



# Tenney-Lapham newsletter

May-June, 1983

Paul J. Fieber, Editor

## 5th Annual TLNA GARAGE SALE

on: *Sat. June 11th*  
from: *9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.*  
at: *American Legion Post Parking Lot*  
*(corner Few & Dayton Streets)*

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### NOTE TO SELLERS:

This event is a fundraiser for the neighborhood association as well as a chance for sellers to earn some money on items they no longer need. We will do the advertising and everyone is invited to bring their items to sell. We ask that 25% of your sales total be contributed to the association. If you have items you wish to bring or have items you would like sold but cannot personally attend, please contact one of the people listed below for an instruction sheet

Ann Rulseh, 257-8695 or, Robert Park, 256-7280

RAIN DATE  
SUN-JUNE 12  
12:30-3:00

### TWO NEW STAFF HIRED AT T.L.C.

The neighborhood's nonprofit Tenney-Lapham Corporation has just hired two new staff people to replace the outgoing Don Troendle. They are Juli Johnson and Mark Koppelkam.

Juli has lived in the neighborhood for many years, and has an extensive real estate and property management background. She formerly worked with Wedeking Corporation.

Mark is a former City Council member who is returning to Madison after a year with VISTA and a job in Baraboo as a business development specialist. While on the Council Mark was a strong supporter of neighborhood planning and housing initiatives, and of cooperatives.

Juli and Mark are job sharing the Program Director position, and each will be working halftime.

The former director, Don Troendle, is moving to a position in Waukesha as Executive Director of the City Housing Authority.

### Don't Forget!!

#### ANNUAL MEETING/PICNIC

Sat. - June 18th

1:00 - 6:00 p.m.

at Tenney Park (by playground)

Events: Nuclear Free Zone Vote Deadline,  
Nominating abe, Soft ball game

Bring: Meat, Buns, Snacks for Cookout.  
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### OPERATION TOUCH

As Wisconsin's economic crisis continues to touch more of us every day, and as the fear of being unemployed grows, the necessities of life seem difficult to meet for many Madison residents.

Health care services, as expensive as they are, have become a "luxury" many families must do without in this time of economic hardship. "Operation Touch" is designed to inform the unemployed and uninsured of the various medical services that may be available for their health care.

Some jobless workers "fall in the cracks" and do not qualify for medical assistance or general relief programs, yet are unaware of other private and government programs that may help.

For instance, an unemployed worker who cannot afford health insurance for their family after being laid-off, may have the right to continue group health benefits under the previous employer, or through the availability of lower-cost health plans via other private insurance firms or health maintenance organizations.

Current state law allows laid-off workers to continue health insurance coverage, but the employer must be notified within 30 days of leaving work. Then coverage can be continued for up to one year.

Beyond these existing alternatives, the legislature is looking at a proposal expanding Unemployment Compensation coverage to include health insurance, and another to require companies, when they go out of business, to guarantee health insurance for at least six months.

Information on "Operation Touch" is available by writing to me at 422 North-State Capitol, Madison, WI 53702, or call me at 266-8570

- David Clarenbach  
State Representative

## Housing Updates

FOR MORE DETAILS ON THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMS PLEASE CONTACT JULI JOHNSON OR MARK KOPPELKAM AT THE NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSING OFFICE IN LAPAHEM SCHOOL (ROOM 116) - OR CALL 258-9060

### ...Higher limits set on State Home Mortgages...

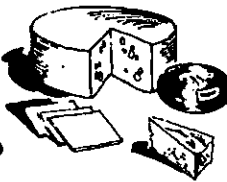
The Wisconsin Housing Finance Authority can now finance purchase of existing homes costing up to \$74,400 for eligible buyers in our neighborhood. Duplexes can cost up to \$83,800. Interest rates on these fixed 30 year term mortgages are 12.5%. Eligible first time buyers can have an income up to \$33,950. For people who have owned or currently own a home, the income limit is \$27,150. This program cannot be used to refinance an existing mortgage or land contract.

### ...Summary of Other TLC Programs & Services...

- Home Buyers Assistance: Partial mortgage loan payment deferrals
- Assistance with State Home Mortgage and Housing Rehab programs
- Assistance with City Housing Rehab deferred payment loan program
- Multifamily Rental Rehab program: City deferred payment rehab loans, in tandem with local lender loans, for investor/owned rental property.
- Elderly Equity Conversion to assist lower income elderly to remain in their homes.
- Counseling to residents, homeowners, investor owners and potential homebuyers on all housing and rehab concerns.

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# SHOULD TENNEY-LAPHAM DECLARE ITSELF A NUCLEAR FREE ZONE?

At its May 5th Board meeting, the TLNA council voted to put this question to residents of the Tenney-Lapham area. A similar question was presented in the Emerson area just east of TLNA, where residents chose to declare their neighborhood a nuclear free zone.

To better understand this issue, City Channel 12 (Cable) will be running the Emerson Nuclear Free Zone Debate between Sam Day of Nukewatch and John Kwapisz Coordinator of the Committee for Peace with Freedom. The debate will be aired on Tuesday, June 14th at 1:00 p.m. and again on Wednesday, June 15th at 7:30 p.m.

The reverse side of this page also has pro and con viewpoints which were taken from The Neighbor, the newsletter of the Emerson Neighborhood Association.

Voter Eligibility: All persons 18 or over who live, work or own property in the Tenney-Lapham area (bounded by Lake Mendota, Yahara River, E. Wasnington Street and N. Livingston Street)

Voting Instructions: Each person eligible to vote may fill out the ballot shown below. Ballots must be returned no later than Saturday, June 18th.

