

**If nobody can learn from the past,
then there's no point in raking it up.**

-Billie Holiday

Recent front pages of The Bridge aimed to be a catalyst for reflection and discussion about all the things that make our Neighborhood what it is today, highlighting connections between people, architecture, parks and rivers and even bridges.

In honor of Black History Month, this issue highlights the story of African Americans in Tenney Lapham, a story that connects us to our past and offers hope for our future.

The area surrounding the intersection of East Dayton and Blount Streets was the center of Madison's first African American neighborhood. In 1902, the St. Paul African Methodist Episcopal Church was established at 625 East Dayton Street by a group that included John Turner, Myra Denning Allison and William Martin Miller. Turner, a freed slave, moved to Madison and founded the Douglass Beneficial Society, a self-help organization based on the teachings of Frederick Douglass. Allison was the daughter of Charles Denning, a Black Civil War Union soldier who ended his service at Camp Randall in 1865. Allison founded a interracial home for female University students in the 1930s and was the first black foster mother in Madison. Miller, a Kentucky law school graduate moved to Madison after being promised a position as Advisor to Governor Robert M. LaFollette. Upon his arrival, Miller's title was lowered by the legislature from Advisor to Messenger because he wasn't allowed practice law in Wisconsin.

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St. Paul AME Congregation, November 1944

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In the last issue we highlighted the stunning new mural being installed in Reynold's Park. On December 17th the Artist, Audifax, TLNA



Audifax and Mary Lang Sollinger

Council Members and neighborhood residents gathered for a celebratory Ribbon Cutting. If you haven't had a chance to check it out, please consider taking a walk through the park and exploring this beautiful and fitting reflection of the history of Tenney/Lapham. Notice the hands holding the fruit in the lower left, the artist's representation of the John Hill Grocery Store profiled on page 7.



More photos of the Ribbon Cutting on our website - <https://tenneylapham.org/about-tlna/committees/parks/audifax-mural-2/>.

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Dane County must stay true to our values in challenging times. I bring my skills, experience, and passion to this fight.

I've been deeply involved in our Eastside community — as an Emerson East neighbor, soccer coach, and hockey mom. And, I've dedicated my career — as a poverty lawyer, union leader, and elected official — to fighting for people harmed by an unfair and racist system.

Endorsed by Progressive Dane and Madison Area Democratic Socialists of America
I'm grateful for the support of these Eastsiders, and I hope to earn your support, too.



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Historic TLNA Condo Building Now Solar Powered

By Jack Williams

Next time you pass by the yellow-brick Das Kronenberg (DK) condominium building on the corner of East Dayton and Blount, pause for a moment to check out the new, 96-panel solar array located on the roof of the attached garage on Blount St. This is to our knowledge the first solar installation on a condominium building in Madison.

The DK solar array went active on Jan 12, 2026 and will provide 60,000 kWh of energy per year. This savings will reduce energy bills by \$6,500 per year and cover 60% of all energy demands in the common-space areas of the DK building. In terms of reduced emissions of carbon dioxide to the atmosphere, this is equivalent to not burning 5,400 gallons of gasoline.

The system was installed by Glow Solar and the project was supported by grants from the City of Madison's MadiSUN program (<https://www.madisunsolar.com/>) which is administered by RENEW Wisconsin (<https://www.renewwisconsin.org/>) and Biden-era tax incentives under the 2022 Inflation Reduction



Das Kronenberg

Act. With these incentives, the estimated return on investment is 6 years.

Installing solar panels on a historic multi-unit building led to a few unusual challenges, which we share here as a guide for others. One was quickly resolved: rather than install-

ing the panels on the six-story building itself, the panels are installed on the sloped roof of the adjacent one-story garage. This solution simplified the permitting process for this historic building, and solar-angle calculations showed that even the new apartment building being built at the corner of Blount and East Washington will have a minimal shading of the solar array.

