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# The Bridge

TENNEY-LAPHAM NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

**Not voting is not a protest. It is a surrender.**

*Keith Ellison*



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Community Media

In a few short weeks, we will be marking the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence. There is much to be reckoned with in our nation's history, both prior to, and after the

“shot heard round the world.” But those shortcomings don't negate the fact that the result was a government dedicated to the interests of its citizens rather than the interests of kings and aristocrats, the first large republic since ancient times. Although we have not yet fulfilled the promise of liberty and equality for all, we continue to strive.

At the center of this notion of self-governance is the right to vote, the right of the citizens to choose their leaders - "government of the people, by the people, for the people". Later this summer, residents of TLNA will have the chance to exercise that right to vote in the primary for Wisconsin's 76th Assembly District. We can all be proud of the fact that we exercise that right.

And proud of the kind of people we've chosen to represent us in the Assembly. Tammy Baldwin, the first openly lesbian woman elected to the Wisconsin State Assembly, Mark Pocan, the first openly gay person to succeed another LGBTQ person in both the State Legislature and in Federal office, Chris Taylor the recently elected WI Supreme Court Justice and Francesca Hong,

the first Asian American to serve in the Wisconsin Legislature.

For this edition of the Bridge, we offered the announced candidates for the open State Assembly seat the opportunity to submit a letter explaining to the residents of the neighborhood why they are running. They all took us up on the offer; their letters are inside.

You'll also find messages from both Dane County Executive Melissa Agard and our Dane County Supervisor, Heidi Wegleitner. I want to thank them both for their efforts to keep connected to the residents of the Tenney Lapham Neighborhood.

## TLNA Turning 50

Fifty years ago this June, a group of neighbors interested in working together on problems facing our neighborhood formed the Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood Association. See the 1st issue of this newsletter for a description of the problems identified - many of which we continue to address today. <https://bit.ly/TLNA-first-newsletter>.

Please join us to celebrate 50 years of building this community.

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**Old Market Place:** A tour of this Near East Side neighborhood, nestled between East Washington Avenue and the shores of Lake Mendota, highlights the area's remarkable transformation. Discover how a historic factory, a former water utility building, and a neighborhood school have been thoughtfully repurposed into modern apartments. Along the way, learn about Madison's earliest Black neighborhood and take in the architecturally distinctive homes along the lakeshore.

**Orton Park:** Once a final resting place for the dearly departed, this



area is now a place of relaxation, recreation and celebration. Tour one of Madison's oldest neighborhoods and see homes designed by local architects in distinctive styles as diverse as Italianate, Queen Anne, Greek and Tudor revival, Craftsman and Prairie.

**Machinery Row:** You'll discover the important role Machinery Row played in 19th-century commerce. Along the way, you'll see the properties that remain today: factories, commercial buildings, a railroad station, hotels and even a candy company.



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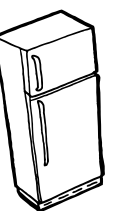
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## In Dane County, We're Rethinking Waste and Building a More Sustainable Future

By County Executive Melissa Agard

Do you ever wonder what happens to your trash after you toss it away?

In Dane County, we think about that question every day. Because how we manage what we throw away is more than a basic service. It is a critical part of building a community that is environmentally sustainable, economically strong, and resilient for the future.

That is why we are taking a forward-looking approach to waste. For decades, Dane County has managed its landfill responsibly while capturing methane and converting it into renewable energy. That work continues today. But increasingly, our focus is shifting upstream. The best waste is the waste we never send to the landfill in the first place.

In recent years, Dane County's Waste + Renewables department has expanded programs that divert materials before they become waste. In 2025 alone, the County significantly grew efforts around food waste composting, asphalt shingle recycling, and electronics recovery. These programs are not only reducing landfill use, they are transforming discarded materials into valuable resources that support local jobs and reduce emissions. That progress earned Dane County a 2025 Recycling Excellence Award from the Wisconsin Department



Melissa Agard

of Natural Resources, recognizing both innovation and strong community participation.

Food waste is one of our biggest opportunities. Today, more than 20 percent of what enters our landfill is food. While we capture methane from decomposing organic material and turn it into renewable fuel, we know that keeping food scraps out of the landfill altogether is even better for the climate.

That is why we launched a new countywide composting program in partnership with Purple Cow Organics. Businesses can now access commercial composting ser-

vices, and residents can use free "Scrap Stop" drop-off sites across the county. Since launching in mid-2025, more than 2,600 households have signed up, diverting over 500,000 pounds of food waste. That is a meaningful shift in how our community thinks about waste and responsibility.

We are also seeing innovation in unexpected places. After severe hailstorms damaged thousands of roofs across southern Dane County, we faced a surge of asphalt shingles at our landfill. Rather than treating that as a burden, we worked with local contractors and a Wisconsin-based processor to recycle more than 95 percent of those shingles. In 2025 alone, more than 34,000 tons were diverted and repurposed into materials for paving roads across the state. That effort avoided emissions equivalent to more than 415,000 gallons of gasoline.

This kind of problem-solving reflects what local government can do at its best. When challenges arise, we have the ability to adapt quickly, work with partners, and turn obstacles into opportunities. Every ton we divert is a ton that becomes a



resource rather than waste.

At the same time, Dane County's Clean Sweep program continues to expand safe and responsible disposal options for residents. Open year-round, it provides affordable access to recycling for electronics and household hazardous materials. In 2025, the program added new items like refrigerators and solar panels, bringing the total amount of electronics recycled to more than 260,000 pounds. That keeps toxic materials out of our landfill while recovering valuable components for reuse.

Looking ahead, we are taking the next major step forward with the development of Dane County's Sustainability Campus. Located just south of the current landfill, the Campus will serve as a hub for innovation, education, and waste diversion. With construction beginning this summer and opening anticipated in 2027, the site will include

an interpretive center, makerspace, and space for new partnerships. Interest is already strong, with more than 45 organizations exploring opportunities to collaborate.

This work reflects what we often call the Dane County Way. It is about practical solutions that protect our environment, support our economy, and bring people together around shared goals. Whether it is a resident dropping off food scraps, a contractor recycling shingles, or a business rethinking its waste stream, these actions add up.

We are moving toward a circular economy where materials are kept in use as long as possible through reuse, repair, recycling, and composting. That is not just an environmental goal. It is an economic and community-building strategy as well.

