

SPRING ELECTIONS

Northsiders will choose their city and school board representatives and vote on a referendum on Tuesday, April 4 in the general election

This page: The Iraq War Resolution is explained.
Page 18: Dane County Board of Supervisors In District 18, there are two candidates in the general election. Al Vorhees is the challenger; Dorothy Wheeler is the incumbent.
Page 19: Madison School Board, Seat 1 There are three candidates: Arlene Silveira, Maya Cole, and Michael Kelly. Michael Kelly did not submit answers. The primary is Feb 21; the two winners move onto the general election. The incumbent is not running for re-election.
Page 20: Madison School Board, Seat 2 There are two candidates for the general election. Lucy Mathiak is the challenger; Juan José Lopez is the incumbent.

Iraq War Resolution on ballot; forum planned

Madison residents will have the opportunity to vote on the following resolution on April 4:

“Resolved: The United States should bring all military personnel home from Iraq now.”

The Bring Our Troops Home (BOTH) Coalition will host a public forum on the resolution Tuesday, March 28, 7 p.m. at the Warner Park Community Center.

A major goal for the BOTH Coalition is for the resolution to spark a wider discussion among voters about the war and occupation. Public forums and debates offer wonderful opportunities for such discussions. Several debates are in the planning stages now. The group is convinced that a successful outpouring of “yes” votes April 4 will send a powerful message to Washington that most Madisonians expect a withdrawal of troops as soon as possible, beginning now.

Everybody’s opinion is important. BOTH encourages everyone to come to the forum to share comments and views about the war and resolution.

There are similar referendum and resolution efforts going on in more than 30 Wisconsin cities, towns and municipalities. For information, please call Steve Burns at 250-9240 or E-mail outreach@wnpj.org.

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**District 18
Wednesday, March 29
6:30 pm
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Public forum on Iraq War Referendum

*Tuesday, March 28, 7 p.m.
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COUNTY BOARD CANDIDATE PROFILES

Questions Posed to County Board Candidates

QUESTION 1: What has been your involvement in the Northside community? How will you serve the community, and what experience do you have that demonstrates your ability to do so?

QUESTION 2: Dane County has faced increasing budgetary pressure due to expanding population and service needs, and reduced state aid. Health and Human Services, with about half of the County's \$400 million budget, is particularly strained.

Many Northside residents benefit from service agencies supported by the County. Would you maintain, cut or increase the health and human services budget. Explain, and be specific.

QUESTION 3: Rapid population growth in Dane County will drive residential and commercial development in the areas surrounding the Northside, which will impact traffic, land use, the environment, etc. What course of action will you pursue with regard to this issue if elected/re-elected to the County Board?

QUESTION 4: What are your personal goals for the County if elected/re-elected to the County Board? Be specific.



Dorothy Wheeler

Incumbent for District 18

QUESTION 1: Before my election to the county board, I served on the Northside Planning Council. I represented the Council on the Board of the Friends of Troy Gardens, I was formerly a member of the Board of the Northeast Senior Coalition and I wrote articles for the Northside News. I also became a charter member of the Lake View Hill Neighborhood Association when it was revived by Rita Cairns. As the county board supervisor for the 18th District, I sponsored the resolutions that made Lake View Hill and Woods parkland under the jurisdiction of the Parks Commission. I now serve on the board of the newly rejuvenated Friends of Lake View Hill Park.

QUESTION 2: As the arm of state government, the county is mandated by the state to serve citizens who need long term care: developmentally disabled, physically disabled, frail elderly and the mentally ill. The county must also provide child protective services to help families who are abusing or neglecting their children. The county contracts with the state to oversee the W-2 program as well. Monies from the state and federal government are becoming less reliable. Since 1997 Community Aides have steadily decreased so that the county has had to increase its share of the cost of these services. We are also committed to funding preventative services such as Joining Forces for Families and Youth Resource Centers. We supervisors on

the Health and Human Needs Committee struggle along with the Human Services Department staff to keep these services effective and efficient. So far we have been able to do so despite the governor's imposed property tax freeze.

QUESTION 3: Increased traffic on our major arteries: Northport Drive, North Sherman Avenue and County Highway CV is a given. Development in the town of Westport and the town of Burke will continue in the future. Cherokee Park developers are proposing a ten year expansion which will put more pressure on these main streets. The short term solution would be to encourage carpooling by offering incentives like they do in larger cities. In the long term I am convinced we must plan for public transportation to cut down on pollution as well as to enhance the safety of our streets. Many people think that extended bus routes would be the most practical solution but I favor light rail.

