

NORTHSIDE NEWS

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Troubled apartments sold New owners pledge to turn them around

The Northside News

On Sept. 26 the Nimrod Group of Glenview, Ill. purchased the Woodlands and Woodland Park

apartment complexes, capping a year of community focus on the troubled apartments, where police calls topped 800 last year and maintenance issues plagued residents.

The Nimrod Group will “move quickly” to improve both apartment complexes, pledging to deal with years of deferred maintenance, noise complaints and trash, according to Joe Nimrod who will manage the properties. “We’ll do it the same way as we do it everywhere else,” he said, referring to the many apartments his company manages.

“We will bring to the Woodlands and Woodland Park the kind of management, maintenance and resident screening that this community has long desired,” said Tim Nimrod, president of the Nimrod Group. “Our investment in these properties is long-term, and we promise to work with city authorities to address safety concerns. Most importantly, we will enforce regulations, particularly with regard to nonresident guests.”

“That’s where the problem is,” said Denise James, vice president of the



Woodlands/ Woodland Park Neighborhood Association. Referring to the nonresident guests, she explained, “If you’re visiting, what are you doing hanging out? Why aren’t you in an apartment visiting someone?”

James was cautiously hopefully, saying “Time will tell. Are [the new owners] going to stand up to their word?” James was working on holding a tenant meeting soon with the new landlords.

The Nimrod Group will offer a free apartment to the Madison Police Department, which North District Police Captain Richard Bach hopes to utilize once the North District gets its own Community Policing Team in February. Meanwhile, Neighborhood Officer Kelly Donohue and patrol officers will be working with the new owners as much as possible.

The new owners are “enthusiastic about turning those complexes around,” said Bach, who hopes that one result will be the Woodland Park Apartments becoming a “good neighbor” to residents on the adjacent Hanover Street.

A management office will be opened at Woodland Park because there have been more problems there, said Joe Nimrod.

“While it will take some time to see

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Photo by Jim Powell

Big turnout for safer neighborhoods Police meeting draws 200

By Mary Schumacher

The Northside News

Over 200 Northsiders met with city leaders on Aug. 20 to convey their concerns about public safety in their community. With standing room only at the Warner Park Community Recreation Center, person after person approached a podium to tell the panel about traffic, noise, gangs, drug dealing and break-ins.

“You talk, we listen,” said Michael Schumacher, District 18 alder and organizer of the meeting. The audience took that instruction to heart for almost two hours, as speakers used their three-minute allotments to describe crime incidents they wit-

nessed as well as their hopes for their community.

While the meeting’s tone was mostly courteous and supportive of the police, applause broke out several times when speakers asked city leaders to make more police on the Northside a priority.

“Let’s do something about our streets, Mayor Cieslewicz,” said Dawn Zimmerman after describing a theft from her truck. “We need visible police.”

Dale Matthews was one of several residents to note that small incidents need attention before they spiral out of control.

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Sun., Nov. 18 at Lakeview Lutheran
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Campaign on Madison schools expands District-wide Forum with School Board set

By Julie Spears

The Northside News

A grassroots campaign focusing on Madison’s schools fully unfolded over the summer. Organized by volunteer leaders of the Northside Planning Council and East Attendance Area PTO Coalition, the campaign has been on a quest to find common ground between community members on the future of Madison schools.

House Meetings

Members of the two organizations held over 20 house meetings with more than 100 people in August and September. Looking for broad-based district-wide concerns, house meeting participants listened to each other’s stories around the one thing they could change about the way the school district operates. Facilitators then helped each group reach a consensus around the top one or two themes from their house meeting.

“We should do house meetings periodically because they build a sense of community with people from varied

backgrounds that leads to a shared vision for providing educational opportunities for our children,” said Justin Sargent, a Northside parent who held a house meeting last month. “I also think that it’s vital that parents, and anyone with a stake in education, take proactive steps like these instead of waiting for the next crisis.”

Four themes emerged consistently in the house meetings: state level school funding reform, improving the budget process and communication with the community, keeping the schools open and implementing an equity policy. NPC and the PTO Coalition have taken formal positions in support of the latter two.

