

Winter 2022

A Front Row Seat to Community Building



Marta Staple

By Maggie Porter Kratz

For the last five years or so, Marta Staple has served on the TLNA Council as the Events Chair. She has been the heart of organizing the events that have united us and we are grateful for the energy and intention she brought to her time on the role. As she steps down, we thank her for her work, and look towards the future.

Marta’s favorite events have been the ones organized by a group of neighbors with a big idea that they turn into a daring event. She remembers when Party in the Park started as a potluck hosted by the owners of Cork N’ Bottle, featuring the string band of the same name and a kiddie pool full of sand and surprises outside of Burnie’s Rock Shop. Later neighbors transitioned it to Reynolds Park, throwing a picnic style party where all were welcomed.

Skating Night was another highlight, where neighbors from across Tenney Lapham gathered at our frozen lagoon. The Council provided free skate rentals and a ticket for hot cocoa. Families with young kids were excited to join in this activity. The parks loved it as well because it increased use and awareness of the resources here.

Most importantly, Marta has loved how events draw the community together. We all do better when we lift each other up. She shared that when neighbors know each other, schools and other community resources do better. Kids do better when they feel safe and enveloped by a community. Tenney Lapham is a neighborhood with very diverse housing costs and residents

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Another Winter, Another Beautiful Fire and Ice

By Alej Perez

Fire and Ice is a luminary event at Tenney Park championed by Jeannette Deloya and the community volunteers who make this beautiful sparkling event possible. This year’s path was up through early February. There are plans to continue the event into 2023.

“I’ve heard so many incredibly positive comments about the luminary path last week, and about all the people who contributed to making it so... from lantern makers and haulers, to candle buyers, lighters (and re-lighters), to sign-makers and arch builders, to picture-



takers and picture-sharers, and to cleaner-uppers and communicators,” Jeanette Deloya said in a recent follow up to contributors. “Whatever your tools of choice

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From the President Tyler Lark

Welcome to the winter issue of the Tenney-Lapham neighborhood newsletter—the first of the new year!

A quick introduction in case we haven't met: I moved to the neighborhood in 2012, got involved in TLNA shortly afterwards, and now live adjacent to Reynolds park with my partner Alyssa and our one-year-old daughter, Vera. After several years helping TLNA with newsletter delivery, parks projects, and most recently serving as vice president, I'm excited to finally step up and try out this president thing--and hopefully continue all the great work of our past councils and members. Speaking of which, I want to give a huge shout out and thank you to Jonny Hunter for serving as TLNA's president for the last two years. Given the pandemic, these probably were the most trying years in TLNA's modern history, and Jonny did a fantastic job keeping TLNA alive and well through it all.

So, what do we have planned for 2022? More of the things we all

love about this neighborhood—like its people, parks, and picnic parties, to name just a few! So many of us these days are searching for more authentic connections to those around us, and my hope is that TLNA can help facilitate that. After all, what better way to reconnect with the world than with a friend and neighbor?

Some of the events we're hoping to help host again this year include the annual Party in the Park,

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Earth Day clean-ups and plantings, the neighborhood art walk, garden tour, and yard sale, and the Linster Memorial Bike Ride, among others. Perhaps we can even revive the beloved backyard chicken Tour de Coops?! If any of these sound fun or you have another idea and are willing to lend a hand, please reach out to anyone on the TLNA council. One thing we're missing this year is a dedicated events chair to coordinate these activities--our last volunteer was so amazing and left such big shoes to fill that we realized no single human could replace her. However, that means we'll need additional help from all of you to put on these great events.

I'd also encourage you to swing by our monthly meetings, which will continue to be held remotely via zoom. These are at 7 p.m. on the second Thursday of every month, and all are welcome to attend. I hear you asking—why would I go to another boring ol' meeting? Well, for one, you can often get the hot details about all the latest happenings in the neighborhood, like which new restaurant is moving in down the street, which bands might come to Breese this summer, and when your favorite block party is planned so that you can clear your work calendar. The zoom links and agendas are sent out via our email listserve, which you can sign up for at <https://groups.io/g/tlna>

Hope to see you around the neighborhood soon!

-Tyler



Alder Update from Brian Benford

Dearest Friends and Neighbors,

I hope that this note finds you well and finding joy. I deeply appreciate having an opportunity to write. I want to thank those that put out this newsletter. So, you might have heard that the alder districts were

redrawn, and beginning January 1st, I am a new alder for many of you. Initially, when I saw the new district maps, I was somewhat disappointed. You see, I know the old District 6 like the back of my hand. I spent over 35 years raising my kids, working, and socializing with-

in what was the District 6. Don't get me wrong, like many Madisonians, I too, have spent many enjoyable days at Tenney Park or visiting the cool shops and restaurants on Johnson Street. In the past, I helped to facilitate youth programming at Lapham elementary school, getting to know many wonderful TLNA families over the years. While I may not be intimately acquainted with your neighborhood, I look forward to serving you all.