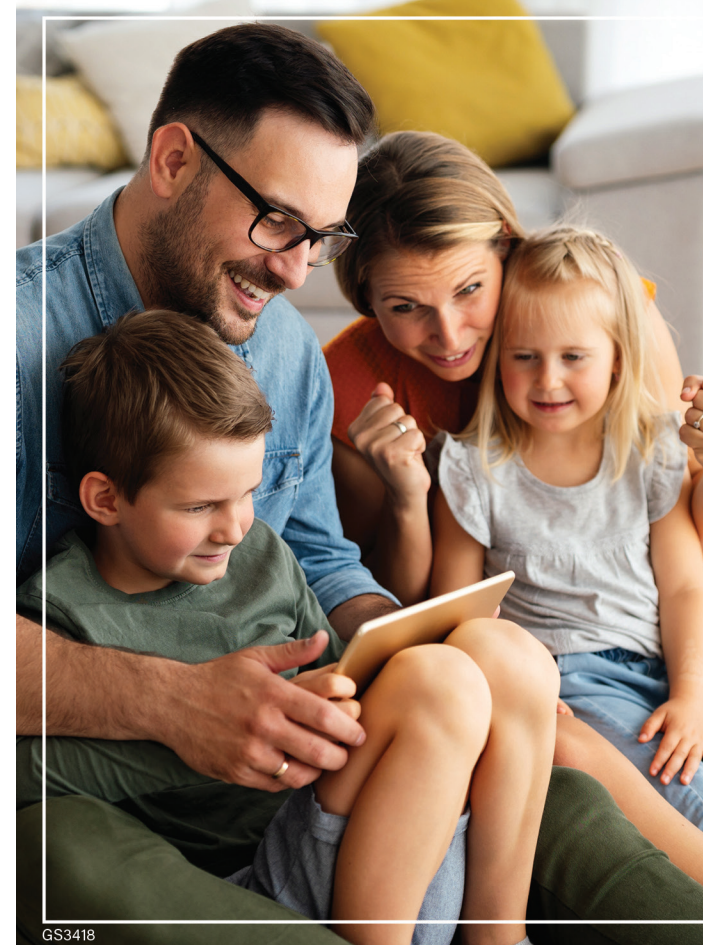
And it all starts with a simple question about what happens to our trash.

As it turns out, talking about trash is not only important, it can be pretty interesting too.

Residents can sign up for the free Food Scrap Composting program here: <https://tinyurl.com/ScrapStops>

Residents can stay updated with waste diversion efforts in the County by subscribing to the Department of Waste + Renewables newsletter here: <https://tinyurl.com/WasteRenewablesNewsletter>

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### Earth Day

On April 25 volunteers from Barre District Madison and front office staff from Forward Madison FC took part in a clean-up of Reynolds Park as part of Madison Park's Earth Day Challenge. Trash was picked up, the Reynolds Food Garden was weeded, and there was a needed renewal pruning of the vines on the fence along E. Miiflin Street.



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## County Supervisor Update - April 2026

By Heidi Wegleitner

Greetings Tenney Lapham! The County Board just kicked off its new 2-year term. At our first meeting on April 21, we elected our leadership, considered changes to county board rules, and participated in ethics training. District 2 Supv. Yogesh Chawla was elected Vice Chair and District 11 Supv. Richelle Andrae was elected 2nd Vice Chair. I have been reappointed to the Health and Human Needs Committee by County Board Chair Patrick Miles. In the next two weeks the standing committees of the board will elect their leadership. I am seeking re-election as Health and Human Needs Committee Chair.

At the end of last term, the board overwhelmingly passed a resolution I co-sponsored to end the Sheriff's Office Flock contract for automatic license plate readers. Only one supervisor voted against it. Especially given the unconstitutional brutality of the Trump Administration, it is more important than ever to protect the personal information of Dane County residents and guests. I will continue to work with my fellow supervisors to increase the safety and security of personal information and pursue more comprehensive legislation for the county's use of surveillance cameras of all types.

After massive protests and rescue efforts from activists across the country concerned with evidence of



Heidi Wegleitner

gross violations of animal welfare laws, Ridglan Farms agreed to release 1500 beagles to rescue organizations. Visit the Dane County Humane Society's website for more info on the beagle rescue. <https://www.giveshelter.org/news/ridglan-farms>

Remember, I love hearing from you. Don't hesitate to connect at 608-886-9807 or email at [wegleitner.heidi@danecounty.gov](mailto:wegleitner.heidi@danecounty.gov)

<https://board.danecounty.gov/Supervisors/Detail/2>

### Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood Yard Sale 2026



Saturday, August 8, from 8 am - 3 pm and Sunday, August 9, from 9 am - 3 pm

The annual Tenney-Lapham neighborhood yard sale is just a few months away! Mark your calendars to shop until you drop and sign up to sell the stuff you want out of your house for others to enjoy. You can sign up for one or both of the days, whatever works for you.

There will be a map of participating locations and lots of promotion on Craigslist and other online outlets, thanks to neighbor Bob Shaw.

Questions? Get in touch with Anne Katz, Coordinator, at [tenneyyardsale@gmail.com](mailto:tenneyyardsale@gmail.com).

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## Yes, We Live on a Sidewalk

By Amy Lee

As often happens at a Madison gathering, you're bound to be asked, "So, where do you live?" For most, it's a simple answer. I'll usually start with "East side, near downtown," but when I'm pressed for specifics, a street, "Well, we live on a sidewalk - and in a house," the conversation gets interesting.

As far as I know, there are only three houses in Madison that can



"The California Bungalow and Its Influence in Madison." The Journal of Historic Madison. (Historic Madison Inc., Madison, Wis. 1978.) p.3.

choose "Walk" from a street-suffix menu, and we live in one of them on Russell Walk. If you've been here, you know it's a unique urban pocket where garages and driveways don't exist. While that might seem like a modern inconvenience, it actually highlights the intentionality of the "walk." It forces a slower pace and connects us directly to the walkable culture of the Tenney-Lapham neighborhood. Of course, it also means we have to coach every delivery driver on how to find us. Luckily, our packages have only occasionally ended up at creative interpretations of our address.

When we first discovered our home, it wasn't just the location and unique architecture (inside and out) that drew us in; it was the history. Our house is part of a rare "bungalow court" designed by Cora Tuttle, Madison's first known woman architect. Knowing she was a pioneer in a male-dominated field adds an extra layer of pride to living here.

When we told our realtor we were interested in a house with no driveway, she thought we had lost it. But what the house lacks in modern pavement, it makes up for in character, charm, and (miraculously) multiple functional bathrooms - a far cry from the "random basement toilets" we saw in so many other downtown Madison homes.

We were thrilled to see the Madison Trust for Historic Preservation

feature Tuttle's work in a recent blog. Before that story, we knew a little about her and her other homes in Madison (in the Vilas neighborhood, and more), and we were thrilled to learn more. We feel like we're part of a special, almost-secret society of homeowners. Between the rich history of Cora Tuttle's design and the vibrant community of Tenney-Lapham, we've found much more than a unique address; we've found our own place in Madison's story.

Read more about Cora Tuttle's Madison homes here: <https://www.madisonpreservation.org/blog/2026/3/30/an-architects-home-cora-tuttle>

## TLNA Celebrates Madison Bike Week



Stop by and power up on bagels and coffee on your way to work. Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood Association will host a breakfast stop along the bike route at Mifflin and Paterson Streets from 7 AM to 9 AM. The fabulous bagels are from Origin with that great sourdough flavor. Coffee comes from EVP, dark and strong. Feel free to join TLNA or renew your neighborhood membership when you stop by!



## Eastside Community Track & Field Project

By Jonny Hunter

A coalition of community members, families, athletes and local partners is working to transform the aging track at Demetral Park into a modern, safe training venue for East High School athletes and Madison residents.