Second, the Biden-era federal tax incentives could not be easily used by the Das Kronenberg Condominium Association (DKCA), because the DKCA has no net revenue, and dividing the tax break among all condo owners would have been onerous. To solve this challenge, we were fortunate to be able to partner with the Legacy Solar Co-Op (<https://legacysolarcoop.org/>), a Wisconsin-based, member-owned cooperative that helps non-profits, local and state agencies, and other groups adopt solar energy. In our case, Legacy matched us with an anonymous local partner, who paid for the solar array and will claim the

Solar Panels on Das Kronenberg



tax benefits. For the next five years, we will lease the solar array from them, and then have the option to buy back the array. We are deeply grateful to Legacy and this anonymous supporter, who lives somewhere on the East Side, for making this solution possible.

The last challenge was the most difficult and caused the longest delays. Das Kronenberg is a century-old building and its electrical panels are housed in a small space. This led to extensive exchanges with MG&E and several rounds of re-design before permitting was obtained. But, persistence (and a few firmly worded emails) won out.

We are deeply grateful to all who made this project possible, with key DKCA folks involved including Matt Feifarek, Patrick Heck, and building manager Chris Conrad. But, most of all, this project was carried on the back of DKCA's resident hero, Gregg May. His leadership, patience, and expertise carried this project forward over and through all hurdles. Gregg, the planet and DKCA thank you.



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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.

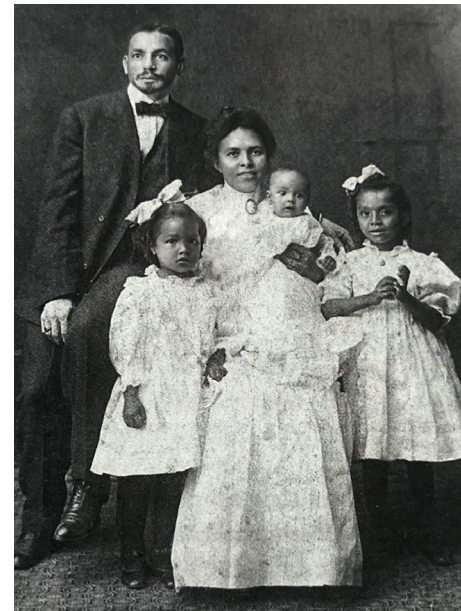
African Americans in Tenney Lapham

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The church that these three helped establish was more than a center for faith, it became a community refuge, offering support against discrimination in housing and employment. In 1928 the congregation moved to 631 East Dayton Street, where it remained until 1964. The original building no longer stands but the Church is credited with helping create and sustain a significant African American community in Madison.



Myra Denning Allison



William and Anna-Mae Miller

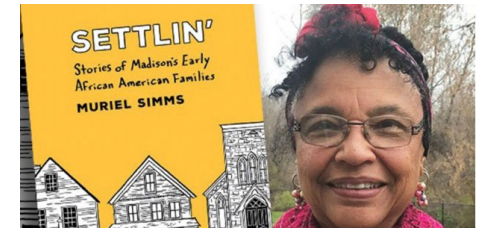
By the late 1940's, 80% of the City's African Americans could be found on the South Side of Madison. In 1988, the East Dayton Street Historic District was listed on the National Register of Historic Places, the following year it was added to the Wisconsin Register. Two significant buildings with ties to that community are still standing. The Thomas Hill Grocery and Residence at 649 East Dayton Street and the William & Anna Mae Miller House at 647 East Dayton Street. More information on the history of these two properties can be found in the following pages.

Settlin': Stories of Madison's Early African American Families

"Only a fraction of what is known about Madison's earliest African American settlers and the vibrant and cohesive communities they formed is preserved in archives and libraries," Simms writes in the introduction to "Settlin': Stories of Madison's Early African American Families" a collection of 25 oral histories she edited.

Simms graduated from UW-Madison in 1968, worked as a middle school teacher and Principal at Lincoln School, and then adjunct faculty member in Edgewood College's educational leadership doctoral program.

During the years she was working and raising a family, Simms hoped that someone would gather the sto-



ries of Madison's early black residents before it was too late. When no one did, she took on the project herself. Check it out at your local Library or online through the Wisconsin Public Library Consortium.