Returning Ballots: To return your ballot you may bring it to the June 18th TLNA Annual Meeting/Picnic scheduled for Tenney Park (see announcement elsewhere in newsletter) OR, you may mail your ballot (or give it) to one of the following Board members. Additional ballots may also be obtained from these persons.

Paul Fieber	461 N. Few	Tom Kasper	1217 E. Dayton
Judith Blank	418 Washburn Pl	Bob Park	909 E. Dayton
Mike Tuten	1041 E. Johnson		

## Clip and Return

### BALLOT

Resolution: That the Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood Association area be off limits to the design, testing, production, and development of nuclear weapons; that no other activities supporting the development of nuclear weapons be condoned; that we renounce the right to be defended by the use or threatened use of nuclear weapons, and that we ask to be taken off the target lists of any governments or organizations producing or contemplating production of nuclear weapons.

Question: SHOULD THE TENNEY-LAPHAM AREA DECLARE ITSELF TO BE A NUCLEAR FREE ZONE?

YES

NO

Eligibility Questions: (check all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 1. I am a TLNA member      | <input type="checkbox"/> 3. I own property in the TLNA area |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2. I live in the TLNA area | <input type="checkbox"/> 4. I work in the TLNA area         |

# NUCLEAR FREE ZONE DEBATE

PRO

Dear Editors:

In discussions about the ENA Council's recent decision to recommend our area be declared a nuclear free zone, I have heard 3 basic questions asked again and again. I would like to share with you my answers to these questions.

Why is the ENA involved in this issue?

Both the Soviet Union and the United States now have the undisputed ability to totally destroy each other with nuclear weapons. In theory, this makes nuclear war between them unthinkable, but both countries are spending enormous sums of money to prepare to fight, and win, just such a war. Since Madison is a state capital, a center of advanced research, and has a National Guard Airwing assigned to the defense of Europe, it is a likely candidate for destruction even in a "limited" nuclear war. A medium size nuclear bomb exploded over the city would totally destroy the Emerson neighborhood. Since nuclear weapons and the preparation for their use pose a direct threat to our neighborhood, and since the ENA was formed to preserve and improve the Emerson area as a place to live, work and recreate, it is therefore both appropriate and necessary that the ENA be involved in this issue.

What is a nuclear free zone?

It is an area which, by vote of its representatives, is declared off-limits to the design, construction, testing, and offensive or defensive use of nuclear weapons. By voting to declare a nuclear free zone (NFZ), an area publically withdraws its moral and political support for nuclear weapons and their use. Such a decision is strictly symbolic and will not protect the area in the event of nuclear war. NFZ's are based on the belief that the only defense to nuclear war is its prevention. Discussing and voting to declare a NFZ serves to educate people about the nuclear threat and to publically express an area's moral and political opposition to nuclear weapons and their use.

What good will voting to declare an NFZ do?

The vote will send a message on whether we support or oppose efforts for nuclear disarmament. This decision will be heard and counted - witness the ENA Council's NFZ vote which was widely mentioned in the Wisconsin media (earning the editorial support of the Capital Times) and reported on the Washington DC evening TV news. Our vote can add to the growing list of individuals, families, businesses, churches, cities, counties, states, and countries declaring themselves NFZs. And our vote will come at a critical time. Locally, the Dudgeon-Monroe Neighborhood Association, the Madison Common Council, and the Wisconsin Legislature are to vote on NFZ resolutions later this year. Nationally, Congress and the Administration are debating whether to cut funding for several nuclear weapons systems including the MX missile and the B-1 bomber. Internationally, the US and the USSR are preparing to resume negotiations to reduce strategic nuclear weapons.

Scott Meeker  
March 23, 1983  
The Neighbor, April 1983

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CON

Dear Editors:

The resolution to declare the Emerson neighborhood a nuclear free zone is the political equivalent of shadow boxing. My guess is that no one at any level of government either now or in the past has even considered this neighborhood as a site for the "design, testing, production and development of nuclear weapons." It is hard to even imagine that the City of Madison is on any potential adversary's first strike list since Madison is not a major population center and there are no significant military installations in Dane County.

The statement that "no other activities supporting the development of nuclear weapons be condoned" is so vague that, if taken seriously, it would probably run afoul of the First Amendment's guarantee of free speech. If a resident of the neighborhood publically stated that he thought that MX missiles should be constructed, would he be subject to pillory by his neighbors? Would the community conduct a mass picket at his home or apartment? If my examples seem ridiculous, they only reflect the silliness inherent in the resolution.

The heart of this resolution is that "we renounce the right to be defended by the use or threatened use of nuclear weapons." Inherent in this statement is the belief that the United States should unilaterally abandon any nuclear defense. To be politically relevant this resolution should be replaced with something like the following:

"Be it resolved that the Emerson neighborhood wants the government of the United States to unilaterally disarm and discard all its nuclear weapons."

I would still oppose such a resolution, but at least we would be discussing concrete actions to be taken by our government and not simply expressing an anti-nuclear "mood". The resolution which we are voting on is no more than a balm for souls troubled by the horror of potential nuclear war; it can do no more than confirm in its proponents a sense of their political and moral righteousness.

To those of you who - as I do - oppose specific nuclear defense policies on the part of the Reagan Administration, such as development and deployment of the MX missiles, keep in mind that a vote against this resolution is not a vote of confidence in the Reagan Administration. The issue is limited to voting for or against an irrelevant mish-mash of a resolution. A vote against this resolution is a vote for clear rather than unclear thinking. If you oppose the resolution, be sure to vote; don't let it pass by default.

Chuck Litweiler  
March 10, 1983  
The Neighbor, April, 1983

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