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Sharing What We Have: Tent City Returns to St Therese Church *By St Therese Social Justice Commission*

In the summer of 2001 St Therese Catholic Church hosted Tent City for one month on the green field across the street from the church on 35th Avenue. That experience proved to be an enriching, community-building opportunity despite some initial resistance to the idea in the neighborhood. The process of hosting Tent City helped us become better communicators and more sensitive neighbors to those that immediately surround our church.



will host Tent City on the field across from the church in Madrona from June 20 and August 22.

Last spring, Tent City approached us to ask if we would sponsor them again during the summer of 2008. Other obligations prevented us from hosting them at that time but we made it clear that Tent City would definitely be welcome at St. Therese again. Earlier this summer, we decided to make good on that commitment and so St Therese Catholic Church

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Madrona Community Council President's Corner

By Cynthia Stross, 35th Avenue

Thank you, thank you, thank you to all the Madrona neighbors who continue to send donations to support the Madrona Community Council. I'm happy to acknowledge Fanny Porter of E Union, David & Charles Bonsteel of 36th Ave, Ronnie Levitt & Chuck Cowan of 38th Ave, Douglas & Elaine Weisfield of 39th Ave, and David & Lynn Chelimer of Randolph Pl. If you wonder where the money goes, take a look at the pictures from Mayfair on page 7.

At the June 2 MCC meeting, we heard from representatives and parish members of St. Therese and from residents of Tent City about their summer plans. St. Therese will host up to 100 adult residents of Tent City from June 20 through August 22 on the playfield across from the church on 35th Avenue. The community has been located at 22nd & Cherry, as guests of the

Cherry Hill Baptist church, since late April. This is a return to Madrona and St. Therese, which hosted Tent City in the summer of 2001.

Many people came to express support for Tent City and St. Therese. Others came to ask questions or express concerns. Tent City told us about their security measures, about the code of conduct expected from all residents, and their community structure. In short, they elect executive officers every two weeks to run the camp. Every resident is assigned jobs within the camp, including kitchen duties, neighborhood clean-up patrol and security. Their governing organization, ShareWheel, checks each applicant against the Washington State Sex Offender Registry before allowing them to move into their community.

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40 Years of Inspiration

*"O! He doth teach the torches to burn bright".
- Romeo & Juliet Act I, Scene V*

The man who finds that his vocation and his passion are one and the same is a lucky man indeed! Such a fortunate fellow is Madrona's Harvey Sadis of 35th



Avenue, who just retired after completing his 40th year as a teacher. Harvey grew up in Mt. Baker, graduated from Franklin in 1964 and entered the UW as a pre-med student. Twas an under-graduate encounter with English literature that replotted Harvey's course. A professor suggested that he attend the Ashland Shakespeare Festival so Harvey went and got hooked on the Bard. Since then, he and his wife Harriett Cody and daughter Halley, who saw her first play at age 6, have made the trek every year.

He began his teaching career back at Franklin in 1968 but soon moved to the
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elementary grades. He spent 13 years in Seattle Public Schools, surviving the turbulent 70s when south end students were bussed north and teachers were often laid off or involuntarily reassigned to other schools. An educational entrepreneur, he and Carol Brown developed a summer arts-integrated day camp called Small Changes in Madrona in 1976. Harvey's Summer Camp for Kids operated for the following three years. By 1982, tired of being bounced from one public school to the next, he was ready to pursue his dream of creating an independent arts-integrated elementary school, and founded Spruce Street School two blocks west of Garfield.

At Spruce Street, Harvey was not only the founder, he was also a full-time teacher, director, admissions director, and general contractor for several summer time remodels. The school, now located at 9th & Virginia, just completed its 27th year and remains one of Harvey's most lasting legacies. It was also the stage for his ground breaking work with introducing elementary aged children to Shakespeare—and the scene of his retirement celebration on June 13, 2009.

In 1995, with Spruce Street established, he chose to return to public elementary education. Empowered by the success of Spruce Street, Harvey continued his Shakespeare-based literacy program for emerging readers. Every year, his second graders began learning the stories in September, by October they were reading the original Shakespeare scripts, edited for length by Harvey, and trying on their roles. By May, class after class performed amazing 60-minute productions of *Twelfth Night*, *Macbeth*, *Romeo & Juliet*, *Comedy of Errors*, *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, and the *Tempest*. Harvey's unique work with young students and Shakespeare has been widely recognized by the education community. In 2005 he was presented with a Golden Apple award for "honoring excellence in education" and making a difference in Washington state education.

Even in retirement, Harvey will continue to bring great literature to young readers. He is the subject of a documentary film that will be used to introduce his student production process, from rehearsal to final performance, to other teachers. The film will feature his last troupe of actors, the Cascade Players, 7- to 11-year old students from Cascade Elementary in Renton performing Harvey's original script, *The Glover's Son*. The players include seven beginning English speakers and the audience shines with families recently arrived from Vietnam, Samoa, Moldova, Taiwan, Fiji, Philippines, Poland, Ethiopia, and Mexico.