QUESTION 4: As a member of the Comprehensive Planning Steering Committee, I want to help write a fantastic county land use plan to guide development in the future. As a senior, I am vested in my role on the Area Agency on Aging Board which is planning for the near retirement of baby boomers. As a member of the Women's Issues Committee, I want to help Dane County Employees secure reliable and affordable child care. I would also like to sponsor county oversight for child care centers to improve early childhood education. I want to continue to promote a clean environment and protect open spaces by sponsoring and voting for resolutions that foster these goals.



Al Vorhees

Challenger for District 18

QUESTION 1: I am a Northsider by choice. I have lived in Dane County for 25 years after coming here from Indiana. When Cheryl, and I were married, we lived and raised our son, Matt, around the Oscar Mayer area for a short time and the Northside for the last 13 years. Cheryl and I both work and are property taxpayers. We agreed that if we were to have a child, we would be there for our child. I serve as usher and elder at Holy Cross Lutheran Church. Through most of my employment life in Dane County, I have worked with the less fortunate residents as a City Building Inspector. I believe my life experience both professional, and personal, has given me insight needed to represent all residents of the district.

QUESTION 2: Dane County's budget exceeds \$400,000,000. The needs are many and budgets are tight. Health and Human needs budget is 54 % of the total. Services provided through this agency need to be reviewed for effectiveness and efficiencies. My professional position holds people accountable for their investments. Because of this, I believe by reviewing the original programs intended purpose versus today's needs, one may find by combining some programs which overlap will provide cost savings and increase program efficiency. During the review process, an additional investigation into possible duplication of services is needed. I feel strongly that an in-depth review is

long overdue and savings could be found out of the over \$200,000,000 Health and Human services budget.

QUESTION 3: Transportation in Dane County is increasing because we are an employment hub. A study of daily commuter trips made to Dane from surrounding counties between 1990 and 2000 more than doubled to 29,000. This in addition to the ever-increasing transportation needs of Dane County residents. As commerce and employment increase we as a county need to provide transportation infrastructure that complement development and future growth. County governments role should be providing and maintaining transportation corridors. As a board supervisor, I will work to protect transportation corridors to service existing and future activity centers throughout Dane County. I support the North Mendota Parkway.

QUESTION 4: Through the recent years, local political races have become to partisan. When deciding to seek office, it became very apparent that although the nomination papers said non-partisan, local races are not. I would like to work on bringing back the idea that local races are and should remain non-partisan, representing all district and county residents. A voter recently asked me about my political affiliation. This statement astounded me. I quietly explained that this race is not about national political party affiliation. Her comment was "well, right, but you know". I believe that statements like this help fuel the fire of controversy that is being played out every day. We are all involved in bettering the quality of life for Dane County.

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SCHOOL BOARD CANDIDATE PROFILES

Questions Posed to School Board Candidates

QUESTION 1: What personal qualities and experience (activities, education, occupation, civic, etc.) do you have that you believe qualifies you for this office?

QUESTION 2: Considering the rapid demographic changes and the increasing concentration of poverty that is taking place throughout Dane County, is the district acting effectively to alleviate the student achievement gap? What are your ideas for making sure that every student receives the

resources he/she needs to succeed? Be specific.

QUESTION 3: What role should the school board and the public have in district decision-making and how will you insure that the administration stays accountable to those practices?

QUESTION 4: For several years, the district has had to grapple with annual budget shortfalls - pitting program against school - and has regularly gone to referendum as a stopgap measure. Would you support more referenda in 2006? What are your ideas for a long-term solution to our annual budget crisis and what would you do to implement those ideas?



Maya Cole

Candidate for Seat 1

QUESTION 1: I have a degree in conservation biology from the UW-Madison and recognize the consequences of not managing resources wisely. I was the managing editor of the Journal of Pediatric Ophthalmology and Strabismus and am very comfortable working with a variety of people in different areas of expertise. I have three active boys, all of whom attend Madison public schools and will do so for the next decade.

I understand the challenges the District is facing; I have worked as an activist on state and national issues, especially those affecting kids. I understand the concerns of parents because I am one of them. I understand the concerns of teachers and administrators because I see them and work with them as a regular volunteer in my children's schools.

QUESTION 2: We need to recognize that our schools are at times a snapshot of our society's cold hard facts. The current board has done a fair job on third grade reading scores, but I am more concerned about figures like the dropout rate of African-American students, some of whom are high achievers. This is in many respects a cultural issue. The Board needs to look at the bigger picture.