Community Roundtable

In an effort to reach out across the city, campaign leaders brought the top four issues to a Community Roundtable held at the downtown Madison Senior Center on Sept. 27. Setup as a community work session, the Roundtable format broke people

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PROFILE

Lisa Wiese

Age: 41

Born: Hastings, Nebraska

Neighborhood: Lindbergh



Occupation: Community organizer

Community: Co-Chair of NPC, representative of the Dane County TimeBank. Northside Farmers Market (specifically the Quest program which allows the use of electronic food stamps). Dane County Food Council, forming an alliance of farmers markets to strengthen each market

Why what you do for the Northside is important:

My parents taught me that what I am willing to tolerate for others is what I deserve for myself. The residents most effected by our schools and businesses often do not have the time or resources to take a stand.

Hobbies Playing lumberjack up north, back country camping, canoeing

Greatest Northside pleasure: Hanging out at the Northside Farmers Market and cross country skiing throughout Cherokee Marsh

If you could change one thing on the Northside: Institute a living wage standard

If you could change one thing about the world: Institute a living wage standard. This would alleviate significant social, health and educational problems.

~ Compiled by J.D. Stier

NPC Meeting Highlights September 26

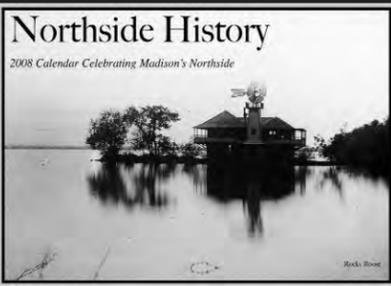
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*Illnesses were rampant and quite a number of Council members missed the meeting.*

**Ellen Barnard, David Carpenter, Willy Holden, Pat Morgan, Chris Odt** agreed to work on turnout for our Oct. 21 District-wide Forum with Madison School Board members (see cover story for more info). *Contact Julie Spears or Jim Powell at 661-0060 to learn more*

During a discussion of safety and the police, Council members had varying view on perceptions of crimes in their own neighborhood--ranging from crimes being underreported to fears becoming overblown. The Council will consider creating an ad hoc committee to specifically address safety issue its October meeting.

The North Star Awards are set for Fri., Dec. 7. A committee is working on logistics, nominations and the program.

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The Council meets the fourth Wednesday of the month, 6:30 pm at Warner Park Center. The next meeting is October 24, and is open to the public. Info: 661-0060



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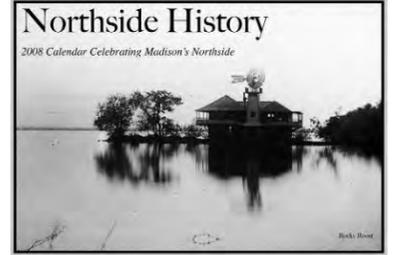
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Residents are invited to submit their Northside history photos for future calendars, so start digging through your albums!

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How does this person/group show leadership for the Northside?

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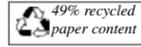
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For more information contact Lisa Wiese at 242-8572 or Lisa Bullard-Cawthorne at 243-0322.



Correction Notices from Aug/Sept

On page 11, Johnny Ellis and Abraham Rose wrote *The Legacy Campaign*. Ellis is the coordinator and facilitator for Voice Beyond Bars. On page 20, the *Northside News* made an editing error in Carlettra Sanford's introduction letter. The *Northside News* regrets the error and wishes to note Stanford did not make the error.



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COMMUNITY NEWS

Interfaith Thanksgiving set for Nov. 18

Second annual sharing of traditions again on Northside

By Dana Slowiak

The Northside News

The Second Annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Celebration is Sun., Nov. 18 at Lakeview Lutheran Church. The event begins at 3 pm, followed by food, fellowship and personal yet informal conversation.

"Our goal is to bring people of different religious traditions together for sharing and learning about each other," said Jerry Moser, the secretary/treasurer of Greater Madison Interreligious Association (GMIA).

The guest speaker is Dr. Charles L. Cohen, Professor of History/Religious Studies, UW Madison, and Director of the Lubar Institute for the Study of the Abrahamic Religions. Cohen plans to reflect back to the Thanksgiving of 1621 and examine what giving thanks might mean in a cross-cultural society.