40 years of teaching, more than 30 student Shakespeare productions, unlimited enthusiasm and inspiration. Congratulations and thank you, Harvey!



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Amara Honors Foster Family

By Kathy Humphrey, Community Relations

Amara, a nonprofit organization located in the heart of Madrona, recently honored a Seward Park family for their dedicated service to medically fragile infants in foster care. John and Rhonda James and their daughter Lindsay received Amara's annual award, which recognizes those who open their hearts and homes in an especially kind and selfless way to vulnerable children in foster care.

The James family began providing foster care in 2006, focusing on caring for infants who were drug-affected at birth. They have gained special knowledge and skills so they can care for children in fragile medical condition. The family has provided temporary care to 12 young and medically fragile children.

They recently adopted a child for whom they have been providing foster care. Their new one-year-old son, Anthony, has a rare immunity disorder. They met him when he was three months old and living at Seattle Children's Hospital. Since that day, someone from the James family has been with him around the clock, either in their home or in the hospital.

The James family is a wonderful example of the foster and adoptive families Amara serves in its work to create and support stable, loving homes for vulnerable children. Founded in 1921 and supported by a combination of individual, business and foundation donors, Amara focuses on finding permanent homes for children in foster care.

At its office in Madrona, Amara has 21 social work and administrative staff and leases space to eight tenants. As an organization serving children and families, the staff rarely works an 8-to-5 day. Amara conducts frequent evening and weekend training classes for current and prospective clients. Madrona's shops and restaurants are particularly welcome neighbors for Amara staff and clients. For more information on Amara, visit www.amaraparenting.org.

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Madrona Leads Water 1st Fundraiser

*From Jon Hughes, Ann Hollar,
Jen Norling & Kirk Anderson*

On May 30, more than 450 children, adults, schools, businesses, and clubs gained a first-hand understanding of the true burden of gathering water that one-fifth of the world's population experiences every day, —and raised \$40,000 in the process. At the second annual Water 1st Carry 5 fundraiser, participants tried to carry 5 gallons of water for 5 kilometers along Lake Washington Blvd., to simulate the average walk made by people in poor countries who lack access to safe, convenient water supplies.

Before walk day, volunteer teams of participants raised money for water projects in Ethiopia, India, Bangladesh, and Honduras. At the walk, held at Seward Park, they filled plastic containers with water from Lake Washington to show solidarity with those who make this strenuous trek to collect water every day, sometimes multiple times a day.

Madrona had two of the largest Carry 5 teams, the Madrona Kids and the Water Wizards. These teams, plus many individuals from the neighborhood who participated in the event, are truly making a tangible difference in the lives of thousands of



Iman Mustafa, Madrona K-8 5th grader and daughter of Nuria Agraw, helps Carry 5

people. The money raised will end the long, arduous walk for water for so many around the world, and open up new opportunities for them. In the words of one Water 1st project beneficiary from rural Ethiopia, "You are helping us enter into a new world."

On behalf of those who will soon have clean water because of your efforts, thank you to everyone in Madrona—and throughout Seattle—who took part in Carry 5!

Water 1st is a Seattle-based non-profit organization supporting safe water, sanitation, and hygiene education projects for people living in developing countries. To learn more or get involved, visit us at Water1st.org.

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Meet Your Local Artist:

Ginny Conrow of Conrow Porcelain

There is a seemingly secret life behind the windows of the Conrow Porcelain Showroom on 34th Avenue. Sometimes there are beautiful clay works on display, sometimes the shelves are empty. Rarely do you see a person inside, or find the door unlocked. But just behind the gallery is a very active space—it is the studio of clay artist Ginny Conrow. Throughout the week, Ginny is there working, constructing and firing the vases and platters she is known for finishing with amazing crystalline glazes.

Ginny also travels all over the world to sell her porcelain work at craft shows and to teach workshops. These are the times when you peek in the window and there aren't examples on her gallery shelves. She teaches in Australia, New Zealand, and Thailand, and has taught locally at the Seward Park Clay Studio. With so much going on, it is no wonder she doesn't have time to sit and mind her gallery.

Prior to becoming a potter, Ginny was an academic, teaching Journalism at Eastern Michigan University in the late 1960s and early 1970s. After studying and teaching for many years, being introduced to working with clay was something so different, so personal, and so exciting that before giving up teaching she ran herself into the ground trying to teach, study and make pots all at the same time! She moved to Seattle as a full time potter (and mom to son Aaron) in 1975 and her studio was at 19th and Aloha. Her next move was to Madrona in 1983.

For 25 years, Ginny Conrow has lived and worked at 1429 34th, right across from the Wilridge Winery and Dulces. These businesses, of course, didn't exist when she first arrived! She loves that the growing retail district has made Madrona feel very alive, and says it feels much safer having restaurants open at night, with people walking around enjoying themselves.

Please make sure to heed the signs on the gallery door. You are WELCOME to knock/ring the bell and if she's there, Ginny would love to show you through the garden and studio. You might consider setting up an appointment to meet Ginny and view her studio and artwork before meeting friends for dinner in Madrona.