I question why the Board hasn't been more proactive in using local, low-cost resources and community groups that work specifically on race and class issues and those that advocate for fam-

ilies of color.

QUESTION 3: School Board members are accountable to the public that elects them. The Board is responsible for setting policies with the current facts on hand and in consultation with experts while accounting for all stakeholders in the district. The Board involves the community and takes an active role in advocating for the schools on a local and state level.

All information shared by the Board must be concise and forthright. If I am elected, I will push the Board to set clear policy that encourages feedback from everyone. I would like to see the Board revisit the policy which defines the specific obligations and the framework of the Board. The policy should focus on the success of all kids. I will push for annual evaluations of administrators based on clear and measurable goals.

QUESTION 4: Wisconsin has always valued education highly, and no community values education more than Madison. Last year's referenda failed not because people no longer care about education; they failed because people no longer trust the District's decision making process.

Before we can implement a long-term solution to our fiscal problems, we must regain the public's trust. If I am elected, I will push for a transparent budget, one that any taxpayer can read and understand. Once we know where the money is allocated, then we can have an intelligent, informed discussion about how best to spend.

That response may include one or more referenda, but those referenda must be developed in consultation with the public, not through a secret process that involves only the Board, the administration, and a few elite consultants.



Arlene Silveira

Candidate for Seat 1

QUESTION 1: A parent of an 8th grader, I've been an active participant in Madison public schools for 9 years. I am president of Cherokee's PTO, and past president of Leopold's PFO. Civic involvement includes working with Madison Foundation for Public Schools; steering team member of Madison CARES, the community-based pro-referenda support group; and I currently serve on the MMSD West/Memorial Demographics Task Force. As a businesswoman, I am Director of Marketing for Promega, with experience as a budget planner, facilitator, negotiator and project manager. I have a MS in molecular biology and a BS in biology, chemistry and secondary education.

QUESTION 2: The Board must continue to address the differences in proficiency levels and graduation rates between racial and ethnic groups. In addition to continuing what has been working, including Schools of Hope, small class size and cultural training opportunities for teaching and support staff, we must develop and expand partnerships with community groups and use a variety of venues for parents to come together to help the district find ways to allow all children to succeed. With the high mobility rate of some students, we should look at ways to help stabilize students' school experience by ensuring supportive and consistent enrollment processes across the district. I support the formation of an Equity Task Force to look at resource allocation

across the district. I believe that to continue to be an excellent school system, we must expand our vision beyond just addressing the achievement gap and ensure that we are meeting the needs of all our children and are challenging each student to meet their full potential.

QUESTION 3: The Board should create policy and delegate to the administration the implementation of the policy. The Board should be responsible for, and be held accountable for, ensuring that policy is implemented in a manner consistent with the goals/direction of the Board. Metrics, assessments and reporting should be used to keep the Board abreast of performance. Communication between the Board and the community is a priority as it is the role of the Board to represent the MMSD. The Board needs to reach out to the public to understand their needs and ensure equity in decision-making.

QUESTION 4: I have not made a decision about my support for a referenda for operating revenue. I am in the process of reviewing the budget to gain a better understanding of current expenditures and am talking with people and asking questions to gain a better understanding of what the current dollars support. More importantly, I need to hear public feedback from the entire district on what they value in the Madison schools. I support the \$100 budget process because I believe it is a positive step toward educating the public on the budget. The process will also provide time for the public to communicate their priorities. Long-term, we must work together to change the state system of funding K-12 education. I will work to build grassroots support, here and statewide, that will force change at the state level.

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HOLIDAY

Local couple's love is lyrically lauded

Heartfelt donation rings true

By Sue Morrison
The Northside News

A connection between two people and the love of music lead Jim Ely to honor his wife with contributions to the East High School Auditorium Renovation. His contributions launched the fundraising campaign and has inspired others to give (see story, page 22)

Jim Ely and Judy Standish met while they were students at East High. Both were part of the fall production of Oklahoma in 1969. Jim was on stage crew, and Judy was with the makeup club. They both loved theater and music, and Judy played the violin.

Their friendship blossomed, and they started dating. Jim says, "it was her red hair that caught his eye." Judy gave Jim a big box of lifesavers for a Christmas gift because he was always asking for them in the Allied Art Class they took together.

But teen friendship has ups and downs, and they went their own way after Judy graduated.

Jim always thought of his red-haired friend, and went to see her before he left for a trip to Yugoslavia in 1972. They went out to share a pizza at Luigi's, their favorite place.