Hill Grocery Store 649 East Dayton Street

The former John and Amanda Hill Grocery store is actually 2 separate structures joined together. The two-story, gable-front building to the west was moved to the site in 1901 by John Turner and served as Douglas Beneficial Hall. The 1 and 1/2 story house on the eastern side was moved to the site in 1912 and served as the parsonage for the St. Paul African Methodist Episcopal Church.



Hill Grocery Store today



John Hill

In 1917, the Hills purchased the buildings for \$45, joined them and opened their grocery store.

For nearly the next 70 years, the store operated at 649 East Dayton Street. According to an article by Madison 365 reporter Mackenzie Krumme, "the Grocery store was open seven days a week with reduced hours on the weekends and the occasional holiday off. The Hills never hired any help, the only people that ever worked in the store were John and Amanda and their three children." John and Amanda had a goal of sending all three of their children to college. They succeeded and their daughter Freddie Mae Hill, became the first Black woman to graduate from UW-Madison in 1928.



Freddie Mae Hill

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The Miller House 647 East Dayton Street



Miller House today

Originally built in 1853 on the corner of Pinckney and Johnson Streets, the Miller House was moved to its current location at 647 East Dayton Street in 1908 by William and Anna Mae Miller. It was one of three houses owned by the family on East Dayton and the only one which is still standing. It is believed to be the oldest surviving Black-owned building in Madison.

William Miller played a major role in the founding of the St. Paul African Methodist Episcopal Church that became a magnet for African Americans in Madison. Anna Mae established a Black literary club and was one of the founding members of Madison's chapter of the NAACP. The house



William and Anna Mae Miller on their Wedding Day

initially was used as a rooming house for Black migrants to Madison. In 1919 the family moved into the house. William died the following year, but Anna Mae continued to live in the house until her death in 1963, and their daughter Lucile kept the house in the family until 1978.

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William Miller Carried To Polls To Vote For His Old Chief, La Follette

Messenger in Governor's Office Named by La Follette Passes Away After Long Illness; Senator Tele- phoned Concerning Condition Yesterday

WITH death closing in on him hourly, William M. Miller, one of the leaders among the colored people of Madison, wanted to do one thing before he passed on.

He wanted to do something for his old friend, Senator La Follette.

And so on election day, too weak to go to the polls, he insisted on being carried from his bed to the polls in order that he might vote for the La Follette delegates.

Mr. Miller has been laid low several months ago with pernicious anemia. For months he has been wasting away. During these months, however, he followed the political situation keenly and was solicitous about the man for whom he had been a messenger in the governor's office for many years. Mr. Miller was appointed as messenger to the governor by Gov. La Follette 19 years ago.

Senator La Follette was told yesterday that Mr. Miller was at the point of death. Yesterday the senator telephoned to

Mrs. Miller and advised her that he would try to come out and see his old messenger.

Mr. Miller was well known to Madison people. He was a quiet, unassuming man and enjoyed the confidence of those who knew him.

Blood transfusion was attempted but it failed to save Mr. Miller's life.

William M. Miller was born Feb. 18, 1872, in Richmond, Ky. He was graduated from Berea college. He came to Wisconsin and has been employed in the state capitol for 19 years. He is a Mason, and trustee and steward of the A. M. E. church since it was founded.

He died at the general hospital of pernicious anemia on Friday night at 1 o'clock. He will be buried Tuesday. Services will be held from the A. M. E. church by the Masons at 2 o'clock. He leaves a wife and six children, Lucile, Geraldine, William, Mae, Du Bois, and Caroline, and a mother and mother-in-law, and many other relatives.



Fire & Ice 2026

By Jacob Handel, Area Rep

My fingers have grown from freezing to numb as I carry another block of ice to my front stoop. Hurriedly, I cram stiff hands into my pockets, even as I must remove them to re-open the front door. Luckily the warm water from the kitchen faucet is eager to greet me and spread warmth back to my fingers – even as I prepare to loosen another icy brick from its mold. In this case, an old plastic take-out container. I grin, in spite of the cold, in spite of myself. Because traditions are grounding, and this is tradition. Or so I’m told.

