost of \$1.45.

Please call me at 251-1937 with any questions you might have about the program.

Richard Linster

## Editors' Notes

It's hardly hot news that former T-L Newsletter Editor David Wallner has moved into the larger forum of the Madison Common Council. We extend to him our congratulations and look forward to his representation on the council and continuing contributions to the newsletter.

Meanwhile, Mary Paulauskis and I, John Bell, are an issue late in introducing ourselves as the new editors. Mary has taken on the work of typing the finished copy, collecting ads, working with the printers and getting the newsletters to our area distributors. I'm preparing the copy, headlines and layout.

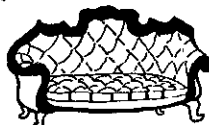
We hope you'll want to spend some time in reading these newsletters, that you'll find them a good source of information on the matters most directly related to the area in which you live. To that end, we encourage your participation in the newsletter—with comments, criticisms, letters, story ideas, news tips, finished copy and any suggestions on how we might make the newsletter a more readable, responsive bulletin to the residents of the Tenney-Lapham area.

What kind of articles would you like to see in the newsletter? Please let us know, by written word or phone.

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# Start Expected Soon on Johnson St. Building

Construction is expected to start this month on a combined commercial-residential building in the 800 block of E. Johnson St., the last phase of the three-lot redevelopment on that street by the Tenney-Lapham Corp.

Sale of the lot for about \$10,000 was expected early this month from TLC to Madison developer Gregg Shimanski. Last month, the city's Planning Commission and Common Council approved a zoning change that will allow Shimanski to build a two-story, wood frame building with two ground-floor commercial spaces and six one-bedroom apartments.

The new building will be similar to the adjoining 827 E. Johnson St. with the recently

re-opened Mildred's Sandwich Shop and two upstairs apartments. TLC also did extensive renovation of the duplex apartments at 835 E. Johnson St.

Shimanski and TLC will share the cost of landscaping and an eight-car parking lot behind the proposed building for use by the residents and patrons of the three buildings. Final approval of the project by the city's Urban Design Commission was expected early this month.

With that construction underway, TLC will enter a period of dormancy, according to Mark Koppelkam, who will soon leave the corporation's payroll as its director. Except for a bank account of about \$2,000 and the management of its properties, the corporation will have no immediate business.

Koppelkam said the Tenney-Lapham neighborhood is no longer one of the city's target areas for redevelopment funding, but the corporation's board is considering an application for a 1986 block grant.

Possible uses of a grant could include the construction of an apartment building on a vacant lot in the neighborhood; a shared effort with the Old Market Neighborhood Assn. for redevelopment in the area adjoining the two neighborhoods; or investment funding to attract a kind of retail business not already operating in the Tenney-Lapham area.

## TLNA Council

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Newport opened his shop in 1979, the same year he and his family moved from Chicago and a shop he'd run for three years in suburban Oak Park.

"My wife wanted to go back to school, and our daughter was about to enter first grade," said Newport of their reasons for moving to Madison, "a very pretty, manageable kind of town." Kathy just graduated from UW with a degree in English and is looking for a job teaching in a high school. Molly, now 12, is a student at Marquette Middle School. Their home, at 1118 E. Dayton St., is just a couple of blocks from the shop.

Newport spends all his working time at the shop. He doesn't bid for jobs or display his work at shows, nor does he take on remodeling jobs.

"I don't like to work on other people's houses," he said. "If you're trying to build

something onto another person's work you can run into all kinds of problems."

"In six years I've never reached the point where I was frantically looking for work. I have enough orders to keep me busy, and I want to spend my time doing what I do best."

Newport often hires on one or two part-time workers and has given some thought to expanding his shop into an adjoining space of the building at Johnson and Baldwin, which is otherwise without a commercial tenant. A used appliance business pulled out several months ago; a television repair shop closed this winter; and Bey Mills, an attempt to form a collective of artists making their own paper, folded last month.

Newport had been holding evening classes in woodworking at his shop, but he found the classes took too much of the time, tools and shop space he needs for his regular business.

A normally silent partner in the shop is Wilbur, a black Newfoundland-Great Dane who may often be seen sprawled over several sections of sidewalk in front of the shop.

The dog's responsibility, said Newport, is "putting a line of drool on anybody coming into the shop."

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## President's Notes

I don't like starting on a negative note, but here it is . . .

Summer (definitely a good thing) also means that children, cyclists, older people and neighbors in general are outdoors more of the time—playing, visiting, shopping, commuting. And TLNA is receiving its annual and increasingly numerous complaints concerning motor vehicles (cars, buses, motorcycles) that seem to totally ignore the posted speed limits in our area.

Not only Johnson, Gorham, E. Washington, Baldwin and Sherman are involved. Smaller streets report problems, too, and these are the streets most likely to have young children and older people at risk. And motorists who stick to the speed limit frequently find themselves being passed, dangerously, by cars weaving through traffic at up to 40 and even 50 miles per hour.