Recently I was made aware of the TLNA Welcome Garden through a grant proposal submitted to the City to rejuvenate the garden. As I read the proposal, I learned about the "Garden Mafia" and the decade's long volunteer effort to sustain the Welcome Garden. I caught a glimpse of the amazing people, past and present, that work tirelessly to make our neighborhood better. For the rest of my term, I sincerely look forward to learning more about what you think makes for a great neighborhood. If you have any concerns, solutions, questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me at district6@cityofmadison.com.

Best wishes and care,
BB

Agrace Offers In-Person and Virtual Group Options in March

By Lindsay Huebner

In March, Agrace is offering professionally led, in-person and virtual (accessible with a tablet, computer or smartphone) grief support groups.

Family Grief Support Program is for families with children aged 5 to 18 who are grieving the death of a primary caregiver or child. It meets in-person every other Tuesday, from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Agrace Grief Support Center. For dates and to register, call (608) 327-7135.

Journey Through Grief is a six-week grief support group series for adults. It meets Tuesdays, March 22 to April 26, from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m., at the Agrace Grief Support Center.

Bridges is for adults grieving the death of any loved one. Meetings are held every other Wednesday.

- Virtual meetings are March 2, 16 and 30, from 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.
- In-person meetings are March 9 and 23, from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Agrace Grief Support

Center.

Spouse/Partner Loss Support is a six-week grief support group series for adults whose spouse or partner has died. It meets online Mondays, March 15 to April 19, from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

There is no fee for these programs if a participant's family member was in hospice care in the past 12 months; fees for others can be lowered or waived, if needed. Pre-registration is required; call (608) 327-7118 with questions or to register.



Dane County to Hit New Green Milestone: 100% Sustainable Electricity Use in Matter of Months



Dane County Executive Joe Parisi

We may be in the first few weeks of the New Year, but Dane County's effort to embrace clean, green renewable energy is already set to reach a significant milestone in 2022. In a matter of months, Dane County will be the first public entity of its size in the region to power its facilities with 100% renewable electricity. This means Dane County government will produce more renewable energy than the total amount of electricity it consumes for its operations.

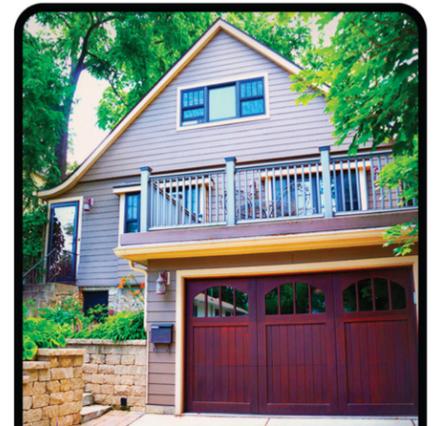
Through a partnership with Alliant Energy and SunVest Solar, construction is slated to begin this spring on a 90-acre solar farm on county land near our renewable natural gas production facility off Highway 12. When complete, this project will generate over 17 megawatts of electricity, enough energy to power 3,100 homes per year.

The renewable electricity generated from this new project will reduce greenhouse gas emissions in an amount equivalent to the emissions produced by over 4,000 vehicles or the burning of 14,000 tons of coal per year.

Dane County currently receives about 45% of its electricity from renewable sources. The new installation – combined with our 9-megawatt solar project with MGE at the Dane County Regional Airport and nearly 20 other solar installations at county facilities – will push us to our goal of achieving 100% renewable electricity status. This milestone has been years in the making and will mark significant progress in our ongoing effort to combat climate change.

Simply put: if we want to move the dial on the climate crisis, this kind of work cannot wait decades or it will prove too little, too late. We all have a responsibility to act now, and that's just what the Dane County government is doing. There are hundreds of solar installations on schools, local governments, businesses, and nonprofits in Dane County, and thousands of residents have opted for solar panels on their homes. A more sustainable future

is within our reach, and I encourage everyone in our community to continue to take bold action.



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Tenney/Lapham Neighborhood Art Walk CALL FOR ARTISTS

By Sharon Redinger

The Tenney/Lapham Neighborhood Art Walk will take place on Sunday, June 26, 1-5pm.

If you are an artist who lives in the Tenney/Lapham neighborhood and would like to exhibit your work at your home (maybe on your porch or driveway depending on the state of the pandemic), please email Sharon Redinger at sharonredinger@gmail.com. The Art Walk is for visual artists only.



Ash tree fundraising and adoption a success--thank you!

This year's campaign to support the Ash trees in our neighborhood parks was a huge success! In total, neighbors donated over \$7000 by the end of December, enough to fully treat ALL of the Ash in Tenney, Reynolds, and James Madison

parks and keep them protected from the Emerald Ash Borer (or preemptive removal!) until at least 2025. This spring, TLNA will work together with a local arborist and the City Parks department to get the healthy eligible Ash retreated.