As a new resident of Tenney-Lapham (and indeed Madison... well, and Wisconsin for that mat-

ter), I have been relieved and reassured by the invitations for community I’ve encountered already. I’m used to living in far smaller, more isolated towns. So I was excited to receive an email, on the TLNA neighborhood listserv, from Jeanette Deloya, with yet another invitation. A call to action for a neighborhood event she referred to as “Fire & Ice”.

As legend has it (or as Jeannette’s email details), this event has been going on 5 years now, since February 2021 when a polar vortex opened as the first year of the pandemic closed. Neighbors rallied to create hundreds of luminaries out of candles and ice, gathering in Tenney



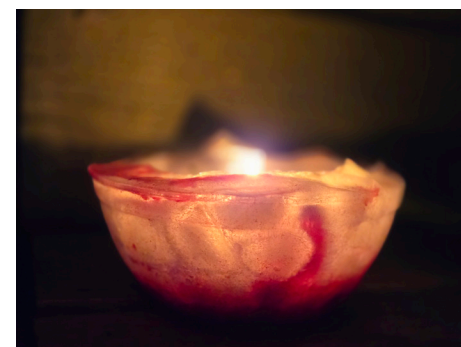
Park and creating quite the spectacle for Valentine’s Day weekend. It sounded amazing. I would have been living in central Iowa at the time, finishing a degree, and none the wiser to neighborhood history being made. I, however, have an excellent imagination. And I relished the idea of contributing to images of grandeur in my head. This year’s Fire & Ice was different. Folks from across TLNA were invited to pick up candles from Jeannette’s front porch and to make ice luminaries to set outside their own homes, for neighbors to enjoy in passing, to shed a little light in the dark.

I swear the wind picked up right as I struck the plastic lighter, attempting to start Jeanette’s candles. I realized my own luminaries were quite squat, not tall enough to offer any real protection to the delicate flame. The price of using a recycled pho bowl to shape them. Furthermore, the dried flower petals I froze in the water were difficult to really make out. The food coloring, all at the bottom. And yet, miraculously, the candles stayed lit despite getting buffeted by the breeze, headless to my luminaries being small and janky. And thus, victory!

In light of a world that continues to reveal its devastations, I contin-



ue to choose the action of carving out the space for both/and. If I can feel alone in a crowded room, I can find community in isolating times. When tears from readily I can also be quick to give a smile. I refuse to ignore the weight of it all. And I can seek to balance it. Fire and ice.



Tiara's Hat Parade

By Kathy Borkowski

Do you have a young one in your life who enjoys showing their sense of style? Do they love strutting around in a great hat? Then don't miss this newest play, for ages 5 and up, coming in March to Chil-

ing for hats. With Momma's dream in danger of fading, Tiara gets to work on a big idea to bring everyone together. Kelly Starling Lyons was inspired to write the original story because she wanted to honor the ways children make a difference and celebrate Black women milliners and the hat-wearing tradition! She saw hats as ways to show style, identity and culture. Kelly has since met milliners, men and women who make these amazing hats, and found their work to be inspiring and a way of bringing joy to those who wear them.

The story is adapted for the stage by Paige Hernandez who has created a one-woman show performed by Lydia Danielle of Charlotte, North Carolina. This is the second time that playwright Paige Hernandez has partnered with CTM. In 2024, Paige created the popular play, *Life Doesn't Frighten Me: I am Fearless Royalty*, based on a poem by Maya Angelou.

Tiara's Hat Parade is a story about being confident and wearing your clothes with a bit of style and swag. Lydia Danielle performs this one-woman show—portraying 9 different characters. In bringing this story to life, it is important to Lydia



Kelly Starling Lyons, Author

dren's Theater of Madison at MY-Arts. *Tiara's Hat Parade* is based on the picture book by Kelly Starling Lyons and celebrates kindness and creativity—and the magic of having confidence in your own style!