From June 26 through July 18 there will be a retrospective of her 40 years of artwork at the Azuma Gallery on 1st Avenue. To contact Ginny, call 324-0734 or visit conrowporcelain.com.



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2009 Madrona Neighborhood Events

The Madrona Community Council does not meet during the summer. In September, the MCC will begin accepting nominations for new officers. What a great way to make Madrona the neighborhood you want it to be!

- Jan** Martin Luther King Celebration—Jan 18 Epiphany
Mar Neighbor Appreciation Day—March 7 Jon Hughes
April Neighborhood Cleanup—April 19 Didi Burpee
May Mayfair Parade & Carnival—May 16 Paige Smith
 Community Garage Sale—May 30 Janna Pekaar
**July/
 Aug** Madrona Summer BBQ Festival —Canceled!
Sept **MCC Officer Election**—Cynthia Stross
cynistr@gmail.com
Oct Kids' Halloween Party —October 31 Ruth Walther
surperruth@msn.com
Nov Winter Greens & Holiday Lights
Dec Christmas Ships, Bon Fire & Carols at
 Madrona Beach —**Need Coordinator**

To get involved, contact these event coordinators or Madrona Community Council VP of Events Paige Smith at 225-5821 or paige.eg.smith@gmail.com

Play Madrona Mutt Match-up

By Shelly Haverkamp, 30th Avenue

Sometimes it seems like everyone in Madrona has a dog. All of these dogs live in our neighborhood. To play Mutt Match-up, pick which dog lives with which owner by drawing a leash to connect them. The answers are on page 13.



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Madrona Economic Stimulus Party June 24

By Business Owners Of Madrona aka BOOM

Want to do your part to stimulate the economy? Look no further than downtown Madrona!

Many Madrona area businesses will stay open until 9:00pm on June 24 for a neighborhood economic stimulus party. Spend your Obamabucks in Madrona and watch your dollars multiply in the local economy. Participating businesses include: Artradina's Thriftique, City Life Real Estate, Conrow Porcelain, Driftwood, Dulces Latin Bistro, Eastern Elements, glassybaby, Hitchcock, Jay Walk, Juniper, Paul Grays Barber Lounge, St. Clouds, and Wilridge Winery.

The night will be extra special at Wilridge, which will hold its first ever Spring Wine Release Party. The party will feature wines for the summer including two new whites and a Rose' that just won First Place at the Ray's Boathouse Rose' Revival Wine Festival. The winery will be decorated with candlelit glassybabys, which will also be available for purchase.



If you'd like a little dinner either before or after your wine, Dulces will discount all wine purchased with dinner 25%, and St. Clouds will waive the corkage fee for any wine bought from Wilridge.

Hope for a balmy evening and plan to stay out late to wander through all of our wonderful neighborhood businesses. It's your support of these local businesses that keeps the Madrona business district alive and beautiful. Think globally and buy locally!



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Buggy Kids' Clothes Rides into Madrona

Madrona Moms are rejoicing to hear that a great Beacon Hill kids' clothes consignment shop is relocating to Madrona. The shop is called Buggy and it's owned by Seattle moms Sarah Dublin and Heather Hollenbeck.



The Beacon Hill store is closing after two years on Beacon Avenue. The new Madrona Buggy will be upstairs at 1422 34th Avenue, next to Wilridge Winery and above Domestic Furniture. The grand re-opening of the beautiful new space is set for July 11 from 10:00am to 4:00pm and Sarah and Heather promise a day filled with special deals, surprises and treats.

Sarah and Heather, who lives in Hillman City, each have two kids of their own and they understand the sense and necessity for clothes-cycling. "We see our shop as an extension of our homes, reflective of our own personal

interests in access to high-quality design at affordable prices," said Sarah, who lives on Beacon Hill. At Buggy, customers will find the cutest clothes for babies and kids (currently ages 0-6, bigger sizes coming soon) from high-end brands such as Hanna Andersson, Cakewalk,

Welcome Babies!

Benjamin Jacob Foltz, born April 27, 2009, weighed in at 8 lb 13 oz. He is welcomed by parents Luba and Greg Foltz, and big sister Clara of Dorffel Drive E.

Rowan Reuben Terry Martin was born at home on E. Howell St. April 16, 2009 to parents Tove Martin and Brian Terry. He weighed 9lbs 6oz and his whole family, including big brother Finn, is enamored.

and Petit Bateau to the best of the chain stores – Circo, Gap Kids/ Baby Gap, Old Navy, Carters, and Gymboree. Buggy's vintage finds and hand knits are all in perfect condition with lots of life left in them. Buggy also stocks clothes for mamas. Whether newly pregnant or ready to pop, their selection of gently-used maternity clothes gives shape-shifting women the opportunity to get something new-to-you without making a huge investment.

You will also find wonderful new items at Buggy. They carry unique lines, many from the Northwest, and strive to support independent small businesses that practice responsible manufacturing. Said Sarah, "We sell products that we loved using with our own kids."

So keep an eye out for the balloons directing you to the stairs on the north side of the building that will lead you up to the new Buggy. For information about store hours, events, and consignment policies, visit, www.shop-buggy.com,

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Summer Reading Programs for All Ages

By Lynn Lorenz, Children's Librarian

The Seattle Public Library will offer a number of fun and free programs this summer for the 2009 Summer Reading Program at your local Madrona-Sally Goldmark Branch.