If you are concerned about speeding drivers on your street, please let us know.

On the positive side, the trees are in full leaf, the gardens are coming along, and swimmers, sunbathers and frisbee players of all ages are enjoying the parks and beaches. Not a bad place to live.

But watch before you cross the street. And have a good summer. We hope to see you at the annual TLNA picnic and meeting June 27 at the Tenney Park Shelter and at the ice cream social July 14 (see other articles on these events).

Martha Gordon

## TLNA Sale Nets \$300

TLNA raised nearly \$300 in its rummage sale April 27, the most ever in the seven years that the sale has been held.

The sales total reached \$923.15, with three-fourths of that amount returned to sellers. The proceeds will be used to help fund the newsletter and a play structure at the Lapham School playground.

Thanks go to the staff and members of Christ Presbyterian Church for the use of their building, and to Ann Rulseh for organizing and running the event.

## Discounts for Jobless

Jobless workers can save up to 30 percent at area businesses through the Unemployed Workers Action Discount Program.

More than 100 merchants, including health clinics, dentists, pharmacies and auto repair shops are part of the program, which is run by the Community Action Commission in Room 308 of the Lapham School building at 1045 E. Dayton Street.

CAC also offers a number of services to help people find work. The commission provides current information on free or low-cost training programs, job clubs, job boards and counseling on career changes, resume writing and job interviewing.

More information about the discount program and CAC's other services can be had by calling 266-9720.



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## EMS (continued from front page)

### The Operator

Ms. Leazer and Robert Hintz, director of Catholic Social Services, will negotiate soon the details and language of the long-term contract the city will sign with the Diocese of Madison to operate the EMS.

Further, the city and Catholic Social Services are settling the details of an EMS advisory committee. Ms. Leazer has proposed that its members be drawn from the following groups: the Tenney-Lapham and Marquette Neighborhood Associations; the City Council; City Social Services; Catholic Social Services; and a residents' advocate from an appropriate welfare rights group.

Once the committee's slots are agreed to, the next question will be the committee's roles and responsibilities. Finally, the Common Council must approve the contract and its attached operating budget.

### The Residents

There will be no EMS in operation at 1001 E. Washington Ave. on June 1. The Y has agreed to continue its shelter facility under its current contract until August 31. After that date, the city will have to find other shelter, probably in part at area motels.

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lighting till 11 p.m. at the tennis courts.

Because of staff cutbacks over the years for parks maintenance, it's important that TLNA and area residents do whatever they can to keep the park clean. A mid-summer neighborhood-initiated park clean-up could be an important gesture to show our concern for the park's up-keep.

### Madison Metro

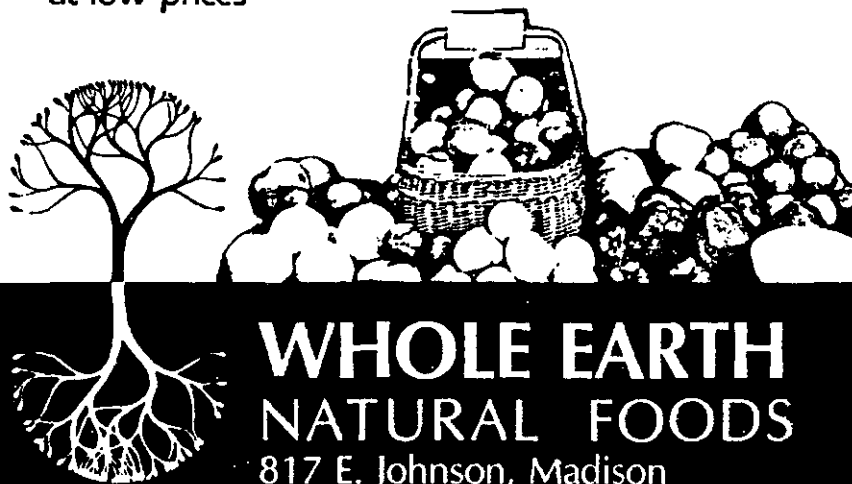
The summer bus schedules went into effect May 19 and will continue until August 24. Don't forget that the city is now testing a demonstration bus from Saab-Scandia. Flyers on the bus will encourage riders to pencil their comments, which drivers will return to Metro management. The city expects to order 24 buses this fall for arrival next summer. Each bus will cost about \$140,000, with the federal government picking up 80 percent of the tab.

One final note: During the spring election campaign, I promised to be accessible to your concerns, needs and interests, and that's a goal I intend to fulfill. Don't hesitate to give me a call at 256-2958. And for those of you who are interested in serving on one of the many city boards or committees, I'd be happy to provide a list of current openings.

Ald. David Wallner

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