Thank you to all who donated and helped keep these mature shade trees alive in our parks! Their presence is a standing reminder of the great care and generosity of the people who live here.



A Reminder to Vote on April 5

Shirley Haidinger, LWVDC

If anyone is wondering why the City of Madison did not have a Spring Primary Election in February it is because no office on the April Spring Election ballot had enough candidates to require a primary.

There will be a Spring Election, however, and everyone is encouraged to get out and vote. The election will be held on Tuesday, April 5, to elect judicial, educational, and municipal officers, and non-partisan county officers.

Offices up for election are:

Court of Appeals judge: Dane County is in District 4.

Dane County Circuit Court judge:

There are five seats up for election. These are at-large seats.

Dane County Board supervisors: All 37 seats are up for election. Voters vote for candidates who are running in their district.

School Board members: Madison Metropolitan School District (MMSD), has three seats up for election. MMSD board members are elected at-large, meaning all three seats will appear on the ballot.

To comply with redistricting, new ward and alder district boundaries were adopted by the Common Council in November 2021. Several polling places have also moved since 2021. The ward numbers and polling places are up-to-date on the MyVote Wisconsin website. Use the Find My Polling Place button

to search by your address. You can also search by address on the city website, www.cityofmadison.com/WhereDoIVote.

To be sure you are registered at your current address, use the myvote.wi.gov link to check. Anyone who moved will need to re-register. This can be done online or at any Madison public library up to 20 days before the election. After that date, people can register at the clerk's office or at the polls on election day, with proof of residence. A photo ID is required for voting.

Local elections are very important to our everyday lives. Check out the candidates, make sure you are registered, and vote!

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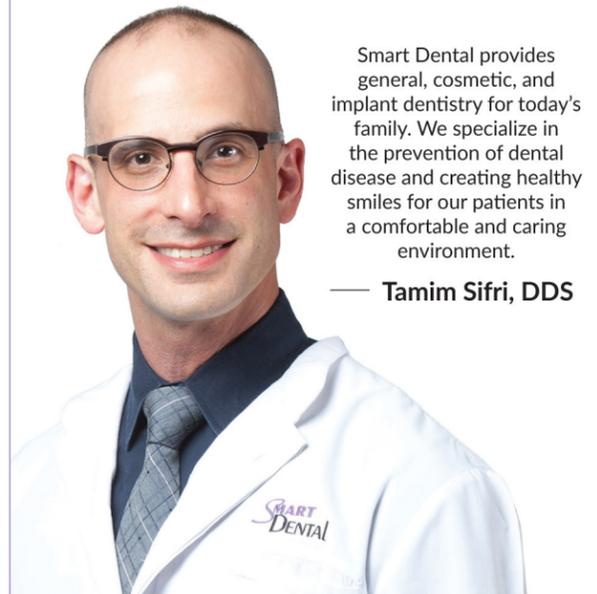
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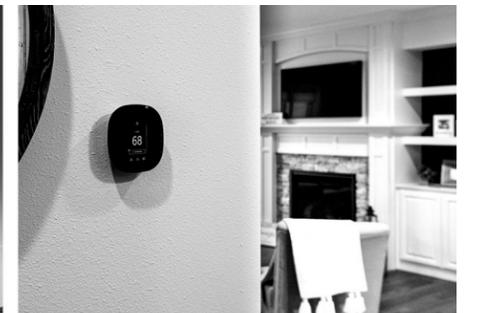
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Meet Your TLNA Council Members

Every year the council for TLNA welcomes some new faces. This year we thought it would be good to share a bit more about who is who and what they're bringing to the council this year.



Tyler Lark - President

"This year I'm particularly excited to reconnect with neighbors,

welcome new ones, and support the many amazing people doing great things right here in our neighborhood. If you have an idea for a community project, activity, or event you'd like to see, please reach out and let's make it happen!"

Joe Lusson - Vice President

After a 6 year hiatus, Joe Lusson returns to the TLNA council. A past president of TLNA, Joe is eager to help forge connections between neighbors, represent the neighborhood's interests in city matters and boost our fundraising abilities to support neighbors and schools in need. Joe lives near James Madison



Joe Lusson - Vice President

Park with his wife and daughters, ages 7 and 11.