The event aims to share spiritual traditions from many faiths, including Baha'i, Buddhism, Christianity, Eckankar, Hinduism, Jewish, Muslim, Native American, Quaker, Sikh, Sufi, Unitarian Universalist and Wiccan.

Currently scheduled are Tibetan dancers, a Muslim call to prayer, a dance for universal peace and a Wiccan dance and drum piece. More traditions are sure to be shared.

Interfaith Thanksgiving is organized by GMIA. Its mission is to "foster the goal of different religious faiths living together harmoniously" through education, understanding, respect and support.

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"Interfaith Thanksgiving is not a worship [service]," said Pastor Dean Kirst, Lakeview Lutheran Church. "People share how they express their spirituality and share their faith traditions. The event allows people to share while promoting understanding beyond spiritual boundaries."

"We hope people can learn and grow," Kirst continued. "We don't live in isolation - and we won't. This is an opportunity to express who we are. If we really want to own that, here's an opportunity to share."

The event is free and open to the public. The building is accessible is completely accessible. Plenty of parking is available.

Please bring a finger-food dish, if you can. GMIA will also collect food and cash donations for the Dane County Food Pantry at Lakeview.

Info: Pastor Kirst at 244-6181 or www.madison.com/communities/GMIA/index.php/

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COMMUNITY

Create safer walking & biking for Northside

The Northside News

While funding for a Northside bike path has stalled at the state level, a project to improve walking and biking on the Northside is in full swing. The Northside Walking Audit is initiated by Public Health of Madison and Dane County in partnership with Safe Communities and the Northside Planning Council.

The Northside Walking Audit has three goals. The first is to identify good existing walking and biking routes. The second goal is to identify and correct significant barriers to walking and biking, and the third (and ultimate) goal is to encourage residents to walk and bike.

"It's a very straightforward process," said Lisa Wiese, Northside Planning Council Co-Chair. "Right now we're collecting input from residents about where the problem spots are, as well as where the good existing walking and biking routes are. Then we will prioritize the problems that are identified. Finally we sit down with all the appropriate city and county agencies and our elected officials to come up with solutions and a timeline of what will happen when."

If all goes well, said Wiese, by next spring there will be a public walk to highlight the changes that have been made and point out those changes that still need to happen.

The Northside Walking Audit team will also be working with neighborhood youth through projects with Black Hawk and Sherman Middle Schools and Maple Bluff Boy Scouts, as well as our four neighborhood centers, Kennedy Heights, Vera Court, Packers and Northport.

"Kids see things differently than adults when they are walking through the neighborhood," said Lisa Bullard-Cawthorne, Health Educator for Public Health for Madison and Dane County. "So it's important to find out what kids feel are barriers to walking and biking, as well as adults."

If you know of barriers to walking and biking that you would like to see addressed, if or you know of good existing walking and biking routes, fill out a Northside Walking Audit form, available at the Lakeview Branch Library or the Northside Farmers Market, or download the form at webpages.charter.net/atp/walkingaudit. Return the completed forms by Oct. 19 to the librarian's desk at the Lakeview Branch Library.

The problems reported by residents and next steps to fixing those problems will be presented at a public forum on Mon., Nov. 5, 6:30 pm at the Lakeview Branch Library.

For more information contact Lisa Wiese at 242-8572 or Lisa Bullard-Cawthorne at 243-0322.

Nano cafés:

Citizens and scientists talk

By Lynette Jandl

The Northside News

Nano? What's that? Because of Madison's "Nano Cafés," more and more people are learning about nanotechnology. A stack of 100,000 nanometers is equal to the thickness of this piece of paper.

A group of Northside and other Madison area residents, working with Northside resident Dr. Maria Powell of the UW—Madison Nanoscale Science and Engineering Center (NSEC), have organized a number of "Nano Cafés" over the past two years. Nano Cafés are casual talks on societal, environmental and ethical issues raised by nanotechnologies, where citizens' questions are addressed by NSEC scientists and other experts. They are held at various locations around the city and are unique in the way they gather citizens and scientists to converse with and bounce ideas off each other.