Demetral Park sits just outside our neighborhood boundary, but it's ours in every way that matters. East High is where our kids go. The track will serve East's athletics programs as well as O'Keeffe Middle School's growing track team, and it's an easy walk or bike ride for Tenney-Lapham families looking for a place to run, move and gather.

When athletes aren't training, the track will be open to the public. That means a safe, high-quality surface for morning walkers, after-school runners, parents pushing strollers and anyone who wants to move. A well-maintained community track is a rare thing in a neighborhood, and this one would be right at our doorstep.

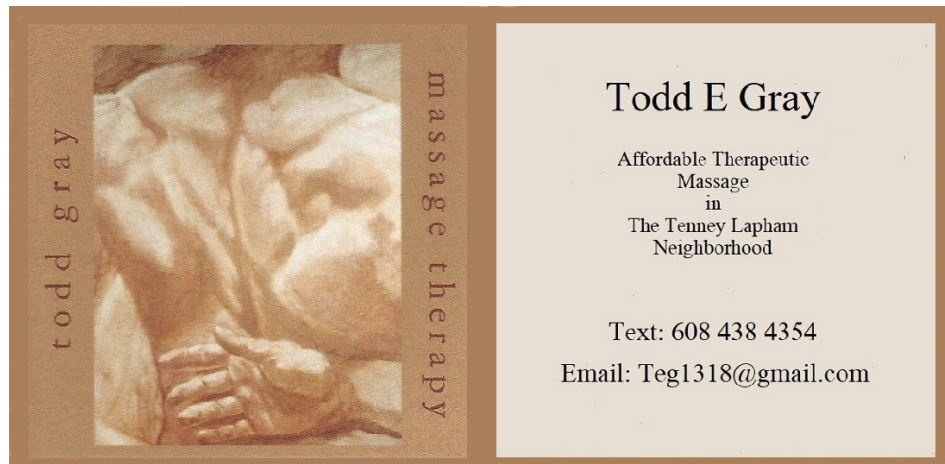
"A modern track at East High would transform how our athletes see themselves and their team," said



Jessa Victor, head girls cross country coach at East. "This project isn't just about upgrading a surface; it's about uplifting our athletes and instilling pride that carries into everything they do."

The effort is powered by local residents, businesses and nonprofit partners in collaboration with the Madison Public Schools Foundation, raising funds to design and construct a durable, accessible facility with dedicated practice times for East athletes and open access for the community.

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## A Case for Traffic Calming: Protecting Lives in Our Neighborhoods

By Peter Beeson, Traffic Calming Chair

Our community recently experienced a devastating tragedy that demands our immediate attention and thoughtful response. On February 6, 2026, Alexander (Sasha) Rosen, a 17-year-old West High School student, was struck and killed by a vehicle while crossing South Park Street in a marked crosswalk on their way to school.<sup>1</sup> This heartbreaking loss is not an isolated incident—it reflects a deeper pattern of dangerous traffic conditions throughout Madison's neighborhoods, including the Johnson and Gorham Street corridors where similar risks threaten the safety of residents, students, and families every day.

We write to advocate for evidence-based solutions that have proven successful in communities across the nation. The goal is to redirect through-traffic from neighborhood streets like Johnson and Gorham to East Washington Avenue, the federal highway that bisects our neighborhood and is designed to handle high-volume traffic, while implementing natural traffic calming measures that protect vulnerable road users without relying on police enforcement.

**The Growing Crisis: Pedestrian Safety in Madison**

Alexander Rosen was doing everything right—crossing in a marked crosswalk, on their way to school in broad daylight. Yet they became one of ten pedestrian fatalities in Dane County during the first three months of 2026, part of an alarming trend.<sup>2</sup> These are not merely statistics—they represent people: neighbors, students, parents, and friends whose lives were forever lost, and their loved ones lives changed by preventable crashes.

### The Problem: Streets Built Like Highways

The urban planning organization Strong Towns has extensively documented a fundamental design flaw in American communities: the creation of 'stroads'—hybrid corridors that attempt to function as both streets (places for community interaction and local access) and roads (high-speed connectors between places).<sup>5</sup> Strong Towns founder Charles Marohn describes stroads as 'the futon of transportation'—uncomfortable couches that also serve as uncomfortable beds—because they fail at both purposes.

Johnson and Gorham Streets exemplify this problem, and it has grown worse due to traffic from the John Nolen redesign that has been redirected to these neighborhood streets. Rather than sending a massive slew of cars, frequently moving at high speed, down residen-



tial neighborhood streets - streets that make it hard for children to walk to the park in their neighborhood, or elders to walk to the grocery store a few blocks away, this excess traffic should be routed to East Washington Avenue—a federal highway (US Highway 151) specifically designed and funded for high-volume, longer-distance travel. As Strong Towns research demonstrates, when residential streets are built with wide lanes and highway-like features, drivers instinctively travel at highway speeds regardless of posted speed limits.<sup>6</sup> The street design itself—not driver negligence or inadequate enforcement—becomes the primary factor determining whether people drive safely.

This misalignment between street design and street function has profound consequences. A landmark 1972 study found that residents living on busy, high-speed roads were significantly less likely to leave their houses, know their neighbors, or feel ownership of their street compared to those on calmer thoroughfares.<sup>7</sup> Recent research confirms that living near highly trafficked roads leads to increased social isolation, loneliness, and psychological distress—contributing to what many recognize as a growing loneliness epidemic.<sup>8</sup>

### The Solution: Natural Traffic Calming and Proper Street Hierarchy

The most effective traffic calming measures don't rely primarily on speed limit signs, police enforcement, or driver education. Instead, they use street design itself to make slow speeds feel natural and safe to drivers.<sup>9</sup> Strong Towns research and successful implementation in cities nationwide point to several proven approaches:

1. Narrower Travel Lanes: Wide lanes signal to drivers that high speeds are safe and appropriate. Reducing lane width creates a sense of enclosure that naturally encourages slower speeds. Pittsburgh's Department of Mobility and Infrastructure documented average speed reductions of 6 mph across nearly all their traffic calming interventions using this principle.<sup>10</sup>

2. Chicanes and Visual Narrowing: Offset curb extensions or planted areas that create gentle curves in the roadway force drivers to slow down and pay attention. On Pittsburgh's Termon Avenue, chicanes lowered vehicle speeds from 37 mph to 27 mph, bringing traffic closer to the posted 25 mph limit.<sup>11</sup>

3. Speed Cushions and Raised Crosswalks: Physical vertical elements in the roadway create unavoidable feedback that encourages speed reduction. In Pittsburgh, speed cushions on Seagirt Street reduced average speeds by 13 mph—from 36 to 23 mph—on a residential street adjacent to an early childhood center.<sup>12</sup>

4. Intrigue and Uncertainty: Contrary to conventional traffic engineering, research by David Engwicht and documented by Strong Towns shows that some visual complexity and 'constructive ambiguity' in street design causes drivers to slow down and pay closer attention. This includes elements like varied building setbacks, street trees, on-street parking, and active street life.<sup>13</sup>

5. Converting Stroads to Proper Streets: Lancaster, California invested \$11 million to transform nine blocks of 'The BLVD' from a four-lane, car-dominated corridor into a two-lane, pedestrian-friendly street with center-of-street parking, public plazas, and street trees. The transformation took only eight months and dramatically improved both safety and economic activity.<sup>14</sup>

Importantly, these interventions can be implemented at relatively low cost. Pittsburgh's program is explicitly described as 'low-cost' and 'community-driven,' with many improvements achievable through paint, planters, and strategic placement of inexpensive materials.<sup>15</sup> The city meticulously documents results, building trust with residents who see quick, effective action addressing their safety concerns.