Alej Perez joined the TLNA council in summer of 2021 after wanting to be involved in their neighborhood, building connections and amplifying unheard voices and projects. Alej has lived in Madison almost forever so it's likely you've seen them before: playing shows in multiple bands at Mickey's, volunteering at Communication, serving dinner at any of the fine restaurants downtown, or slingin' books at Room of One's Own. They worked at UW-Madison Continuing Studies for several years where they earned some marketing and communication skills. Alej is passionate about

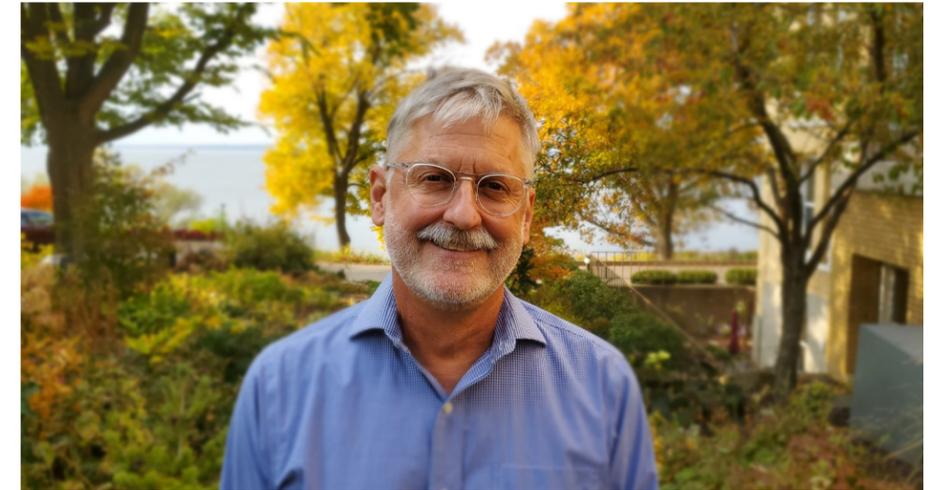


Alej Perez - Communications

creativity, the human connection, and is currently pursuing a Master of Science in Marriage and Family Therapy. They live on the 100 block of N Paterson with their fiance, Kyle, and their pets Cosmo (dog) and Lo (cat).

Madeline Stone Kutis - Area 1 Rep

"My partner and I have lived in TL for five years and love it dearly. I love gardening and wrangling my old house on Mifflin. I'm looking forward to bringing my love of the neighborhood, and my passions for walkability, accessible and dense housing, and diversity to the council as an area rep."



Bob Klebba - Development

"I moved to Madison for grad school and have lived in Tenney-Lapham for 20-some years now. My family and I now live in the historic Dora and William Collins House in James Madison Park, which we operate as a bed and breakfast. I'm still learning how to garden on our very sandy Fourth Lake Ridge drumlin and I'm having fun in the process. My husband and I enjoy helping find forever homes for our foster dogs, a very rewarding experience every time. My work on the TLNA council has mostly involved

Transportation and Safety where I worked on the East Mifflin Bike Boulevard diverter, a comprehensive survey on neighborhood traffic issues, collaboration with the Marquette Neighborhood Association on E Washington Ave traffic calming, and interfacing with City Traffic Engineering. I'm now the Development chair which I'm sure will keep me busy. I look forward to hearing from you about neighborhood issues and to seeing you around."

Maggie Porter Kratz - Engagement

Maggie Porter Kratz is the engagement chair for the council. That means that if you've let your renewal slip, you'll be hearing from her, or, even better, you can renew or sign up today at www.tenneylapham.org. Maggie and her husband Jeremy have lived in the neighborhood for almost 6 years and they love it. Her daughter attends Lapham Elementary School and her son attends Red Caboose Childcare. Maggie works as the Vice President of Philanthropy at the Madison College Foundation, raising support that allows local students with financial need to attend college and pursue their dreams.



Maggie Porter Kratz

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You Make a Difference in Tenney-Lapham's Accessibility

Alyssa Ryanjoy

I love living in Tenney-Lapham neighborhood, and one of the reasons is that there are restaurants, parks, libraries, and shopping all within walking distance. Even during this time period when many of us are trying to avoid indoor crowds, our neighborhood has ice skating, sledding hills, and is just a nice place to take a winter stroll.

All of these places are not only walkable but accessible to those of us with disabilities. But when the snow falls, we are often stuck. Just one un-shoveled stretch in front of a house can make getting through exhausting, dangerous, or impossible. People who have balance or mobility issues can slip and fall. Folks who are blind or low-vision have difficulty navigating with a cane. People using walkers may need to carry them with already weak muscles. Those using wheelchairs can get trapped in place.

I love taking my kids to the park or downtown to the library, but for parts of the season, I lose that independence that I could easily keep if all walks were shoveled properly.

We rely on the independent decisions of thousands of homeowners for our city's accessibility. I'd rather my independence not hinge on one person's decision to shovel or not to shovel. I'd love to collectively pay taxes that enable the city to plow all the sidewalks. I've heard of neighborhoods taking this into their own hands and asking all property owners to agree to a small fee to collectively hire a snow removal business. Since this is not the situation we find ourselves in, I'm kindly asking for your participation in two things.

1. Shovel your sidewalks as quickly and as thoroughly as you can after it snows.

Our city ordinance states:

The owner of each lot or part of lot shall remove all snow and ice upon the sidewalk abutting the premises which he or she owns not later than

12:00 noon of the day after the snow or ice has accumulated on the sidewalk, regardless of the source of accumulation. The owner of property abutting sidewalks on two intersecting streets shall remove all snow and ice from the sidewalks of both streets, including that portion of the sidewalks bordering the crosswalk, including the curb ramp, if any, regardless of the source of the snow accumulation.