Children age twelve and under will receive a free paperback book and free entry to the Burke Museum after reading 10 books. Their completed reading logs are their tickets, good for admission of up

to two adults and four children between July 1 and December 31, 2009. Children who read 10 books by August 3 will be entered into a drawing to attend the City Librarian's popular Breakfast of Champions held at the Sheraton Hotel.

Readers of all ages are encouraged to participate in the

Summer Reading Program by keeping track of the number of books they read. The goal for the Madrona-Sally Goldmark Branch is to read 2,375 books by the end of the summer! Teens who read a book and then write a book review will receive a free paperback book. Adults who write a book review will be entered into a drawing; one entry per book review. A drawing will be held weekly for a Friends of the Seattle Public Library book bag and a Starbucks coffee card.

Library Hours

Monday:	1pm - 8pm
Tuesday:	1pm - 8pm
Wednesday:	10am - 8pm
Thursday:	10am - 8pm
Friday:	10am - 6pm
Saturday:	10am - 6pm
Sunday:	Closed

For more information about the Summer Reading Program, library hours, and anything else, call The Seattle Public Library at 386-4636 or visit www.spl.org.

Special summer events at the Madrona Branch are:

Preschool Story Times. It's is story time! Bring your preschoolers to enjoy stories, rhymes, songs, and fun with our children's librarian. Wednesdays at 10:30am on June 17, 24, July 8, 15, 22, 29, and August 12, 19, 26.

Read a Book/Share a Book. Share book recommendations with your friends and neighbors, and find out what others in the community are reading and recommending. June 13, 2:00pm.

Zinery 101. Learn about zines and make your own with Lucy Morehouse of Ong Ong Press. For ages twelve and older. Please register with the branch 684-4705. June 25, 6:00pm.

Bee-Boppin' Bugs! Seattle-based singer Nancy Stewart performs a fun-filled concert with cool facts about bugs. For ages ten and under. July 1, 10:30am.

Duct Tape Mania. Create all kinds of things with duct tape! Roses, pictures frames, wallets, and more can all be made with duct tape. For ages 12-18. July 8, 6:00pm.

Ponte el ritmo (Put Your Rhythm On!) Seattle performers Elsita and El Jefe will perform Afro-Latino music with fun and humor. For all ages. July 18, 11:00am.

Seattle Art Tour. Local art critic and *The Stranger* contributor Craig Brownson will present a virtual tour and discussion of various independent modern art galleries in Seattle. For adults. August 13, 6:30pm.

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A Merry Mayfair Day

By Deidre Silva, 31st Avenue

The weather obliged this past Mayfair, offering up sunshine and warm temperatures to the hundreds of community families that gathered for our neighborhood's annual festival. At 9:30am, the Garfield Drumline and Deano the Clown led the colorful procession of kids, bikes, scooters and strollers up 34th Avenue from Al Larkins Park to Madrona Park. A Seattle Fire truck was in the staging area but had to respond to a call just as the parade began! At the Madrona Playfield a crowd of 500 enjoyed a beautiful sunning morning of face painting, pony rides, bouncy houses and other carnival games.

A festival of this scale takes a lot of help and many Madrona neighbors obliged, as well. The Madrona Community and the Mayfair Committee— Paige Smith, Jennie Fox, Anne Marie Mills, Susie Martin, Sarah Bryar, Edie Sonne Hall, Sarah Gimbel, and Laralyn Barhydt—would like to thank the following volunteers:

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Shappell, Beth Morgan, Andrew Russin.

Clean Up: Katie Snyder, Sean Overland, Jen Smith.
Entertainment & Excitement: Monad, Garfield Drum Line, Deano the Clown.
Bake Sale and Food Tables: Averil Rothrock, Ronnie, Nikki Lundin, Madeleine, Nikola Davidson, Madrona K-8 PTSA, John Platt.

Carnival Games & Bouncy Houses: Susan Swirsley, Sam, Adam, Sam Shethars, Todd Smith, Sean Overland, David Parker.

Face Painting: Emma Kearney and friends, Piper Shethars and Katherine.
On-call nurse: David Parker.
Bakers: Didi Burpee, Pamela Charles, Hiromi Lorenze, Beth Munro, Susan Swirsley, Hannah Ditty, Abby Beller, Susie Martin, Holly Henson, Averil Rothrock, Sherri Wolson, Brenda Newman, Anne Bare, Christiane Tsoungui, Maggie Hooks, Sarah Bryar, Megan Shethars, Haven

Choquette, Barrett Kimball, Edie Sonne Hall. **Graphic Artists:** Katie Feltz and Hannah Wygal

Anyone I've Forgotten: Thank YOU too!



President's Corner.. (cont'd from page 1)

We heard from several people, including a Seattle University director, about Tent City's history of living up to their commitments to their host neighborhoods and abiding by their guidelines and codes of conduct. We heard from several Tent City residents about how the camp has helped them survive and avoid living on the streets. St. Therese plans to actively engage the parish in a relationship with Tent City and welcomes anyone from the neighborhood who would like to get involved. Tent City also invites interested neighbors to stop by the entrance tent to pick up information or get a tour.