### Redirecting Traffic: The Role of Federal Highways

A critical component of any comprehensive solution involves properly utilizing existing infrastructure designed for through traffic. East Washington Avenue functions as US Highway 151, a federal highway built to federal standards with federal funding specifically intended to move traffic efficiently between destinations.<sup>16</sup> This is precisely the type of road that should carry the through traffic currently burdening neighborhood streets like Johnson and Gorham.

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## A Case for Traffic Calming

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The concept of appropriate street hierarchy is fundamental to safe, functional communities. As Strong Towns articulates, roads are meant to be 'efficient connections between two places' with limited access and highway geometries, while streets create 'platforms for capturing value' where auto traffic moves slowly and shares space with pedestrians, cyclists, and transit users.<sup>17</sup> When we force neighborhood streets to carry road-level traffic volumes and speeds, we create dangerous conditions while simultaneously failing to move traffic efficiently.

The historical context matters here. The Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1956 created the interstate system and established federal funding mechanisms that prioritized highway construction—often through the hearts of neighborhoods, devastating communities in the process.<sup>18</sup> More than 475,000 households and over one million people were displaced nationwide. While Madison's isthmus was spared interstate bisection, the legacy of prioritizing high-speed vehicle movement over neighborhood integrity persists in how traffic is routed through residential areas today.

Recent Strong Towns analysis demonstrates that federal funding mechanisms continue to undermine local Complete Streets initiatives by imposing design standards that prioritize vehicle throughput over human safety.<sup>19</sup> Projects intended to enhance walkability end up with 12-foot travel lanes (appropriate for highways, not neighborhood streets) and highway-style 'forgiving

design' that encourages high speeds. The solution is to intentionally separate functions: direct through traffic to roads built for that purpose (like East Washington Avenue) while allowing neighborhood streets to function as true streets—safe, slow, and community-oriented. White someday we would love to make East Washington Ave a safer and slower street, right now our focus is on building in traffic calming measures on Johnson and Gorham.

### A Path Forward: Community-Centered Implementation

We propose a phased approach that learns from successful implementations in peer cities:

**Phase 1: Quick-Build Pilot Projects (0-6 months):** Implement low-cost, reversible traffic calming measures on Johnson and Gorham Streets using paint, planters, and flexible bollards, including immediately removing the signs redirecting John Nolen construction traffic to East Washington Ave, and away from Johnson and Gorham. Pittsburgh's model shows these interventions can be installed quickly while data is collected on speed reductions and community response. Simultaneously, work with navigation apps and signage to encourage through traffic to use East Washington Avenue.

**Phase 2: Data Collection and Community Engagement (6-12 months):** Follow Pittsburgh's example of meticulously documenting speed changes, crash reductions, and community feedback. Engage residents, business owners, and institutions (including UW-Madison) in refining designs. This transparency builds trust and demonstrates responsiveness.

**Phase 3: Permanent Infrastructure (12-24 months):** Based on pilot results, implement permanent traffic calming infrastructure including raised crosswalks, curb extensions, reduced lane widths, and protected bike lanes. Apply lessons learned from Lancaster's BLVD transformation and similar projects.

**Phase 4: Network-Wide Principles (Ongoing):** Establish design standards that prevent future road creation and systematically convert existing roads into either proper streets (neighborhood-oriented, slow) or proper roads (limited access, efficient for through traffic). Ensure East Washington Avenue and other federal highways are optimized for their intended function, reducing pressure on neighborhood streets.

### Conclusion: Learning from Tragedy, Building for Safety

Alexander Rosen's death should not have happened. They were in a crosswalk. They were following the rules. But street design that encourages high speeds in pedestrian-rich environments creates conditions where tragic outcomes become not just possible but predictable.<sup>20</sup>

Our neighborhood has already dealt with multiple times cars have run off our neighborhood roads, into people's homes, gardens, and parked cars. We want to

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State-Assembly Candidate

## Juliana Bennett

Hi Neighbors! You may have seen me walking with my puppy Winnie around Tenney. That's because I'm running for the State Assembly, District 76 to build an affordable Wisconsin where working people can thrive!

That includes lowering property taxes and rent, fully funding our public schools, and a \$23/hr minimum wage. These are non-negotiable.

I will fight for you because I know exactly what it's like when the system fails. Three years ago, my dad survived a major episode of cardiac arrest. He beat a 6 out of 100 odds of living, thanks to the dedicated healthcare workers at our local Meriter and VA hospitals. But his life came at the cost of an over \$500,000 medical bill and an eviction from a greedy landlord. At the time, I was on the city council and had a degree in real estate, and still, there was nothing I could do to stop the eviction and help my dad. These experiences have pushed me to continue to fight for working-class families at the state level.

I bring unique and valuable experience as a 26 year old queer, Black woman and would be the first to hold those identities in our state capitol. But beyond my identity, what makes me different is my proven track record and ability to deliver.

There are three things I bring to this race that no one else does: 1, I am the only one in this race that has drafted and passed original legislation; 2, I am the only one in this race that has worked on a bipartisan basis on the local, state, and federal level; and 3, I am the only one in this race with a clear anti-establishment stand and commitment to not taking corporate PAC's money.

As an alder on the Madison Common Council, I legalized duplexes citywide, helped pass over 1,000 units of affordable housing, invested millions in homeless and undocumented communities, stood up for Gaza and Madison's communities of color, and delivered fair municipal maps. I also served as a chief of staff for a progressive state representative, where I crafted innovative climate legislation and organized across the political spectrum to build support for school funding, veterans benefits, and healthcare.

I'm stepping up as a Democratic Socialist because



Juliana Bennett

I've been in the rooms of power at all levels of our government, and I have seen how our leaders are not meeting the moment. I will be the person that rallies our Wisconsin state legislators around a clear vision that reflects the needs of the working class, not big money lobbyists.

Thank you for considering me as someone you want representing YOU on the state level. I won't accept the status quo. I will push boundaries in the fight for the working class.

Best, Juliana Bennett

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## Dina Nina Martinez-Rutherford

My name is Dina Nina Martinez-Rutherford. I'm a food service worker, small business owner, and longtime comedian. I currently serve on the Madison Common Council, where I've spent my two terms investing in affordable housing, supporting small businesses, and protecting our city's lakes and green spaces.

I don't have the typical background of someone running for State Assembly. I've made \$2.33 an hour plus tips for most of my career in the service industry. I've experienced homelessness and gone without healthcare for much of my life. And as a transgender woman, I know what it's like to see your basic rights come under attack.