Note that the ordinance indicates that the entire width of the sidewalk needs to be cleared. Please remember to do so on the curb ramps as well. What looks like a fine little foot path for someone walking is not going to work for a wheelchair or other assistive devices. I know it's difficult when the snow plows make big piles on the corners, but this is a crucial piece of following the ordinance that keeps our walks accessible.

If you're not able to clear the walks because of your own physical capabilities or because you are out of town, ensure you've asked a neighbor for help or hire one of our

wonderful local snow removal businesses.

2. Take measures to ensure that your neighbors are also clearing their walks.

If you have the time and ability to help neighbors remove snow, please let them know. If you see that someone's walk is not shoveled, remind them why this is important. And lastly, this might not be the tip that everyone wants to hear, but report properties that have not cleared snow and ice off of their sidewalk by going to:

<https://www.cityofmadison.com/reportaproblem/sidewalk.cfm>

You taking this step to ensure accountability for shoveling today might mean that a person with a disability avoids getting hurt or stuck tomorrow.

Thanks to all those who are amazing shovelers in our neighborhood. I hope reading this gives people a renewed sense of purpose in what could be just another daily task. This is an important action for being an ally to people with disabilities.

Children's Theater of Madison Seeks Volunteers

By Amy Montoya

Children's Theater of Madison (CTM), your neighbor inside Madison Youth Arts Center (MYArts) is looking to build their volunteer pool! They would love to have you join them at their events. Volunteers are very important to the organization as they represent the community we live in and help support the mission of community-building within the theater.

Those who are interested in volunteering for roles such as theater ushers, concessions cashiers, and box office assistants should email volunteer@ctmtheater.org for more

information. A brief volunteer application will be sent to you, and once completed, you will be sent the list of volunteer opportunities.

CTM's next show, Calabasas Street, runs from March 12-27 at the MYArts Starlight Theater. We need volunteers for this production! It's a story about Young Domingo Sanchez, who learns the true meaning of friendship in this delightful story of chance encounters and beautiful piñatas. To volunteer for this show, email volunteer@ctmtheater.org, and to purchase tickets, visit ctmtheater.org.

We hope to see you at the theater!



Ryan McCormick - Area 4 Rep

"I am a 22-year Madison resident, and bought my East Mifflin home in 2013. Lifelong soccer player, houseplant addict, gardener, writer

with 15-year writer's block, and passionate home cook. You may see me slowly walking my elderly sweetheart pitbull Willow."

Pat Kelly

"My name is Pat Kelly and this is my third year serving as Parks chair on the council. I have really enjoyed getting to meet so many people in our neighborhood who are committed to keeping this a healthy, affordable and fun place to live.

I greatly appreciate:

Being able to work on the expanding fruit garden at Reynold's park

That our neighbors have generously given donations to continue treating our beautiful Ash trees at our 3 major parks,

That James Madison Park has developed an active Friends group

That so many neighbors showed up on Earth Day to help clean our parks.

That we continue to work with Fresh Start and other volunteers to keep the garden beds well maintained at Tenney park, James Madison and Reynolds.

Looking forward to keeping all of this going and to renewing the garden bed around the Tenney/Lapham welcome sign.



Pat Kelly

Meet Your TLNA Council Members

The beautiful thing about these volunteer roles is that it brings together many different neighbors with one common goal: to create and sustain a caring community that drives connection and wellness. We don't have everyone represented in detail in this article, so please see our first page that lists all council member roles and contact information. If you're interested in seeing yourself on the council, please visit tenneylapham.com and head to the contact us tab to fill out the contact form. Volunteering with the council is a great way to meet new people, create neighborly connections, and make change where it's needed!



Vision Zero and its Discontents

by Michael Barrett

Vision Zero, a road safety strategy that prioritizes walkers & bicyclists, has been adopted by the City of Madison and has been a topic of interest, particularly in our more walkable neighborhoods on the isthmus. Unfortunately, Madison transportation policy has not aligned with Vision Zero's goals.

A Swedish Road-Planning Strategy, Vision Zero has helped save lives in Utah, Minnesota, and Washington with traffic fatalities declining by 40 percent. By contrast, nationwide, the number of pedestrians killed by traffic has soared. (More here: <https://www.yesmagazine.org/people-power/For-Walkers-and-Cyclists-Swedish-Road-Planning-Strategy-Save-Lives-Vision-Zero>). We lost eight neighbors to traffic violence on East Washington over the last year alone. Nationwide, victims of traffic violence are disproportionately children, seniors, and people of color.

Vision Zero sounds like a grand solution, right? Unfortunately, there is a major contradiction between the aspirations of Vision Zero and the actual policies implemented by our mayor and alders. Road embiggenings—voted for in capital budgets, year after year by our alders—end up resembling MadMax landscapes. Then we are shocked when MadMax behaviors ensue. Vision Zero ends up being an endless mirage.