On Valentine's Day in 1973, Jim proposed to Judy, and they were married at St. Peter's in October, 1973.

Jim and Judy always considered themselves Northsiders, as their fami-

lies have homes on the Northside. When they moved back to Madison in 1974, they lived in an apartment near PDQ.

They have two daughters. Jim helped with the delivery of his first daughter, Rachael, in August of 1975 at their apartment. In February, 1978, Rebecca was born at a hospital. Each daughter is musical - Rachael played clarinet and Rebecca played flute and is "one terrific singer," says dad. As proud parents, they attended many concerts and music programs at Gompers Middle School and East High. As a family, they also took in numerous stage productions in Madison and around the area. Music was an important part of the family.

Life does have ups and downs, and everyone does the best they can. Judy was diagnosed with ovarian cancer in 1997. They still attended concerts as often as they could. Judy felt privileged to see Rachael get married and start a family (three grandchildren - Alexander, Elysabeth and Katherine) and to see Rebecca graduate from college before passing away from cancer in February 2003.

Alexander now performs at middle school music productions using his grandmother's violin.

Jim has been a custodian at East High since 1993. One of his jobs as custodian is to help set up the auditorium stage for productions. He noticed that the acoustic shells used for



Judy and Jim Ely

Provided by Sue Morrison

band/orchestra productions were unsafe. Knowing that Judy would be concerned for the welfare and safety of the students, he asked how much a new one would cost. There are seven shells used on stage, and Principal Tillman had been able to purchase three new ones.

Jim donated some money towards another two shells, with the school funding the rest.

Then, noticing that the audience had to sit in what he called "bowling chairs," and remembering the chairs from the old auditorium, he donated more money towards the purchase of new chairs.

Recently, Jim made another contribution towards the remaining two shells needed.

"I donated because Judy so much enjoyed the old East High Auditorium when we were students."

His generosity helped insure that future East High families can share in Judy's enjoyment.

March 12 is a great day to be Irish!

By Sue Morrison
The Northside News

It's been said that everyone is Irish at least once a year. This year it will be on Sunday, March 12, 2006 for "IT'S A GREAT DAY TO BE IRISH."

Start the day with running the Third Annual Shamrock Shuffle (5K race). Race begins at Monona Terrace at 10:30 am.

Or listen to traditional Celtic music and song, at 10:30 am mass at St. Patrick's Church, 404 E. Main Street, Madison. Bring personal care items and nonperishable food to donate.

At 12:00 noon in the State Capitol Flag rotunda, raise the Irish Flag, enjoy bagpipes, dance, and song.

The Ninth Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade, around the Capitol Square, starts at 1:30 pm. I may even be dressed as a leprechaun.

Volunteers are welcomed at all events, check out www.stpatsmadison.org for volunteer form.

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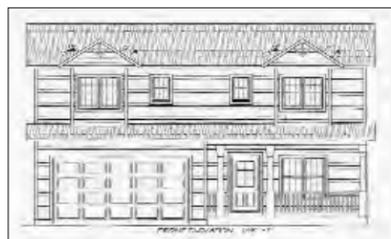
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EAST HIGH SCHOOL

The show must go on

In need of repair, theater remains the busiest corner at East High



Photo by Devon Abshere

By Carla Shedivy

Theater Checklist ✍

- install safe wiring
- replace asbestos curtains
- purchase comfortable seating
- update faltering sound system
- restore to original beauty and size

It may be a daunting To-Do List for improving the Margaret Williams Theater at East High School, but you wouldn't know it if you dropped in anytime, day or night. That the outdated theater is in need of attention does not sidetrack the students who call it home.

On any given day, you may find the band performing. Let's see, is that the Concert Band, the Symphonic Band, Jazz Band or the Sinfonietta? Or you may hear voices from the choir. It could be the Chorale, the Pop Music Ensemble, Women's Choir, Concert Choir or Show Choir. And that is just what's happening before lunch.

In the afternoon, you may be treated to a rehearsal for the East High Concert Orchestra or one of the two Symphony Orchestras. On any given evening, you'll find the drama club rehearsing their upcoming play or Spoken Word reciting their work for a scheduled performance. That doesn't even touch the uses of the theater by other classes, clubs, parent groups, outside groups and middle schools.

Assistant Principal David Krause



Photo by Devon Abshere

Soloist Antonio Branch with fellow Concert Choir members performs "Shadowland."

added, "Margaret Williams Theater is a place of celebration. Each year nearly \$250,000 in scholarships is given to graduating seniors. National Honor Society, Beta Club and Service E award Ceremonies are also held there. And the end-of-year concerts that honor seniors don't leave a dry eye in the house."