And I know that I'm not alone. I don't just see the struggles our neighbors face – I live them. I carry that with me every day, and it's exactly what I'll bring to the State Assembly.

When I think about creating a government that works for the people, I think about Tenney-Lapham. It's vibrant, connected, and deeply rooted in our community. It's a neighborhood where you can walk to work, bike next to the lake, support local businesses, and meet people from all walks of life. But it's also feeling the pressure of rising costs and rapid change in a growing city. This neighborhood expects its government to deliver, and isn't shy about asking tough questions when it doesn't. I want to earn your trust by being clear about what I'll fight for and how I'll get it done.

Housing affordability is at the top of that list. Rents and property taxes keep going up, and homeownership is out of reach for so many. In the Assembly, I'll fight to restore local control so Madison can build the housing we actually need, expand affordable housing options, and pass a Tenant Bill of Rights that gives renters real protections. No one should be priced out of the

neighborhoods they love because our government failed to act.

The cost of healthcare is out of control. As your State Representative, I will push for BadgerCare for All and create a public option that provides care to every Wisconsinite with lower premiums and greater coverage. I will introduce legislation to lower prescription drug prices, hold pharmaceutical companies accountable for taking advantage of Wisconsin families, and require insurance companies to be transparent about claim denials. Healthcare is a human right, and I will fight every day to ensure our state treats it as one.

Getting around Madison shouldn't be a challenge, especially in a neighborhood like Tenney-Lapham. I will push for our city to get its fair share of state investment so we can improve transit services: shorter wait times, more reliable routes, and better connections. I'll support legislation to create a Regional Transit Authority, as I've long advocated for on the Common Council and the Transportation Commission. Every resident, not just those who own a car, should be able to get to work, school, and the places that matter to them.

Getting into politics was never in the plan for me. But we are witnessing unprecedented attacks on our democracy and our communities by an authoritarian federal government, all while the cost of living rises untenably.

We need bold, progressive change to meet this moment: a living wage tied to inflation, truly affordable housing, universal healthcare and childcare, strong unions, and fully funded public schools that will allow us to lower property taxes.

Fighting for working people isn't political for me. It's personal. I believe in a Wisconsin where we take care of each other and we can all afford to live with dignity.

That's why I'm here, running to



Dina Nina Martinez-Rutherford

be your voice in the 76th Assembly District. To learn more, visit [VoteDinaNina.com](http://VoteDinaNina.com). I hope to earn your vote on August 11th.

## The Farmers Market

By Danny Beeson Thelen, Age 10

The Farmers Market is finally open and I'm going to tell you some of my favorite places:

1. Mark's Cinnamon Rolls - I think they have very good cinnamon rolls with syrup stuff on the bottom while also solid and big, that is why they are my favorite place at the Farmers Market.

2. Savory Accents - I like how they give you free crackers to taste the spices, which taste good.

3. The smoothie places - I think that all of the many smoothie places are very good, my favorite place is in front of the UW Credit Union because they have good strawberry smoothies and the strawberry banana smoothies are good too.

4. Stella's - I am personally not a fan of Stella's but I have only had a nibble of their hot cheese bread, but it is very popular, I remember a time when their line was half a block long!



State-Assembly Candidate

## Isaia Ben-Ami

I am running to continue the fight for the freedom of working people. To ensure that everyone has the freedom to access dignified housing, breathe clean air and drink clean water, and get a quality education in a quality public school. For my entire professional life, I have been working in legislative politics to fight against the worst legislation the gerrymandered Republican majority has offered. From criminalizing homelessness to attacking our public schools, Republican legislators have made life worse for Wisconsin families.

But political times are changing. One third of Senate Republicans are not seeking reelection and Speaker Robin Vos is retiring. Republican control of the legislature is coming to an end, and with it their war on working people. We have an opportunity to hold the levers of power in a Democratic Trifecta. When that happens, Madison needs someone who can use the power of the state government to lower costs, protect our environment, and support a more equitable society.

Since I was a middle schooler during Act 10, I have been working to make a difference in our state. As a staffer for Assembly Democratic Leadership, I have helped draft legislation to create a Paid Family and Medical Leave Program, so that no person has to choose between their job or the health of themselves or their families. I worked to create programs to build more housing and support first time home ownership. I helped introduce legislation to increase access to voter registration, so that more people can have access to their Democracy. All of these policies would make a tangible difference in the lives of working Wisconsinites.

In addition, I currently serve as a board member for the SASY Neighborhood Association. In this role I have stepped up to support new housing being built in our community, and I am currently volunteer-

ing my time to support Atwoodfest 2026. I also serve on the board of 350 Wisconsin, where we are fighting fossil fuel companies that are seeking to pollute our land, our water, and our air. Legislating is a team sport, and I have worked on a diverse set of teams to achieve shared goals and manifest a shared vision.

I am committed to our community because our community raised me. The east side of Madison instilled in me progressive values of equity and justice. As a lifelong Madisonian, I know our rich history of action has helped shape our state for the better. We need to see that commitment to those values in the leaders we send to the capitol.

As your legislator, I will fight to ensure Madison gets its fair share of shared revenue, and reimbursement of municipal service payments. I will work to support our public schools and our teachers by restoring collective bargaining rights. I will work to protect our environment by reinstating funding for the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship fund and investing in a Green New Deal.

Madison needs a state legislator that is committed to the long-term



Isaia Ben-Ami

fight for a better future. I have spent years working in legislative politics to that end, and I have the policy knowledge to actually make progress a reality. We need a legislator who knows the problems facing our community, and how to solve them. I believe I am that candidate, and that is why I am working hard to earn your vote on August 11th.

## Get to Know Your Council Jacob Handel, TLNA Area Rep



Jacob Handel

**Where were you born?**

Oskaloosa Iowa

**What was your first job?**

My first job was working as a Ranger at Philmont Scout Ranch.

**Seen any good movies or read any good books lately?**

"The Dispossessed" by Ursula K

Le Guin. It's genuinely life-changing and one of my top books of all time.

**What's your favorite place you've ever visited?**

I spent a semester studying abroad in Cambodia and it was such a beautiful place with just incredible people.

**Why do you choose to live in Madison?**

Last year I finished thru-hiking the Appalachian Trail and couldn't find a job. Then my friend got a job in Madison and asked our scattered friends to move there with him. And a couple of us did!

**Why did you join TLNA?**

I showed up to one too many pop-sicle parties last summer.



State-Assembly Candidate  
**Tony Castañeda**

I have lived in the 76th District for over 45 yrs where I have worked and raised my family. My 6 kids have attended Lapham, Marquette, Okeefe, Lowell, Mendota and graduated from East HS.(Full disclosure, one of them graduated from West ) I have worked in the social services field with our most vulnerable citizens as a youth worker, job counselor, placement specialist, skilled trades recruiter and as a housing provider for chronically homeless individuals with mental wellness issues. I am a longtime musician, WORT Radio host for 33 years, artist, youth coach and been active in this community as a fundraiser/volunteer for our wonderful festivals and community organizations. ( Currently organizing Commonwealth Development's Golf Outing , Monday June 8th, which I have been doing for about 15 years. Go to the CWD website to sign up).

