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FW: Landmarks Commission Agenda #6: Plan for Confederate monuments

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Please forward to commission members.

Dear Landmarks Commission members,

I see <u>the Confederate monuments issue</u> as an opportunity disguised as a problem... to ask deeper questions about the purpose of monuments and memorials... and the concept of heroes, traitors, patriots and judgment.

Many teachers of consciousness suggest that those people and situations that trigger us reflect something about **ourselves** that needs examining... offering an evolutionary growth and healing opportunity (e.g. transcending judgment, blame, arrogance and self-righteousness).

Are *We The People* of Madison (named after the primary author of our great experiment in freedom) ready to face and embrace such an evolutionary growth opportunity? Catalyze a new experiment in freedom (and **responsibility)**? Inspire others to such growth?

Our survival may depend on it. Carl Landsness Madison native son, prodigal son, placemaker, peacemaker and (when needed) troublemaker

## "No problem can be solved at the same level of consciousness that created it" -Einstein