In other news, there appear to be more developments in the City's approach to Residential Parking Zones (RPZ). Since the 1970s, RPZs were established using petitions circulated by neighborhood residents. However, the Seattle City Council is considering changing (or by print time, has changed) the method of forming RPZs. Instead of being the result of neighborhood petition, the Department of Transportation (DOT) will decide if a neighborhood parking situation warrants designation as a RPZ. If a neighborhood meets certain criteria, the DOT could impose the RPZ. Residents would then have to pay for permits to park on the designated streets regardless of whether the residents had requested the RPZ.

My personal feelings aside, this is another demonstration of the adage that elections have consequences. Speaking of elections, the MCC elections are in the fall. Consider whether you have the time and interest to get involved. The MCC does not meet in July or August so please join us in September for the next community meeting. Have a great summer!



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Tent City.. (cont'd from page 1)

Tent City is a community of otherwise homeless men and women that has no permanent location. The camp moves from place to place every few weeks, and is usually hosted by a nearby place of worship. Tent City is limited to 100 people, and no minors are allowed to spend the night there, although many kids visit friends and relatives during the day. To control access to the encampment, there is only one entry/exit, and it is guarded by members of the community at all times. Residents live in their own tents, or in community tents that are segregated by gender. All residents adhere to a strict code of conduct regarding personal and community behavior. Dumpsters, portable toilets, and a shower are provided to address sanitation concerns. These services are paid for by non-profit organizations Seattle Housing and Resources Effort (SHARE) and Women's Housing Equality and Enhancement League (WHEEL).

The St. Therese Parish has a long and committed history of working for justice, and opening our doors to the people of Tent City is one way to manifest that commitment. In 2001, when Tent City was at St. Therese for the first time, a group of volunteers from St. Clouds restaurant prepared and served the residents thoughtful home-cooked meals. That kindness was the impetus for the Homeless Cooking program in Madrona that continues to feed the hungry in 2009.

The Social Justice Commission exists to act as leaven for

the St. Therese Parish in becoming a more just community and a community for justice. As happened in 2001, all neighbors, whether member of St Therese Parish or not, are invited to volunteer in some way during the residency of Tent City. The residents will need assistance on move in and move out days, and we encourage everyone in Madrona to do what they can to make the members of the Tent City community feel welcome in our neighborhood.

Direct your questions about Tent City at St Therese to either sttheresejustice@gmail.com, Brian Mack at 852-2641, or Joe Hastings at 568-7237.

Share / Wheel Tent City III CODE OF CONDUCT

We, the people of Share / Wheel, in order to keep a more harmonious community, ask that you observe the following code of conduct:

- Share / Wheel's Tent City is a drug- and alcohol-free zone. Those caught drinking or doing drugs will be asked to leave. Sobriety is required.
- No weapons are allowed. Knives over 3.5 inches must be checked in.
- Any violence will not be tolerated. Please attempt to resolve any conflict in a creative and peaceful manner.
- Degradation, ethnic, racist, sexist or homophobic remarks are not acceptable. No physical punishment, verbal abuse or intimidation will be tolerated.
- We are a community. Please respect the rights and privacy of your fellow citizens.
- No men in the women's tents; no women in the men's tents.
- No open flames, loitering, disturbing neighbors, or trespassing.
- Attendance of at least one of the several community meetings held through the week is required; days and times will be posted so that you may work it into your schedule.
- If these rules are not respected and enforced, Tent City III may be permanently closed.

MADRONA COMMUNITY CALENDAR

RECURRING EVENTS:



- WEDNESDAYS** 5:45 PM **Weight Watchers Meeting**—Central Area Senior Center in Leschi, 500 30th Ave S., 726-4929
- WEDNESDAYS** 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM **Bible Study** – Epiphany Christie House Library www.epiphanyseattle.org
- WEDNESDAYS** 7:00 PM – 8:30 PM **Library Book Club**—Madrona-Sally Goldmark Library, 1134 33rd Ave.
- THURSDAYS** 5:30 PM **Marathon Training** — Meredith Mathews East Madison YMCA. 322-6969.
- THURSDAYS** 7:30 PM **AA/ALANON Meeting**—Epiphany Great Hall www.epiphanyseattle.org.
- FRIDAYS** 7:30 AM **Madrona/Leschi Citizens Against the War**—Quiet demonstration, 23rd & Union, Kathy Barker kbarker715@gmail.com .
- FRIDAYS** 3:00 – 7:00 PM **Madrona Farmers Market**—Grocery Outlet parking lot, MLK & Union .
- SUNDAYS** 1:00-4:00 PM **Bicycle Sunday**—Lake Washington Blvd closed to cars from Seward Park to Mt Baker Blvd. (Not held: July 5, 26 & August 2) www.seattle.gov/parks/bicyclesunday