As someone who was born and raised in a working class, chicano family (9 kids) in Racine, I've witnessed the damage that Republicans have done to our once progressive and forward looking State which was known as the "Laboratory for Democracy". Under Republican rule we have become a laboratory

of regressive policies that favor the wealthy and corporate interests. Their attacks on our public commons through underfunding of public schools (shifting that money to School Choice programs), cutting funding to our once great UW system are destroying Wisconsin's reputation as a leader in public education. As a member of the State Assembly I will fight to adequately fund our schools so our districts don't have to continually go to referendum, raising property taxes and placing the responsibility of education funding on the backs of homeowners. I want to rescind ACT 10 and respect our teachers by returning collective bargaining rights to them and other public workers. I will work to freeze property taxes on retirees and those on fixed incomes.

I support Fair Maps, preserving our environment and beautiful natural resources, protecting LGBTQ rights and fully and completely legalizing recreational marijuana in Wisconsin.

To ignore the orange elephant in the room and the affect Trump's policies have on our state would be dangerous. We must stand up to ICE activities and protect our im-



Tony Castañeda

migrant neighbors and friends. My grandparents migrated to Wisconsin from Mexico seeking a better life and future and this is a right and opportunity everyone should have. Immigration is not a crime. We need leaders in Wisconsin who will stand up to Trump and say "NO" to ICE!

I look forward to representing all of the residents of the 76th as we move forward and return Wisconsin on the progressive path.



"Hail Yeah!" Photo by Eric Bertun



## Don't Feed The Animals

By Kryswachowiak

Every time I go on vacation with my family, we inevitably find ourselves either staying in or hiking through a park. It's just the type of people we are. We're also the type of people who stop to read the posts at the trailheads. DO NOT FEED THE ANIMALS is one of the more common ones. we see. I usually do not give it a lot of thought, because it was never something I did. However, due to some recent events, I really began to wonder why someone would feed the animals. After some reading and discussion, I learned the main reasons are a desire to help them survive; a wish for close interaction; or a feeling of personal enjoyment and connection to nature. Although I can appreciate these reasons, the end results are far from harmless. Providing food for wild animals decreases their ability to survive because they become dependent on that source of food, some of which is not nutritionally beneficial to them. The presence of additional food also allows animal populations to increase beyond what the environment can support, which can lead to serious damage to the local ecosystem when the food provided is not enough. Another consequence is that feeding areas bring together greater numbers of different animals into contact, which increases the chances that diseases will be spread across multiple animal groups. Finally, feeding animals can desensitize them to humans, which may lead to sickness, injury, or death for one or both.

Sadly, this is happening in our neighborhood. Many well-intentioned people are scattering bird seed and other items in their yards in the hope of either helping animals or getting to see more of them. This has led to a large increase in mice, chipmunks, squirrels, opossums, racoons, and rabbits. Even more troubling is the presence of rats, which are vectors for serious

diseases, including Leptospirosis, Salmonellosis, and Hantavirus. Further, they are incredibly destructive to property. They gnaw on insulation, structural wood, plastic piping, and electrical wiring, which can cause fires.

The human response to all these additional animals can be equally terrible. In the hope of getting rid of the problem as quickly as possible, people will frequently use incredibly inhumane traps and poisons to get rid of the problem as quickly as possible. Many of these poisons carry with them the ability to impact

mammals far beyond their target. Domestic animals and children are vulnerable, but the real damage occurs to the predators of these pests. The best option for humane removal is live traps and to limit their food supplies, so that the population naturally decreases. This will require that we talk to our neighbors who are "trying to help nature," and let them know that what they are doing may be causing a whole lot more harm than good. It also wouldn't hurt to reach out to our Alder and Mayor and let them know that an ordinance against feeding wild animals is in all of our best interests.



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State-Assembly Candidate

## Zoe Sullivan



Zoe Sullivan

Hello District 76!

My name is Zoe Sullivan, and I've lived in the district since 2021. I grew up in and around Madison, and I graduated from West High in 1988. My mother worked as a state employee for much of her career, raising me and my brother on her own while she earned a graduate degree at the UW and worked full-time. My family benefitted from affordable education, housing, childcare and strong unions, things that now seem like unicorns.

I grew up before Governor Tom-

my Thompson created the school voucher program that will siphon away nearly \$1 billion from Wisconsin's public schools this year. That experiment began the process of shifting money from the university system and into state prisons. Today, our investment in those areas is completely inverted from where it was when I graduated from high school. Then, the state department of corrections accounted for less than 2% of the state budget while the university received nearly 15%. In the most recent state budget, corrections accounts for 14.5% of the state funding while the university system received 5.4%.

This situation reflects the broader crisis facing people across the state. At a time when all of the systems that people need to thrive -- health-care, education, housing, childcare, senior care -- seem designed to extract wealth from us instead of supporting our well-being, upending the budget should be one of our top priorities.

Wisconsin has long been a laboratory for innovating social policy. We invented everything from social security and unemployment insurance to public sector unions and school vouchers. Many of those programs were developed during

the Progressive era a century ago, which resembles all-too-closely the moment we are living through now. Robber barons lived like royalty while working people toiled long hours in unsafe factories. The same era also saw a surge in labor union membership as people organized to push back and won the 40-hour work week.

Today's polycrisis offers an opportunity for the sort of bold policy making we need to ensure that all Wisconsinites can live fulfilling, dignified lives. We can create a Progressive Era 2.0 where the state prioritizes reinventing the systems we all need to flourish and be productive: affordable housing, sterling education, quality healthcare, and preserving nature. And the budget surplus means we have the resources to invest in these efforts.

A public bank similar to North Dakota's is one tool the state could use to support public-interest projects. By collaborating with local financial institutions, a public bank could increase access to capital for housing developers and offer low-interest loans to help communities mitigate flooding impacts.

Watching communities like DeForest and Port Washington come together, regardless of partisanship, to stand up against Silicon Valley's colonization of our resources shows that most of us agree on the essentials. DeForest residents convinced the village board to reject a data center. Port Washington passed a referendum mandating regulations for large-scale projects after the town council approved a data center in spite of community objections. These examples illustrate that we can find ways to work together and that we care about our communities.

My background in community organizing and journalism means I know how to listen to people, and I have done that across the state and the district. It would be my honor to represent you in the state assembly.

Best,  
Zoe Sullivan



## Ten Easy Ways to Save Energy This Summer

From Madison Gas and Electric (MGE)

Stay cool and comfortable at home with these tips from MGE.

1. Use a qualified contractor to professionally maintain your central air at least every two years. And be sure to routinely clean leaves and grass clippings off your outdoor air conditioning unit.

2. Run major appliances before 10 a.m. and after 9 p.m. or on weekends. This helps lower the demand for power during peak times.

3. Set your thermostat as high as is comfortable, preferably 78° or higher when you are home and up to 85° when you are away. Consider upgrading to a smart thermostat - they can adjust temperatures automatically based on your routine and can make saving energy easier. Consider participating in MGE Connect® and help reduce strain

on the electric grid during periods of heavy energy use—all while getting a reward!