Northside residents Lynette Jandl and Bob Janeck are leaders of the citizens' group, called Citizens' Coalition on Nanotechnology (CCoN). The group has engaged federal regulatory agencies and others about the need for ensuring safety in the development of nanotechnology. Consumer advocates, toxic waste and environmental experts and others are interested in their unique approach to the issues. During a nanotechnology safety workshop



Nano Café ON THE ENVIRONMENT

Join guest scientists Robert Hamers and Joel Pedersen of the Univ. of Wisconsin-Madison Nanoscale Science and Engineering Center, moderator Dr. Maria Powell and the Citizens Coalition on Nanotechnology in exploring the environmental applications and concerns of nanotechnology.

Tues., Oct. 23, 6:30 pm

*Warner Park Community
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held this year at the University, Dr. Andrew Maynard, chief scientist at the Woodrow Wilson Center's Project on Emerging Nanotechnologies, spent an evening with the citizens' group to discuss their ideas.

Many important questions have been raised in meetings between citizens and scientists. What good would it do to produce goods with nanoparticles

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Dane County TimeBank celebrates birthday

By Terrie Anderson

The Northside News

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Download a brochure showing the 38 workshops, pre-conference institutes, keynote speeches, and plenary panels at www.danecountytimebank.org. Check out the conference website to find out more and to register online at www.tbusaconference.org. Share this information with your employer, your friends and family.

Have you, your organization or company benefited from the Northside TimeBank? We're looking for exhibitors, sponsors and just plain members for the Nov. 3 Conference Share Fair. It's two hours on Saturday

afternoon for browsing exhibits, mingling and sharing our stories. You can lead a small-group activity, display something you learned to make, create a poster about your experiences, promote your program and even sell your wares. Contact Terrie Anderson at 241-9080 for more information.

Come celebrate the Second Anniversary of the Dane County TimeBank on Fri., Nov. 2, 6-8:30 pm at First Congregational Church, 1609 University Ave. It's a potluck community supper for our birthday party and our welcome to conference attendees. Please bring a bigger-than-usual dish to pass and label it. There will be an Open-Mic Variety Show. Please join us for this special event! Everyone is welcome. RSVP by calling 663-0400 or emailing info@danecountytimebank.org by Oct. 22.



Photo by Terrie Anderson

TimeBank member Carolyn Gantner (Far left, back) leads yoga at the TimeBank Wellness Day at the Northside Farmers Market.

What's new in the TimeBank?

By Terrie Anderson

The Northside News

We have over 520 members and lots of interesting new requests and offers!

There is a request for instruction in bicycle maintenance and another for a running partner who does three to six 10-minute miles.

We have many folks on the Northside needing help with small engine repair, car maintenance, gutter cleaning, appliance repair or troubleshooting, moving assistance and furniture repair or refinishing. Can you shovel snow for someone who can't? Do you have a pickup or van that you'd use for hauling things occasionally? Are you handy around the house? You could earn timedollars for helping your neighbors and spend them on some of things below. Call 663-0400 or go to www.danecountytimebank.org to join. It's free.

Some new members are pretty handy in the kitchen. We have offers to cook soul food, bake bread once a week, cook and deliver dinners and plan meals for prescribed dietary restrictions. We have someone who can teach

you to make miso, yogurt or sauerkraut! A TimeBank member who cooks sets the cost of ingredients, which the recipient reimburses and pays timedollars for the cooking time.

Several members are also offering their professional skills. A vet offers specialized pet care. An RN will organize your medications once a week. Another one can advise you on diabetes management. Another member will lead a workshop on non-violent conflict resolution.

There's a new offer to coach executives of non-profit organizations. A couple of financial experts will help you balance your checkbook, and one can help you plan your financial future.

Here's a great offer for new computer users. A member can help you set up email or an online Google calendar. A teen will email you so that you've got mail! And one gracious member can pick up a video for you and stay to watch it with you if you'd like.

Call the TimeBank office at 663-0400 or visit www.danecountytimebank.org for more information.

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Whole Northside Block Party rocks Warner

By Sue Morrison
The Northside News

It was a beautiful sunny Saturday afternoon on Sept. 1 when 100 Northsiders gathered to celebrate the second annual Whole Northside Block Party at Warner Park Shelter.