We are told that East Washington Avenue is off limits from any traffic violence reduction strategy because it is a US highway. But this is bunkum. East Wash is classified—by the state and federal governments—as an Urban Segment of a US Highway. Under such a classification, local desires hold sway. It isn't absolute. But there is a huge amount of flexibility. We have never—ever—

approached the limits of that flexibility. Witness the reconstruction of E Wash during the early Aughts. There are any number of non-standard design elements that the people of Madison, through local government, put in place, the highwayman's manual notwithstanding. Narrow, "substandard" lanes (traffic calming), irregular/weavy lanes (ditto), full cut-off lighting (so motorists can see pedestrians instead of getting blinded by glary lights), curb bulb-outs (to shorten pedestrian crossing distance), etc. Not enough, to be sure. But the point is, we have a high degree of autonomy if we choose to exercise it.

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More recently, our mayor throttled down speed limits on East Wash without an act of Congress. Lanes were closed during the worst of the drag racing. The Vos-Fitzgerald Axis could not stand in the way. It's just a matter of will. Our will.

Strictly locally (no fed/state involvement), Paterson and Ingersoll at E Wash more recently went from neighborhood-scaled 2 travel lane streets to maximal-width speed accelerators. Paterson is now 4 full travel lanes at East Wash. Ingersoll went from 2-lanes with parking to 3 travel lanes in the block between E Wash & Mifflin. With each new big building (which, along E Washington, I'm mostly for), the city highwaymen see an opportunity to create a traffic engineer's dreamscape that maximizes speed & traffic throughput. The highwaymen will lecture us about the new developments "necessitating" more lanes. But the whole point of mixed-use + density is to obviate car travel; to

keep things walkable & neighborhood-oriented. We the People made this clear in countless citizen-led, council-adopted plans for this & other isthmus hoods dating back at least to the early 90s.

Now pedestrians face daunting distances and concomitant dangers created by these widenings. Traffic turning on/off East Wash previously had to slow down to humane speeds entering our hoods because of the tight corners. Now the corners have been rounded off to keep turning speeds fast. No federal official held a gun to our alders' heads to make these pro-car, anti-pedestrian speed promoters happen.

Another nearby example: The *local* streets converging at the hairball intersection of Williamson, E. Wilson, Blair & John Nolen: widened and reconfigured for maximum speeds.

Back to E. Wash, the city has decided to now make this already over-sized road even bigger by converting parking into travel lanes. The capacity efficiencies & transit-oriented development of Bus Rapid Transit are totally negated through this obscene expansion of an already violent streetscape.

These widenings and speedscapes are happening all over the city. Pedestrians are paying the price. Our alders continue to vote for the skyrocketing traffic violence.

If you truly care about pedestrians' lives, reducing greenhouse gases and enhancing social & racial equity, consider contacting your alder to prioritize public space for people over automobiles. Vision Zero must be more than a campaign nicety.

Michael Barrett has been working to make Madison more pedestrian & bicycle & transit-friendly since 1991.



Hone Makes a Home in Tenney-Lapham:

Letter from the Owner
Mike Parks

My name is Mike, I moved to the Tenney-Lapham neighborhood in 2010. and opened Hone; March 17th of last year at 708 1/4 East Johnson. Hone is my first restaurant, and draws heavily from my experiences overseas.

When we opened the restaurant last year, we couldn't have imagined the response. I am very excited that people in town enjoy lumpia, and doner kebab and many others, as much as I do. I am super excited about the creative chefs and bartenders that have added to our menu. Also, the wonderful new dishes we have been trying with our Saturday night specials, and tasting menus.

Working and living in a neighborhood that keeps evolving and growing has been amazing. I am grateful to have other neighborhood business owners that have helped out, especially in the beginning. I am blessed by the efforts they have made, in concert with the neighborhood association, to make the Johnson Street corridor such a walkable inviting space.

I have most enjoyed watching people who have never considered how to pronounce Jjigae and Mofongo, become experts over the course of a few visits. It reminds me of my time stumbling through phrase books at



tempting to learn the same things. I like sharing the stories of the origins of our dishes with our guests, and letting people know about the history of the George J Oakey General Store, where we reside.

I also enjoy talking with guests visiting town, sometimes from the wonderful Mendota Lake House Inn. Letting them know about the many great restaurants and sights in town. It reminds me of all of the wonderful people who took the time to help me learn about their hometowns, and what makes their part of the world unique.

We want to be a place where everyone can come and enjoy good company; whether it is a quick night out or a special occasion with honored guests. We are happy to help make the experience tailored to you and your party.

We have really enjoyed hosting everyone over the past year. We are very thankful for the guests we have had the privilege to meet. We have been thrilled to become a place many people bring their friends when they visit the neighborhood. I have been very grateful for our guest chefs, who have visited to do their own special tasting menus. I am very thankful for the wonderful staff that has helped make the restaurant a reality. They have all been influential in the direction of our restaurant, tasting notes, and our playlist. They bring their ideas and hard work, and we get to create fun experiences together.