4. Swap your light bulbs with LED bulbs, which use up to 75% less energy than standard incandescent bulbs and last longer.

5. Unplug your phone chargers, printers, computers and other electronics when you are not using them. These devices can still use energy when not in use. Standby or "phantom" power can account for 5% to 10% of your total energy use.

6. Run a whole-house fan, room fan or ceiling fan. Be sure to turn off ceiling and room fans when no one is in the room—fans cool people, not rooms.

7. Seal around your window air conditioner so cool air cannot escape. If you need to purchase a new unit, consider a Wi-Fi window air conditioner - you can control them

remotely with smartphone apps, which allow you to adjust the temperature while you're away.

8. Keep your window coverings closed to block out direct sunlight.

9. Run full loads in your washer and dryer to cut down on excess energy usage.

10. Keep your water heater temperature set at 120°, and if you go on vacation, remember to switch it to vacation mode.

By managing our energy use collectively, we can help manage energy costs and reduce carbon emissions as we work together to achieve net-zero carbon electricity by 2050. Find other ways to save energy at [mge.com](http://mge.com).

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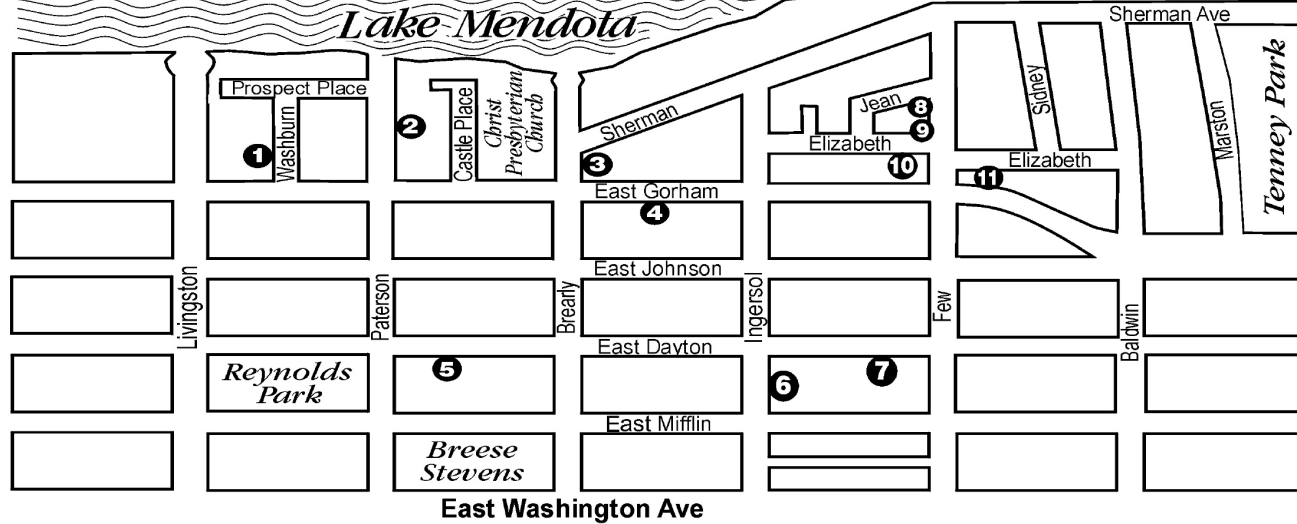


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# Tenney/Lapham Neighborhood Art Walk

Sunday, June 21, 2026, 1-5 pm



On Sunday, June 21, 2026, 1-5pm you will experience the Tenney/Lapham Neighborhood's 24th Annual Art Walk. Fourteen visual artists who live in our neighborhood will exhibit their original artwork. Use this map to guide yourself to each of the artist's home exhibits. Look for a fuchsia-colored sign at each artist's house. The artists have described their own artwork in the following paragraphs. For more information, email: [sharonredinger@gmail.com](mailto:sharonredinger@gmail.com) Get additional maps at 408 Washburn Place. Parking is available in the Christ Presbyterian Church parking lot, in the 1000 block of East Gorham.

**1. Sharon Redinger**, 408 Washburn Place  
608-695-2169, [sharonredinger@gmail.com](mailto:sharonredinger@gmail.com)  
WATERCOLOR PAINTING

The close-up world of leaves and the splendor of landscape has captured Sharon's attention in her painting. Sharon's watercolor style is described as Hard-edge Watercolor Painting. Multiple layers of color washes create saturated colors and dark shadows. Sharon also paints a series of fruit paintings called "Fruitful Art". [redingercreations.com](http://redingercreations.com)

**1. Bill Redinger**, 408 Washburn Place  
608-695-2169, [billredinger@gmail.com](mailto:billredinger@gmail.com)  
SERIGRAPH PRINTING & WATERCOLOR PAINTING

Wildflowers are my favorite subject matter for printing Serigraphs,—they have become a metaphor of the brevity of life. Each print captures form, light and fleeting beauty. Bill is also working on a watercolor series with Sharon called "Fruitful Art". He paints veggies. [redingercreations.com](http://redingercreations.com)

**2. Chris Julson & Mike Franke**

421 N. Paterson Street #2  
608-219-0088, [cjulson@sbcglobal.net](mailto:cjulson@sbcglobal.net)  
PHOTOGRAPHY

Chris and Mike have managed to combine two of their favorite pastimes: travel and photography. Mike has been traveling the world since the early 70s with Chris joining him in the mid-80s. Together they have visited over 70 countries. Photos and photo cards from all 7 continents are on display. Though neither is a professional photographer, both enjoy making

photos that capture the faces and places they've visited. They enjoy sharing them with their families and friends. Chris exhibits her images at various venues throughout the Madison area

**3. Brian McCormick**, 407 N. Bready St.  
608-695-4369, [brianmc52@yahoo.com](mailto:brianmc52@yahoo.com)  
WATERCOLORS & WOODBLOCK PRINTS  
Previously a preservation architect, Brian now spends some of his time in retirement making art. He has painted since he was a child but didn't try watercolors until college. He did not take a woodblock printmaking class until after his retirement. He often combines the two media, adding watercolor to his prints. He is inspired by the local natural and built environments, especially trees, gardens, prairies and water. More of Brian's work can be seen at U-Frame-It on Johnson Street; Outside the Lines Art Gallery in both Dubuque, Iowa, and Galena, Illinois; and at his website: [brianmccormick.artspan.com](http://brianmccormick.artspan.com).

**4. Kelsey Voy**, 1029 E Gorham Street  
PRINTING, PAPERMAKING, & BOOKMAKING  
Kelsey is a book artist, hand papermaker, print maker, and sewist. She draws with thread, prints with memory, and appreciates paper and cloth for their intricacies in carrying information. Kelsey's books, prints, and paper goods share a textile sensibility in form and visual language. She is deeply inspired by quilts, seams, pockets, and the magical potential for these everyday textiles to hold our love and loss. Kelsey will have a colorful display of prints, broadsides, pocket birds, handmade paper, and artist books for sale. You connect with Kelsey and view her work via instagram [@paperdoll.paperworld](https://www.instagram.com/paperdoll.paperworld).