"I came last year, and it was really neat," said Anita Palmer. This year she took advantage of a free chair massage by Todd Harth of Body Harmony.

Jennifer, Samantha, Skyler and Jennavieve Zelenko enjoyed face painting, balloon and bubbles at the NBA (Northside Business Association) tent. "The event is something for our family to do. It's a fun day together," said Jennifer.

Mason Jonas Krueger and his moth-

er Kate enjoyed the event, taking advantage of the good food and hoping to meet some new neighbors and friends.

Northsiders were treated to music provided by Johnnie Powell of Kool Karaoke, and a few partiers even entertained with karaoke songs. Who could pass up all the wonderful food from partygoers who brought dishes to share and showed off their cooking and baking talents?

Former Alder Brian Bedford and his family (Julie, Maya and Jacob) grilled hamburgers and hot dogs. Oscar Mayer donated hotdogs, the Benfords donated buns, Villa Tap donated ice, Brennan's donated watermelons, the Esquire Club donated chips, PDQ donated cookies and NBA donated water and condi-



Photos by Sue Morrison

Left: Markie Pendelton shared how a working bee hive works to make honey. Top: Meagon Loy (left) paints Samantha Zelenko's face.

ments. The Maple Bluff Fire Department brought their fire truck for people to see. The Madison Police Department led a demonstration with K9 dog Ivan. Also present was Tahitian Noni Juice, North/East Side Youth Basketball, Markie Pendelton with a working beehive, Dr. Ron Inda of Chiropractic Works, the OC Bee and Maynard Mallard.

Big thanks go to the organizers, including MNBA Steve Olsen, Lynette Jandl, Sharon Dawley Carr, Brian Benford and Timebank volunteers. To help or learn about next year's Whole Northside Block Party, join the Yahoo group at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/northsideblockparty>.

Madison Commons offers profile-writing workshops on Northside

By Cathy DeShano
Madison Commons Managing Editor

Madison Commons will offer a number of workshops to introduce residents to reporting and basic journalism principles. The Writing Profile Stories series will be held at the Packers Community Learning Center Workshop dates are Wed., Oct. 24 and 31 and Nov. 7 from 7-9 pm.

Our three-part series highlights journalism principles and delves into con-

structing stories, including developing good interviewing and note-taking skills, finding story sources, and learning journalism-style guidelines. Participants will complete a profile story of their choice during the series and will be asked to write an additional article during the three-month period following completion of the series.

Madison Commons is a citizen journalism website that provides news and information about all of Madison's

neighborhoods, and a crossroads for discussion of community issues.

The site includes stories written by people trained through the Madison Commons workshops. We encourage workshop participants to continue writing for the Commons after their training. Visit the Commons online at www.madisoncommons.org

If you're curious, like to uncover answers to interesting questions, enjoy talking with people or love to write,

then you're a great candidate for the Madison Commons workshops! Past participants have come to our workshops with a variety of backgrounds, interests and goals.

Workshops are free. Space is limited, and pre-registration is required.

To register, contact Cathy DeShano, Madison Commons managing editor by emailing cldeshano@yahoo.com or calling 237-1435.

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Nov. 18, 3 pm

Interfaith Thanksgiving Gathering

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free to everyone



Nov. 22, Noon

Annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner

Call the church office at 244-6181 to make a reservation
free to everyone

Market ends great second season

By Lynette Jandl
The Northside News

This was a wonderful year for the Northside Farmers Market. Farmers provided fresh local vegetables, fruits, meats, eggs, chickens, conversation, entertainment and laughs. Shoppers provided enthusiasm, loyalty and many new friends.

"It's so nice to talk to the people who grow and harvest what I eat, and the variety is so good," said Sharon Dawley Carr. She added she really likes being able to park right next to the market and do her shopping in just a few minutes.

This summer, shoppers enjoyed special events including Cinco de Mayo, Juneteenth, Old Americana Days, Hmong Festival, Traditional Harvest Festival and Italian Heritage Festival.

"I love it. I'm very proud to have [the Farmers Market] here on the Northside. I love the community feeling. There's such a lot of diversity in the people and the variety of foods. It's great!" said Renee Moe-Salus.