Tiara loves modeling the one-of-a-kind hats made by her mom. Her mom is a milliner who makes hats for the women in her community, until slowly, the women stop com-



Paige Hernandez, Playwright

that these characters come across as real people. She hopes that audiences remember will connect with the message of kindness in the play. Lydia's grandmother saw the play and remembered the line "everything will be fine, just remember to be kind" and now says it to Lydia



Lydia Danielle, Actor

every time she sees her.

The production of *Tiara's Hat Parade* is a rolling world premiere and is a new collaborative work with several children's theater companies including Children's Theater of Charlotte and the Rose Theater in Omaha.

Tiara's Hat Parade will be presented at the Starlight Theater at MYArts at 1055 E. Mifflin Street, March 7-22, 2026. For more information go to ctmtheater.org.

NEW! Power Your Household with Community Solar MGE's Shared Solar – Strix program is open for enrollment.

The wait is over! MGE's latest community solar program, Shared Solar – Strix, is open for enrollment. Shared Solar is an optional program for MGE electric customers who wish to power their home or small business with local, affordable solar energy.

What's community solar from MGE?

MGE's community solar program offers eligible electric customers the opportunity to purchase shares of locally generated solar energy. Participants share the output of the local solar installation.

How can I participate?

Participants pay a one-time, up-front fee to reserve a portion of the electricity produced at MGE's Strix Solar array in Fitchburg. Then, they pay a monthly per-kilowatt-hour (kWh) charge for their chosen subscription amount (for up to 50% of their annual electricity consumption). The monthly per-kWh charge will remain fixed with participants for the life of the agreement (even if they move within MGE's electric service territory).

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- Option 1: Higher one-time fee, lower monthly charge
- Option 2: Lower one-time fee, higher monthly charge

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Targeting net-zero carbon electricity

MGE is targeting net-zero carbon electricity by 2050. Growing our use of carbon-free energy generation, like solar energy, is a key strategy in achieving this goal—and our customers can help. MGE offers optional programs like Shared Solar – Strix that make it easy and affordable to power your home or business with up to 100% green energy hassle-free. Visit mge.com to learn more.

TLNA Neighborhood Grants

Did you know TLNA offers grants to local organizations to help support neighborhood projects and events that foster positive neighbor interaction? Requests for funding can be between \$50 and \$500. Recent grants were awarded to Operation Fresh Start, a project to build and install screech owl houses, a fund for the upkeep of the new Mural in Reynolds Park, and to Elliott Gilfillan and his colleagues to help fund their project to bring a floating island of wildlife sustaining vegeta-

tion to the Tenney Park Lagoon.

A few general guidelines: grant-sponsored events should be open to all TLNA residents, TLNA should be allowed to promote and collect memberships at your event, events and projects should comply with the TLNA purpose to improve the neighborhood for the common good, and partisan political campaign events are not eligible for funding. Please see our website for more information - <https://tenney-lapham.org/about-tlna/funding-2/>



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Cultivating Our Future: A Vision for the Dane County's Food System

By Noah Bloedorn

Across Dane County, from farm fields to neighborhood pantries, food is the common thread that binds us. However, our current food system is breaking down, best illustrated by the recent rise in food insecurity in our community, with food insecurity rates approaching 15% (recently as low as 6% in 2021). The need for a coordinated, regional strategy has never been more urgent.

To meet this challenge, REAP Food Group, in partnership with other organizations launched the development of the Dane County Food Action Plan. This initiative is a comprehensive effort to create a sustainable, equitable, and resilient food system that works for every resident, farmer, and food business in the region.

A Multi-Phase Approach

The development of the plan has been a multi-year journey, intentionally designed to be community-led rather than top-down.

Phase 1: Discovery and Foundation The project began with establishing a diverse coalition of stakeholders that represented the many sectors of the food supply chain to create a Food Action Plan. This phase focused on "mapping" the current system—understanding the understanding existing reports and data related to our local food system and identifying gaps in the supply chain.