**4. Gabrille Gaines**, 1029 E Gorham Street  
WATERCOLOR PENCIL ILLUSTRATION  
Gabri is an illustrator with an affinity for finding the whimsical in the ordinary, and fostered the transformation of colors and shapes which grew from the margins of lined notebooks. In developing her style, she strives to capture the effervescence of daydreams and the vibrancy of nature, from the glow of the sun's rays filtering through the leaves of the trees to its dancing across the multitudes of gradients held within bodies of water. Her work is a journey representing identity, connection, and emotion, as well as to capture the brilliance of even the most subtle of life's experiences. Take a peek into Gabri's world through Instagram [@ge.bre.e](https://www.instagram.com/ge.bre.e).

**5. Ken Vogel**, 917 East Dayton Street  
608-256-8131

PUPPET MAKER

"I've been making puppets, mostly string but also hand, for over fifty years. Most of them are of people, famous and not, but there are animal ones as well. The heads are made of papier-mâché and the bodies of cardboard and newspaper tubes. I sew the costumes on my 1940's Singer. I welcome commissions and requests for specific characters."

**6. Jeanne Wilkinson**, 119 N Ingersoll  
DIGITAL ART & PHOTOGRAPHY

Formerly an abstract painter, Jeanne Wilkinson now works with digital processes involving photographs, digital collages and videos, some of them incorporating her former paintings. Her "Painted People" series involves Barbies, Kens, and GI Joes transformed in her Brooklyn studio into a clan of wanderers who explore the earth and beyond. Other series involve landscapes, flowers, and "City Symmetry" imagery. One of her many "Cloud Tunnel" video installations, "Earthlings: Revisited" was shown at the Overture Center for the Arts in Madison during their Fringe Festival in February-March 2026. Her work has been shown in New York City and internationally, in numerous publications online, film festivals, and theater events.

**6. Frank Lind**, 119 N Ingersoll  
PAINTINGS

Frank Lind is a realist painter of landscape, seascape, figures, and flowers. One of his favorite muses is the Atlantic Ocean: the flora and fauna of the seashore, the movement of the waves, and the play of light on water. He also makes new versions of old paintings by artists like Winslow Homer, adding modern-day figures that contrast in intriguing ways to the 19th century scenarios. Lind's work has been shown extensively in New York City and internationally. His latest show was a one-person exhibition at the Georges Berges Gallery in SoHo, NYC, in November, 2025, and upcoming shows are planned.

**7. Peter Robertson**, 1137 E. Dayton Street  
608-332-7216 [probertson1137@gmail.com](mailto:probertson1137@gmail.com)  
POTTERY

I grew up in Hershey PA in a house that had a kick potter's wheel and a kiln in the basement. It was my father's hobby when he wasn't designing industrial furnaces. It must have gotten under my skin as I have always enjoyed working with clay. After 24 years in the pasta business, I have pivoted back to art. Diving deep into ceramics for enjoyment is my next stage. [Robertsonstudio.etsy.com](https://www.etsy.com/shop/Robertsonstudio)

**8. Sydney Fine**, 432 N Few Street  
612-961-8641

JEWELRY

Sydney (Theory Earrings) makes colorful, funky, lightweight earrings out of epoxy resin and alcohol ink. Resin art started as a COVID hobby, she took a long break from it, and came back to it about a year ago as a means of creative expression. Sydney is herself a lover of playful statement earrings and has a large collection at home. Follow [@theory.earrings](https://www.instagram.com/theory.earrings) for updates on the latest creations!

**9. Sharon Gould**, 422 N Few Street  
608-669-1687 [sharongould66@gmail.com](mailto:sharongould66@gmail.com)

PORTRAITURE-black/white charcoal drawings,  
PHOTOGRAPHY

As a student of the local art studio, Atwood Atelier, Sharon draws portraits from live models. She works to bring in personality and contrast to make the portrait come alive, identifying the subtle expression or the glint in the eye. Her analytical style brings in a lifelike rendering of the subject. Her approach focuses on two medium styles – black charcoal on toned paper, highlighting with white charcoal. She also focuses on the reverse – white charcoal on black paper, drawing from the negative.

**10. Lisa Cooper**, 1145 Elizabeth Street  
POTTERY

Lisa threw clay in community studios in DC, New York City, and the Bay Area before landing in Madison, where she works at the Midwest Clay Project on N. Bryan Street. A medievalist by profession on the faculty of UW-Madison, she makes functional stoneware and also employs the techniques of sgraffito and carving to produce cathedral-inspired mugs, vases, and flower-holders. You can find her on Instagram as [@artificium\\_clayworks](https://www.instagram.com/artificium_clayworks).

**11. Wendee Gardner**, 1205 Elizabeth Street  
[wendee.gardner@gmail.com](mailto:wendee.gardner@gmail.com)

CERAMICS

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## A Case for Traffic Calming

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avoid human injury and fatalities. We have the knowledge, the tools, and proven models to do better. Cities like Pittsburgh are demonstrating that community-driven, low-cost traffic calming works—reducing speeds by an average of 6 mph and creating environments where people feel safe walking, biking, and letting their children play outside. Organizations like Strong Towns have documented both the problems and solutions with extensive research. Federal highways like East Washington Avenue exist specifically to handle through-traffic.

What we need now is the will to act, with evidence-based solutions implemented thoughtfully and transparently. Every week we delay, more families face the

risk of experiencing the devastating loss that Alexander Rosen's family, friends, and community now endure.

We can act now to ensure that Johnson, Gorham, and other neighborhood streets in Madison become places where crossing to get to school, walking to visit a neighbor or go to the park, or biking to work are safe, pleasant experiences rather than life-threatening gambles. We urge the city to remove the signs redirecting John Nolen overflow traffic onto residential streets in the Tenney Lapham Neighborhood, and begin implementing low-cost, temporary measures in the built environment to calm traffic and make our community a safe and flourishing place to live.

For Reference and Citations see online version at: <https://tenneylapham.org/about-tlna/committees/traffic-and-safety/a-case-for-traffic-calming/>



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35 Sherman Ter #3 (A/O)	852	\$200,000
625 E Mifflin #309	809	\$350,000
123 N Blount #404 (A/O)	1070	\$485,000
1137 Elizabeth (A/O)	1444	\$575,000
1130 E Gorham	1663	\$750,000
752 E Gorham	5374	\$1,950,000

Sold	Days on Market	List Price	Sale Price
33 Sherman Ter #3	7	\$170,000	\$170,000
15 Sherman Ter #1	17	\$195,000	\$175,000
921 E Johnson	5	\$200,000	\$175,000
311 N Hancock #223	96	\$295,000	\$280,000
625 E Mifflin #213	5	\$307,000	\$307,000
625 E Mifflin #217 (C/O)	4	\$299,900	\$310,000
311 N Hancock #125	1	\$300,000	\$310,000
311 N Hancock #231 (C/O)	13	\$300,000	\$313,000
1140 E Dayton #205 (C/O)	171	\$385,000	\$340,000
407 Rogers	1	\$350,000	\$360,500
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