- June 18** 7:00 PM **Singin' in the Rain Family Choir Concert** – Epiphany Parish Hall (Upstairs) FREE & kids welcome.
- June 20** **Tent City Move In Day**—Help welcome the members of this community to Madrona. St Therese Catholic Church 936 35th Avenue, sttheresejustice@gmail.com or Joe Hastings 568-7237.
- June 20** 10:00 AM **Madrona Walking Tour**—Learn about neighborhood history and architecture. Tickets at www.seattlearchitecture.org.
- June 20** **Madison & Mt Backer Beaches Open** —Lifeguards provided by Seattle Parks & Rec through September 7.
- June 20** 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM **Skin Clinic: Free Mini Microderms** – Experience a mini microdermabrasion treatment with instant results! Seattle Art of Wellness, 1125 34th Ave, Ste A, Ty, 324-3552 or www.SeaWellness.com.
- June 22 – July 5** **Precocious Book Exchange**—Trade your gently used children's or young-reader books for books gently used by others. Precocious Toys, 701 34th Ave, 322-9396.
- June 24** 10:30 AM **Preschool Story Time** – Madrona Sally-Goldmark Library, 1134 33rd Ave, 684-4705.
- June 24** 5:00 PM – 9:00 PM **Madrona Business District Economic Stimulus Party** – Local business will be open late for your shopping pleasure. Includes Wilridge Winery's first ever Sprint Wine Release Party!
- June 25** 10:30 AM **Library Class: Zinery 101** – Learn about zines and make your own with Lucy Morehouse of Ong Ong Press. Madrona-Sally Goldmark Library. For ages 12+; register at 684-4705.
- June 26 – July 18** **Ginny Conrow Artwork Exhibit** – A retrospective of 40 years of pottery and glazes. Azuma Gallery, 530 1st Ave S. Continues through July 18. Ginny Conrow 324-0734 or www.conrowporcelain.com.
- June 27** **Madrona & Seward Beaches Open** — Lifeguards provided by Seattle Parks & Rec through September 7.
- June 28** 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM **Madrona K-8 Community Gardening Weed & Meet** – Help weed, thin and harvest vegetables. Tools, refreshment & fun provided. Madrona K-8, 1121 33rd Ave, Rita Sheckler at Rita@5500rpm.com.
- June 30** Closing, **FIBERMORGANA-** Fiber Arts Group Exhibition featuring quilts by Madrona artist Brenetta Ward. UW Tower, 4th floor mezzanine, 4333 Brooklyn Ave. NE., Chaya Siegelbaum 616-0617 or Csiegelbaum@EXTN.washington.edu.
- June 30** **Meridith Mathews YMCA Facility Closed for Maintenance.** Reopens July 5.
- July 1** 10:30 AM **Library Performance: Bee-Boppin' Bugs!** – Seattle-based singer, Nancy Stewart performs a fun-filled concert with cool facts about bugs! For ages 10 and under. Madrona-Sally Goldmark Library, 684-4705.
- July 1** 5:00 PM **Pratt Scholarship Applications Due**— Local artists invited to apply for scholarships for classes and studio time. Tracey Fugami 328-2200, ext. 228 or www.pratt.org.
- July 2** 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM **Family Game Night** — Learn to play new games for all age groups, kids are always welcome. Mad Pizza and drinks are provided. Precocious Toys 701 34th Avenue, 322-9396 www.precocioustoys.com.
- July 3** 9:00 AM **BOOM (Business Owners of Madrona) Meeting.** All Madrona business owners are welcome. Contact Amy Bush for location, info@jaywalkseattle.com.
- July 4** 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM **Neighborhood Cooking for the Homeless**— American BBQ! Madrona Presbyterian Church, Darren Pritt darren@neighborhoodcooking.org.
- July 5** 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM **Neighborhood Cooking for the Homeless**— American BBQ! Madrona Presbyterian Church, Darren Pritt darren@neighborhoodcooking.org.
- July 8** 10:30 AM **Preschool Story Time** – Madrona Sally-Goldmark Library, 684-4705.
- July 8** 6:00 PM **Library Class: Duct Tape Mania** – Create all kinds of things with duct tape, like roses, picture frames, wallets and more. For ages 12-18. Madrona- Library, 684-4705.
- July 15** 10:30 AM **Preschool Story Time** – Madrona Sally-Goldmark Library, 684-4705.
- July 11** 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM **Buggy Open House**—Grand opening of the kids consignment shop's new Madrona location with special deals, surprises and treats. Upstairs at 1422 34th Avenue. Sarah Dublin and Heather Hollenbeck. www.shop-buggy.com.