Phase 2: Deep Community Engagement For the past year, the project team has been in "listening mode." This phase involved a massive outreach effort, including farmer surveys, consumer surveys, community-led engagement sessions and town halls. During this period our team hosted and attended over 63 events across 15 different municipalities in Dane County giving us crucial community input to inform the plan.

What We Are Learning

The engagement phase provided a wealth of insights. While the full analysis is underway, certain themes are emerging:

A Need for Building Local Production - 95% of agricultural land in Dane County does not produce food for human consumption (commodity crops for biofuel, animal feed, and chemical production), we noticed strong demand for increasing the amount of land dedicated to growing food for humans in Dane County.

Corporate Consolidation - Throughout the supply chain ownership of land, infrastructure, and businesses are being consolidated by fewer and fewer companies, leading to lack of community ownership and higher prices for food. This is best illustrated by recent buyouts of major food retailers in our community including Metcalfe's, Festival Foods, and Piggly Wiggly.

Food Insecurity on the Rise - As noted above we are seeing food insecurity rise rapidly as economic pressures like inflation, tightening job markets, and cuts in public benefits and grant dollars make food harder to access both in stores and in our community pantries.

Writing the Plan

We are currently in the Final Phase of the project: Data Analysis and Report Writing. This is where the listening turns into action. The

team is currently synthesizing thousands of community comments and survey responses into a concrete, actionable list of goals and recommendations. This involves prioritizing goals that address the triple bot-



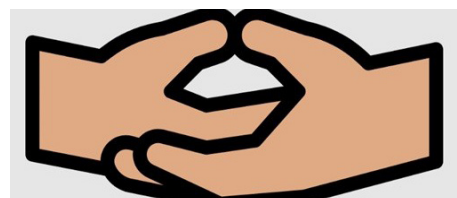
tom line of food systems: feeding hungry neighbors, protecting our environment through sustainable agricultural practices, and supporting the economic viability of local growers.

Looking Ahead to April

The work happening right now in offices and meeting rooms across the county is the final step before the plan's public launch. We are moving toward a comprehensive roadmap that will guide policy and investment for years to come.

The final Dane County Food Action Plan is scheduled for release in April 2026. This document will not just be a report on a shelf; it will be a community-wide call to action with recommendations for city and county officials, area non-profits and institutions and the general public to enact change in our community.

Stay tuned for the final release this spring and subscribe to REAP's newsletter to learn more about building a better food system.



Get to Know Autumn Custis, TLNA Area Rep

Where were you born?

I was born in Salisbury, Maryland.

What was your first job?

My first job post high school was the Marketing and Outreach Coordinator for my college's Student Engagement Team.

Seen any good movies or read any good books lately?

The last really good movie I (re) watched was Barbarian. It's a horror movie with twists you could never guess. A book I'm always recommending is The Only Plane in the Sky: the Oral History of 9/11

by Garrett Graff. It's so powerful. Make sure to listen to it as an audiobook!!!

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

My favorite place I've ever visited I think would be Salem, Massachusetts. I really enjoyed the town being themed over a pretty objectionable past but also being so fun.

Why do you choose to live in Madison?

I chose Madison because it's a very lively young city and with a background in State Politics, I really wanted to live in a Capital. Plus



my partner and I have some friends here. Being born and raised on the East Coast, it was time to give the Midwest a try!

Why did you join TLNA?

I joined TLNA to meet my neighbors and to be a part of my larger community.

Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood Association (TLNA)

Connect with neighbors through the newsletter, email listerv, or in-person at our social events... such as the annual Yard Sale, Bike to Work Week, and our summer series "Popsicles on the Porch"

WHY JOIN?

TLNA provides a voice for residents when working with the city on issues such as transportation, safety, housing, community service, and parks.

TLNA also helps build a sense of community through events, publications, and by supporting our schools, parks, and local businesses.

HOW TO JOIN?

Use the QR Code or visit our website to join!

Membership Levels

Adult = \$10/year
Family = \$20/year
Student/Senior = \$5/year
Business = \$20/year

Become a Member



Join the Listserv



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UPCOMING TLNA Events

We are gearing up for a fun filled 50th anniversary year! Many of our favorite events from years past are back. If you are interested in volunteering with TLNA events, email me (Lauren) at events@tenneylapham.org.