Join the market for the last two outdoor Sundays!

Sun., Oct. 14 - First Annual One-Pot Cook Off - Contest open to anyone wishing to enter. Contestants must finish and serve from one pot using a propane or charcoal stove. Create your stew, soup, chili, gumbo or something else with least three ingredients sold at the market. Judging is at 11 am with the People's Choice tasting at 11:05. Winners will be announced at noon.

The prizes are \$75 for Judge's Choice and \$75 for People's Choice. Registration deadline is Fri., Oct. 13, 6 pm. Register with Dale Mathews at 217-9631. The maximum number of contestants is 10.

Sun., Oct. 21 (last market)-Northside Artists Group (NSAG) member Forrest Espinoza of Arttogo will share her kits and a mixed media art board activity for all ages (suggested donation \$2). NSAG member and photographer Kristi Hall will show and sell her work.

For more information, visit www.northsidefarmersmarket.org or contact Dale Mathews at 217-9631.

Winter Market Opens

The Northside Farmers Market will have an indoor market at Northside TownCenter (in former Hancock Fabric space) on the first and third Sundays in November and December!

Nov. 4 & 18
Dec. 2 & 16
10 am to 2 pm

Check out www.northsidefarmersmarket.org for developing news on the winter indoor markets, special entertainment, brunch and the possibility of more market days in early 2008 or call 217-3631.

River Food Pantry announces lucky Harley winner

By Andy Czerkas
River Food Pantry

The River Food Pantry's Harley-Davidson raffle concluded with the July 29 drawing. The raffle was a solid success in raising funds. Enough money was earned to fund the pantry for three months.

Pantry directors want to thank all those who helped sell tickets and all businesses and churches that allowed us to show the motorcycle and sell tickets. Last, but certainly not least, we want to express our thanks to all the individuals and companies who purchased tickets. Without all of you, it would not have been a very successful raffle. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

The winner of raffle was **Rebecca Bryant** from Northridge Terrace in Madison. Rebecca, who works for Cost Cutters, was thrilled to win. It was the first time she won a raffle. She purchased the tickets just to support the food pantry, never really hoping to win. She planned to sell

the motorcycle and already had offers one day after the drawing. We wish her well with the sale.



Harley winner
Rebecca Bryant

Other prize winners

Princeton Club memberships were won by Linda Mishler, Bridget Bradley, Tom Hebenstreit and Steve Schmid.

Paul Lang won a Curves membership, which he planned to pass along to his wife.

Regina Wilson and Cynthia Huttenbach won high-end electric toothbrushes. The DuWayne's Salon gift certificate went to Richard Handel. Linda Staughn and Sharene Smith were the winners of Laundryland gift certificates.

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Nano Cafés

that consumers won't use because of perceived or actual risks? What good would it do to produce methods of eliminating diseases, famine or pollution only to discover decades later that we inadvertently unleashed a series of reactions that have seriously detrimental effects on our life-supporting planet (asbestos is one historic example of not thinking ahead).

CCoN members are regular citizens who want to learn, form opinions, teach others and direct the development of nanotechnologies toward the more positive potentials for the public and the planet. They believe that a strong democracy depends on informed citizens. Without scientifically-backed and well-informed citizen input, risks might be misperceived, or weaponry and frivolous consumer goods produced rather than positive and world-changing developments.

For example, nanotechnology could help desalinate or purify water and build more effective solar panel or pesticides sensors. Whether these promises will be fulfilled is still unclear, but if citizens, scientists and policymakers recommend their development, they are more likely to happen.

The next Nano Café will be held on Tues., Oct. 23 (see sidebar on page 4). The focus is on nanotechnology and the environment. Two scientists from the NSEC, Robert Hamers and Joel Pedersen, will talk about potential risks and benefits of nanotechnology for our environment and will answer questions. Refreshments and a conversation-generating program make Nano Cafés pleasant ways to use your mind to learn and to express your own thinking or questions for the benefit of all involved. Please come and participate!

See www.nanocafes.org for details about the event and a comprehensive look at all aspects of nanotechnology.

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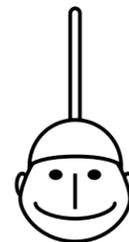
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