How can all this happen under one, somewhat tattered roof? It's all coordinated by Dr. Eckel, who conducts the East High Bands and keeps the schedule book. One look at the schedule — set a year in advance — will give you a brain-ache. But the students can't get enough and nothing will hold back their creative passions.

"There is magic in theater," says Ms. Affolter who has been drama director for the past 9 years at East. "Actors transport the audience to another world, even if their seats are hard as rocks." She would know. Last year The Laramie Project performed to sold-out crowds, and Charlie and the Chocolate Factory packed matinees with elementary students.

The music concerts are equally popular with standing room only for many of the performances. With over 600 kids participating in East performance music programs — the numbers have swelled under the current, very popular, teaching staff — there is often a rotation of seating so parents can see their kids perform. Choir Director Ms. Beilke-Skoug said, "The kids are beautiful, their performances excellent; it is a shame we are turning people away."

That is how the renovation dream was hatched to restore the theater to its former size and glory. "We realized there were so many things that have to be done," explained Tricia Potter, a parent involved in the fundraising effort. "Wiring does not meet safety codes; the acoustics and sound system interfere with great performances; and

the bowling alley seats have been a long-time complaint. Restoring the theater to meet audience demand only makes sense and it will restore architectural beauty that is part of East High's history."

Principal Harris explained that this is part of a larger school district initiative to upgrade the facilities of East High School, which was built in 1922. He also described the project as returning the Margaret Williams Theater to its former place as the premier performance space on the Eastside. Orchestra Director Ms. Dhoore Becker added, "We have world-class performers visit our school and work with students. The students and I are proud of the work they do with these guest artists, but the theater has been an embarrassment. This renovation is long overdue." An expanded theater will also allow more students to attend these special performances during the school day.

Sometimes it is the most unexpected people who get the ball rolling. Last year, EHS custodian Jim Ely approached Ms. Dhoore Becker and offered a \$5000 donation to the theater in memory of his late wife, Judy, whom he met when attending East High. Mr. Ely — a huge fan of East's music programs — has been attending music concerts at East all his life and his children, like their parents, participated in the programs when they were students here.

When East grad and West Wing actor Bradley Whitford read about the donation, he sent a check matching Mr. Ely's contribution. The Class of 2005 made a \$1000 donation at graduation, and this fall Mr. Ely made another donation to the school theater, pushing the project forward before a fundraising campaign ever began.

When asked about the renovation project, Dr. Eckel said, "The faculty at East really wants to see this project happen. We know how hard our students work to produce quality performances; they deserve a quality place to perform." It appears the Eastside and its generous alumni agree and are ready to take on this project.

Don't miss out on the entertainment. Come out and see the shows this winter and spring. The performances will amaze you.

**Margaret Williams Theater
East High School
Winter/Spring
Schedule 2006**

Jan 26	1:45	Spoken Word
Feb 20	7:30	East Sinfonietta
Mar 7	8:00	Concert /Symphonic Bands
Mar 28	7:30	Orchestra Concert
Apr 6	7:00	Show Choir Cabaret
Apr 07	7:00	Show Choir Cabaret
Apr 27	7:30	Eastside Players Drama
Apr 28	2:00 & 7:30	Eastside Players Drama
Apr 29	7:30	Eastside Players Drama
May 12	6:30 & 8:00	Choral Pops
May 15	7:30	East Sinfonietta
May 22	7:30	Concert / Symphonic Bands
May 24	7:30	Orchestra Concert
June 01	6:30	Theater Arts Performance

All times listed are p.m.

Visit the EHS Web site —
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Evan Bradbury performs a spoken word piece as club member Derrick Clark looks on.

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Fan Support

The basketball game matching Middleton and East High Schools in December has been the source of a great deal of discussion. As a Principal and fan of East High School, I left the game that evening tremendously proud of our school. Our students, fans, parents, coaches and athletes represented all that is good about East High School. When students and parents informed us the following day of the unfortunate cheers from a select group of Middleton fans, we followed up with their administration. It is important to note that we at East are well aware that the unfortunate remarks don't represent Middleton High School or the community, and we very much have appreciated the efforts that Middleton High School has made address the issue.