In the coming year we are looking forward to hosting you again or for the first time. Thank you all, for making this a wonderful place to work and live.



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**Looking back,
events over
the last 8 years:**

**Sip and Slice: a pie
and home brew pot-
luck**

**Centennial Celebra-
tion: 100 year cel-
ebration of Tenney
Park**

**Party in the Park
(historically an an-
nual event pre-COV-
ID)**

**Taste of Tenney (his-
torically an annual
event pre-COVID)**

**Linster Memorial
Bike Ride and Mem-
bership Drive**

**Free Night of Skate
Rentals at Tenney
Park**

Jam on Johnson

Bike to Work

TLNA Yard Sale

TLNA ART WALK



A Front Row Seat to Community Building

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with a wide variety of backgrounds. Events can help people cross paths with those who they wouldn't necessarily see otherwise. As we (hopefully) emerge from Covid, Marta thinks that events will be important to connecting and reconnecting us here in Tenney Lapham.

Marta also leveraged gatherings to invite people to support causes. This was most successful, she shared, when raising funds for Lapham and Marquette Elementary Schools.

People were happy to give, knowing that the proceeds were being trusted to the school social workers to invest in a variety of needs faced by students here in our neighborhoods.

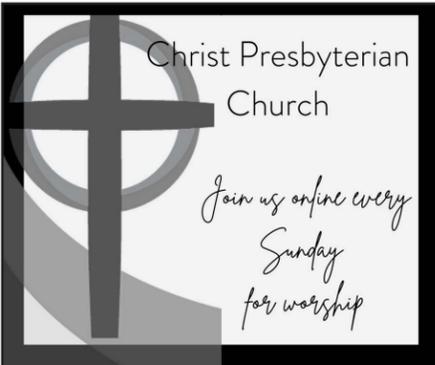
In looking back at her time on the council as event chair, Marta shared that the best part was how fun and satisfying the events were. "We did this," she said, "We built community. It's not just me, it's all these people meeting new people. It is a front seat to community building."



Interested in Organizing an Event?

We no longer have an Events Chair as part of the Council, so that means we need you more than ever. There is a grant application to support organizing efforts within TLNA. If you have an event that you have been wanting to throw, or there is a past event you'd like to organize going forward, please fill out the form at WEB ADDRESS(<http://www.tenneylapham.org/web-data/pdfs/grantapplication.pdf>) or by scanning the QR code. You can apply for up to \$1,000. We will invite you to share at an upcoming council meeting, and if you move forward with the event, we can help promote through social media and (dependent on timing) our newsletter and we can help connect to volunteers and other resources.





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A Letter to the Community From Madison Gas and Electric Company (MGE)



Jeff Keebler

From all of us at MGE, I'd like to wish you a happy new year. The past two years have been challenging but have shown that we're a resilient community when we work together. As friends, neighbors, and community members, we're working together to meet the challenges of our times and to create a better future for this place we call home.

MGE's roots in the Madison area date back more than 150 years. As a critical services provider, we carry a special responsibility to serve our customers 24 hours a day, seven days a week. I'm grateful for our crews and operations employees who continue to meet our community's everyday needs, safely and reliably. We're also working hard to serve you more sustainably and to partner with our customers to grow clean energy in our community.

As we look to the future, MGE has announced investments in solar and battery storage projects that will help us continue to provide reliable, affordable, and sustainable energy in the coming years. The following projects will help to power more than 26,000 households:

- MGE is seeking approval to own 20 megawatts (MW) of solar and 11 MW of battery storage from the 200-MW Paris Solar-Battery Park to be built in Kenosha County.
- If approved, MGE will own 25

MW of solar energy and 7.5 MW of battery storage from the 250-MW Darien Solar Energy Center in southeastern Wisconsin.

- MGE also is seeking approval to own 30 MW of solar and 16.5 MW of battery storage from the 300-MW Koshkonong Solar Energy Center to be built in Dane County.

And, MGE is purchasing a share of the 92-MW Red Barn Wind Farm to be built in Grant County. The wind farm is expected to begin serving MGE customers by the end of 2022.

These projects are another step toward carbon reductions of at least 65% by 2030 and our goal of net-zero carbon by 2050. They also will help meet future energy and capacity needs cost-effectively as we continue our ongoing transition away from coal.

By 2025, with the planned retirement of the coal-fired Columbia power plant, MGE will have eliminated approximately two-thirds of our coal-fired generation capacity. By 2030, our remaining use of coal is expected to be reduced substantially, and by 2035, MGE is expected to eliminate coal as an energy source when the Elm Road power plant will transition to natural gas as its primary fuel source. MGE is a minority owner of both of these plants.

And, MGE is advancing sustainable transportation with a new electric vehicle (EV) fast-charging hub in downtown Madison. You can learn more about these projects at www.mge2050.com.