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- July 11** 10:00 AM –2:00 PM **Neighborhood Cooking for the Homeless**—Madrona Presbyterian Church, Darren Pritt darren@neighborhoodcooking.org.
- July 15** 9:00 AM –1:00 PM **Neighborhood Cooking for the Homeless**—St. Cloud’s Restaurant, Darren Pritt darren@neighborhoodcooking.org.
- July 18** 11:00 AM **Library Performance: Ponte el ritmo (Put Your Rhythm On!)** – Elsita and El Jefe will perform Afro-Latino music with fun and humor. For all ages. Madrona-Sally Goldmark Library, 684-4705.
- July 22** 10:30 AM **Preschool Story Time** – Madrona Sally-Goldmark Library, 684-4705
- July 24** 6:30 PM **Family Dive-In Movie Night** – Swimming fun for the whole family with all the lights out while watching *Beverly Hills Chihuahua* (PG)! \$4 Adults/\$2.75 Youth (box office opens at 6:15 PM). Medgar Evers Pool, 500 23rd Ave, 684-4766.
- July 25** 12:30 – 3:00 PM **Garfield Community Family Summer Fest** – Relay races, free family yoga, a bounce-house, try the new net ball plus food! Garfield Community Center, 2323 E Cherry St., 684-4788.
- July 29** 10:30 AM **Preschool Story Time** – Madrona Sally-Goldmark Library, 684-4705
- Aug 1** 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM **Neighborhood Cooking for the Homeless**— Asian Theme! Madrona Presbyterian Church, Darren Pritt darren@neighborhoodcooking.org.
- Aug 2** 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM **Neighborhood Cooking for the Homeless**— Asian Theme! Madrona Presbyterian Church, Darren Pritt darren@neighborhoodcooking.org.
- Aug 4,** **2009 Night Out Against Crime**—A national Crime Prevention event designed to get neighbors together and heighten crime prevention awareness. Register at www.seattle.gov/police/Nightout/default.htm or contact South Precinct Crime Prevention Coordinator Mark Solomon, 386-9766 or mark.solomon@seattle.gov.
- Aug 6** 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM **Family Game Night** — Learn to play new games for all age groups, kids are always welcome. Mad Pizza and drinks are provided. Precocious Toys 701 34th Avenue, 322-9396 www.precocioustoys.com.
- Aug 7** 9:00 AM **BOOM (Business Owners of Madrona) Meeting**, All Madrona business owners are welcome. Contact Amy Bush for location, info@jaywalkseattle.com.
- Aug 8** 10:00 AM –2:00 PM **Neighborhood Cooking for the Homeless**—Madrona Presbyterian Church, Darren Pritt darren@neighborhoodcooking.org.
- Aug 12** 10:30 AM **Preschool Story Time** – Madrona Sally-Goldmark Library, 684-4705.
- Aug 13** 6:30 PM **Library Class: Seattle Art Tour** – Art critic and *The Stranger* contributor Craig Brownson will present a virtual tour and discussion of Seattle’s modern art galleries. For adults. Madrona-Sally Goldmark Library, 684-4705.
- Aug 15** 10:00 AM **Madrona Walking Tour**—Learn about neighborhood history and architecture. Tickets at www.seattlearchitecture.org.
- Aug 15** 11:00 AM **Leschi Centennial Celebration**—Travel back to 1909 with vintage cars, photos, and local history. Leschi Park
- Aug 18** 9:00 AM –2:00 PM **Neighborhood Cooking for the Homeless**—St. Cloud’s Restaurant, Darren Pritt darren@neighborhoodcooking.org.
- Aug 19** 10:30 AM **Preschool Story Time** – Madrona Sally-Goldmark Library, 684-4705.
- Aug 22** 11:00 AM – 9:00 PM **Central Area Community Festival * FREE*** - This one-day event will showcase the positive features of the Central Area Community. Theme is “Change & Challenge” – Food, Fun, Music and more! Garfield Community Center, 23rd & Cherry, 684-4788.
- Aug 22** **Tent City Move Out Day**—Help the members of this community pack up and move to their new location. St Therese Catholic Church 936 35th Avenue, sttheresejustice@gmail.com or Joe Hastings 568-7237.
- Aug 26** 10:30 AM **Preschool Story Time** – Madrona Sally-Goldmark Library, 684-4705.
- Aug 28** 6:30 PM **Family Dive-In Movie Night** – Swimming fun for the whole family with all the lights out while watching *Bedtime Stories* (PG)! \$4 Adults/\$2.75 Youth (box office opens at 6:15 PM). Medgar Evers Pool, 500 23rd Ave, 684-4766.
- Aug 31** 800 AM **St Therese First day of school & Welcome Back Coffee**—See old friends and make new ones.
- Sep 1** 7:15 PM **Madrona Community Council Meeting**—Madrona Playfield Shelterhouse, Cynthia Stross cynistr@gmail.com.
- Sep 2** TBD **Madrona K-8 Back to School BBQ**—Bring your family and your favorite goodies.
- Sep 3** 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM **Family Game Night** — Learn to play new games for all age groups, kids are always welcome. Mad Pizza and drinks are provided. Precocious Toys 701 34th Avenue, 322-9396 www.precocioustoys.com.
- Sep 4** 9:00 AM **BOOM (Business Owners of Madrona) Meeting**, All Madrona business owners are welcome. Contact Amy Bush for location, info@jaywalkseattle.com.
- Sep 5** 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM **Neighborhood Cooking for the Homeless**— African Theme! Madrona Presbyterian Church, Darren Pritt darren@neighborhoodcooking.org.
- Sep 6** 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM **2009 ROOTS Family Picnic**—Social gathering to close the generation gap to strengthen family and community ties. Jimi Hendricks/Sam Smith Parks at the Northwest African American Museum, 2600 S. Massachusetts Street. Paul Mitchell 506-7557
- Sep 6** 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM **Neighborhood Cooking for the Homeless**— African Theme! Madrona Presbyterian Church, Darren Pritt darren@neighborhoodcooking.org.
- Sep 9** **First Day of School**—Seattle Public Schools.