It is a story that caught the interest of many, for many different reasons. As Principal, it caused me to reflect on a couple of important things. First, what it means to be associated with Oscar Mayer. I regret that I did not point out to reporters that we take great pride in being associated with a business that has provided employment for innumerable families of East High students. It speaks to work ethic, humili-

ty of purpose and pride. I have a great deal to learn about our history at East High, but I know that Oscar Mayer is an important part of our history, present and future and thank them for it.

Second, the incident and ensuing reports were cause for reflection on what we want our fans to do as they support our students. Administrators often spend a great deal of time trying to insure that students don't "boo," degrade officials or other teams and represent our school with pride. We need to spend more time on what we want our fans to do. In and out of the classroom we want our students to know that they don't take on challenges alone. We want them to know that there are many who stand with them in support. That support comes in the form of encouraging words. It comes in the form of showing up and shaking their hand after both wins and losses. That support looks like "East Side" yells: loud fight songs and spell outs.

I have been most fortunate to have many people support me in the endeavors of my life. Their support was always about letting me know they believed in me. It was never about put-downs, excuses or grudges. This is what we want from East High fans. Yell for our kids and encourage our teachers. Please let each of them know you are with them, win or lose, and are grateful they are taking the risk. It is an honor and privilege to be a part of not just a high school but a whole community that believes in and supports the endeavors of youth.

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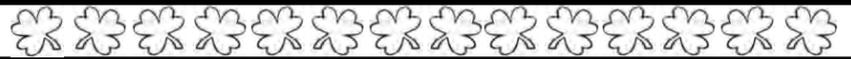
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Know Your Purgolder: Tammy Krez

Name: Tammy Krez (formerly Warren)

Occupation: Realtor (residential)

Personal Profile: I am married to Ted Krez who is from Windsor and we have an 11 week old little girl named Charlotte.

When did you graduate? 1994

What extra curricular activities did you participate in at East? Tennis and Gymnastics, ENJOY (East Neighbors Join Old and Young), PEP (Peers Educating Peers), SADD (Students Against Drunk Driving), BETA Society and several others.

What is your best memory of your East days? Going to the Smokey Mountains and hiking for a week with some of the other science students. I also enjoyed 7th period study hall up in the RMC. That was a time that we could chat with a lot of friends before the end of the day.

Did any past generations of your family attend East? My father and grandfather both graduated from East. My grandfather actually was just

awarded his diploma a few weeks ago. He left high school early to go to war so he had never officially graduated. The school board at their last meeting awarded him his diploma after all these years. One of my aunts went to East and my Grandpa had seven other siblings who all went to East, along with some of their kids. Quite a few Warrens have come through those doors.

What was your most embarrassing moment at East? For the Homecoming Pep Aud, when they crown the Homecoming King, my friend Michelle Boysen and I were the gag couple and we dressed up as Tarzan and Jane. To get ready, we went over to Demetral field and literally rolled around in the mud and then we went in front of the entire school that way.

How did East prepare you for life? It introduced me to a lot of opportunities to get involved. I also enjoyed going to school with such a wide variety of people from so many different walks of life.

What have you been doing since

graduating from East? I went to Gustavus Adolphus College and graduated with a degree in Biology. After college I did quite a bit of traveling, and when I returned, I came back and got my Real Estate License and have been selling houses ever since. I work with my Mom and husband at Lakewood Realty and have served on boards of various realtor associations. I still play a lot of tennis and enjoy competing whenever I can.

Knowing what you know now, what advice do you have for East students? Get involved in as much as you can. It will help you get into a better school and it will help prepare you for life in general when you hit the "real world".

Favorite class? Mr. DuVair's Biology Class or Mr. Johnson's Anatomy Class. They both got me interested in subjects that became my major.

Favorite teacher? Mr. Murphy. He was my Physics teacher and he led my Smokey's hiking group.

What would you do differently? I'd get involved in the music program. I'd love to be able to play an instrument and I am sure my husband would love it if I could sing better.



Tammy graduated from East High School in 1994. She is currently a realtor with a local realty company. She and her husband just welcomed home their daughter Charlotte.

Is there anyone you'd like to cross paths with again and why? Catherine Gbedy. She was one of my close friends all four years at East, but we lost touch shortly after. She was one of those people who everyone liked and you just knew was going to do something great.

As a realtor, what do you tell potential buyers from out of town about the East High School area? As a Realtor I am not legally allowed to talk about schools except from my personal experience so I tell people that I loved going to East and that I felt I received a wonderful education there. I also like to tell people what a great area the East and Northeast side of Madison are. This side of town has so much character, I can't personally imagine living anywhere else. That is why I moved back to Madison and bought my home on the Northside.

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