Our energy future looks bright. Thank you for your continued support and partnership as we work together to build your community energy company for the future.

Sincerely,
Jeff Keebler
MGE Chairman, President and CEO

Fire and Ice

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or whatever your contribution, Fire and Ice 2 did not disappoint."

Looking ahead, Jeannette will be meeting with Pat Kelly (TLNA parks chair) and Tracey Hartley (City of Madison) in the beginning of March to talk about the event at the city's request. For the next event Deloya will need to acquire permits to host it.

"Someone mentioned they thought the path drew 5 times as many visitors as 2021, so the request for a permit is reasonable and, maybe then, we could ask them to turn off the big lights for a limited period of time," said Deloya.

If you're interested in getting involved with the event or offering feedback, Deloya is open to com-



munication. You can reach her at jdelaya4@gmail.com
* What thoughts, questions or suggestions might you have for plan-

ning into next year?
* What went well, what problems were there, what suggestions might you have for refinement or growth?

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TLNA Membership and Listserv

Maggie Porter Kratz

Whether you are new to the neighborhood or have been here for a few seasons, we invite you to join or renew your membership in the Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood Association group. TLNA provides a voice to work with the city on important community issues and financial support across our neighborhood. We help build a sense of community through the distribution of the newsletter, hosting a listserv, and creating and sponsoring socializing events with neighbors. You are welcome to join us!

Join by filling out the form below or online at <https://tenneylapham.org/>.

If you have questions, feel free to contact Maggie Porter Kratz, Engagement Chair at margaret.p.kratz@gmail.com.

I Get By With A Little Help From My Friends

Maggie Porter Kratz

We plan to start a new database to connect those who could use a little help with tasks like mowing or snow shoveling with those

who would like to help. These connections could be from those who would volunteer to complete tasks or could be a paid opportunity for young people in our neighborhood.

We hope to be making these connections in the coming months. If you are interested in potentially being connected with a neighbor please email Maggie at margaret.p.kratz@gmail.com. Look for more information in the future!

TLNA Council Members continued



Rose Staden - Mutual Aid

Year on TLNA council: 1 / Years in the Tenney Lapham neighborhood: 2

“Despite a global pandemic, our first years in Tenney-Lapham has been filled with a sense of community and welcoming neighbors. I hope to add to that as Mutual Aid Coordinator and look forward to many more years in the neighborhood.”

Davie Froeschner - Area 3 Rep

“I am a husband, a father, and a maker. We stumbled into this neighborhood, largely by accident, but plan to stay for years to come as we raise our daughter and grow with the community. I grew up with a colorful childhood and hope to

Housing Listings

Active

Address	Square Ft	List Price
111 N. Blair (2 unit)	1161	\$320,000
1233 Sherman	1967	\$449,000

Pending

123 N. Blount, #602	530	\$209,900
633 E. Johnson	1418	\$235,000
625 E. Mifflin, #205	708	\$250,000
1245 E Mifflin	1391	\$350,000
123 N. Blount, #503	871	\$364,900
421 Sidney	1663	\$535,000

Sold

Address	Days on Market	List Price	Sale Price
37 Sherman Ter #6		\$125,000	\$125,000
13 Sherman Ter #1	3	\$145,000	\$145,000
702 E. Johnson (commercial)		\$225,000	\$199,000
114 N. Blount	7	\$200,000	\$200,000
123 N. Blount, #111		\$225,000	\$219,000
517 E Johnson	3	\$269,900	\$245,000
217 N. Blair		\$325,000	\$315,000
831 E Mifflin	92	\$399,000	\$369,200
936 E Dayton	5	\$374,900	\$390,000
111 N Baldwin	3	\$389,900	\$405,000
310 N. Brearly		\$424,900	\$407,000
625 E. Mifflin, #221		\$399,900	\$410,000
1446 E Dayton	5	\$479,000	\$425,000
1113 Elizabeth	5	\$434,900	\$440,000
405 N Baldwin	14	\$446,900	\$443,400
1209 Elizabeth	20	\$450,000	\$450,000
627 E Gorham	10	\$464,900	\$475,000
123 N. Blount, #307		\$469,000	\$480,000
1254 E. Washington		\$529,000	\$495,000
832 E. Dayton		\$700,000	\$760,000
940 E. Dayton		\$799,900	\$765,000
609 E. Dayton (2 parcels, includes 616 E. Mifflin)			\$1,100,000
918 E. Dayton (5 units)		\$1,100,000	\$1,110,000
441 N. Paterson			\$1,309,500

TLNA Council Members continued



Davie Froeschner

bring my first hand experience with various socio-economic statuses into my role as area rep.”

Keith Wessel - Housing, Newsletter and WEB page

Keith has been on the council for many years. He continues to work on housing issues. For the last two years he has been working on this newsletter and the TLNA WEB page.

Check out the many changes to the WEB page.

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