Sun 3/8 - Craft Supply & Seed Swap @ Cargo Coffee, 1-3:30pm

Bring craft supplies and seeds you no longer need & take home something new to you!

Sun 5/3 - Earth Day Repair Cafe hosted by Zero Waste Madison @ Goodman Community Center, 12-4pm

Bring 1-2 items in need of repair and their volunteers will help you fix them! If you would like to volunteer to help repair bikes, lamps, clothing, computers or whatever you're best at, contact zerowastemsn@gmail.com.

Sun 5/17 - Tenney Lap @ Tenney Lagoon, 11am

Bring your watercraft to Tenney Lagoon and paddle with your neighbors in an enthusiastic single lap race! Or come to watch the chaos! Picnic to follow.

Wed 6/3 - Bike to Work Week Breakfast @ the corner of Paterson & Mifflin, 8am

Power up with bagels and coffee during Bike to Work week early June - 50th Anniversary Party @ Reynolds

Park

Food, friends, and field day games - join us for a beautiful afternoon in Reynolds Park!

3rd Thursdays in June, July, August, and Sept - Pop-sicles on the Porch is back!!

Sun 6/21 - Art Walk, 1-5pm

Sign up by emailing Sharon Redinger at sharonredinger@gmail.com, all ages & levels of experience are welcome.

Sat 8/8 - Tenney Yard Sale & Kids Clothing Swap, 8-3pm

Sign up for the Tenney Yard Sale by emailing Anne Katz at TenneyYardSale@gmail.com.

Kids Clothing Swap (during yard sale) - bring clean clothing size newborn to kids 14/16 to 1032 Sherman and pick out new-to-you clothes for the school year ahead.

September - Fall Festival

Join us for food trucks, fall activities, and a bake off!

October - TLNA Repair Café @ Cargo Coffee

If you would like to volunteer to help fix bikes, furniture, computers, clothing, stuffed animals or anything else, email events@tenneylapham.org for more info.



Seeking Neighborhood Artists

We are seeking visual artists, who live in the Tenney/Lapham Neighborhood, to exhibit their art in the Tenney/Lapham Neighborhood Art Walk on Sunday, June 21, 1-5pm, 2026.

Artists (18 years of age and older) exhibit their work in their home, yard, garage or porch. Contact: sharonredinger@gmail.com There is no exhibit fee.



Paintings from watercolor series "Fruitful Art" by Art Walk Organizer Sharon Redinger and her husband Bill.



Sunday Worship

9am Contemporary

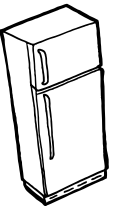
11am Classical

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| 311 N Hancock #223 (A/O) | 692 | \$295,000 |
| 625 E Mifflin #213 (A/O) | 756 | \$307,000 |
| 1140 E Dayton #205 (A/O) | 928 | \$350,000 |
| 112 N Blount | 1680 | \$530,000 |
| 733 E Gorham (A/O) | 1609 | \$569,000 |
| 752 E Gorham | 5374 | \$1,950,000 |

| Sold | Days on Market | | Sale Price |
|--------------------------|----------------|-----------|------------|
| 25 Sherman Ter #6 | 28 | \$200,000 | \$182,000 |
| 25 Sherman Ter #2 (C/O) | 38 | \$190,000 | \$185,000 |
| 311 N Hancock #133 | 75 | \$399,000 | \$382,500 |
| 201 N Blair #206 | 120 | \$399,900 | \$385,000 |
| 209 N Ingersoll (C/O) | 9 | \$435,000 | \$407,000 |
| 1035 E Gorham | 7 | \$429,900 | \$429,900 |
| 903 E Johnson (C/O) | 5 | \$445,000 | \$445,000 |
| 625 E Mifflin #207 (C/O) | 7 | \$495,000 | \$480,000 |
| 906 E Gorham | 59 | \$529,900 | \$495,000 |
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