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Madrona Quilter Earns Fiber Arts Degree

By Brenetta Ward, 31st Avenue

On June 4, 2009, I was one of 19 students who received a Certificate in Fiber Arts from the University of Washington Extension Program. I am a third generation quilter. My grandmother taught my aunt to quilt, who in return taught me. As a fiber artist, I enjoy combining traditional quilting techniques and ethnic fabrics to create simple, elegant designs. My quilted pieces celebrate life – the joys, triumphs, memories and sorrows of living. I design contemporary quilts and functional fiber art that nurtures our spiritual needs for creativity, beauty and comfort.

My work, along with that of my 19 colleagues, is being presented to the public in a group exhibition called *Fibermorgana*. The show is a culmination of our nine months of explorations in basketry, felting, needlework, quilting, surface design, weaving and other forms of mixed media.

The piece I designed for the exhibit is titled, “Transitional Process”. I created it to recognize the stages of transition that we



each experience in our own way. So often in our fast-paced society, we are expected to embrace transitions quietly, quickly and without emotion. It is our nature to take time to feel the loss, struggle through the uncertainty and eventually accept the new

beginning. Each section of my quilt acknowledges a different stage in the “Transitional Process” and the personal growth that occurs along the journey.

I have been a Madrona resident for 25 years. My husband David and I raised our two children, Glenda (Rader) Warmoth and Marcus Rader here; they both graduated from St. Therese Elementary and Garfield High School. I am proud to be a member of a diverse and vibrant community. I plan to use the knowledge and experiences from my studies to create small works in my home studio. My goal is to develop a professional portfolio of art quilts that explore significant events in everyday life, honor important people from the past, and celebrate the common human experiences that unite us across our differences.

The *Fibermorgana* exhibit is showing at the University of Washington Tower, 4th Floor Mezzanine through June 30. For more information about the UW Extension Certificate Program in Fiber Arts, visit www.extension.washington.edu/ext/certificates/fbr/fbr_gen.asp.

Neighborhood School News

Shaping the New Student Assignment Plan

By Christina Williams, Madrona K-8 PTSA President

The Madrona K-8 PTSA has engaged the Seattle Public Schools School Board in discussion regarding the new student assignment plan. Because the rules and definitions are still under review, we are taking the opportunity to provide school board members our thoughts.

Under the new plan, schools are designated as “attendance area schools” or “option schools.” Option schools are described as schools that “offer a variety of approaches and instructional methods” and “provide a variety of programmatic opportunities for families looking for alternatives to their attendance area schools.” Seven of the ten Seattle K-8 schools are considered option schools in the proposed plan. We have requested that the school board consider all K-8s, and specifically Madrona K-8, as an option school.

Some of the reasons behind our request are as follows:

- We believe K-8s are a unique learning environment designed to provide continuity of care and education for students for a 9-year period. The continuum provides students and teachers with the ability to build upon a child’s academic progress.
- In the case of Madrona K-8, we will have an extended day model next year, with the school day running from 8:20am to 3:40pm. We developed the extended day model to offer enrichment, intervention, and community service without neglecting the basics. This model provides an additional 350 instructional hours to each student over the course of the school year.
- Neighborhood families can still choose Madrona K-8. Option schools will prioritize “students who live in a defined area in proximity to the school.” We want to continue to provide families with ties to the community an opportunity to choose to attend our school.
- Many families are specifically seeking the culture and curriculum that we provide. We want to be available and welcoming to those families, as well as to neighborhood families.

The new Student Assignment Plan is to be finalized on June 17.



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Neighborhood School News

Parting Thoughtful Thanks to St. Therese

This June, 23 8th graders said good bye to St. Therese School. Some students had been there since they were in Kindergarten, while others joined the class of 2009 somewhere along the line. As students reflect on their St Therese experience, they all leave with a mixture of excitement and sadness. Here are a few other thoughts from this year's graduates as they move on to various Seattle high schools.

"There is nothing, especially another school, that can compare to the love, fun, kindness and home that St Therese has been for me." *Elliot Allen, O'Dea HS*

"When I go to high school, I will miss the diversity and community of St Therese." *Eli Lao, O'Dea HS*

"I first came to St Therese when I was two days old. My brother Michael was in kindergarten. They played football in the street, the primary was downstairs, the upper field was grass with a great old tree in the corner. Madrona Market was Joe's and the people went to the library after school. That's the way things were and that's the way things still should be."

Daniel Gehlke, Bishop Blanchet HS

"The memories will follow me forever...St Therese is like a second home to me." *Azekiah Crawford, Bishop Blanchet HS*

"I have learned I must do well in school in order to move on to the next level." *Andre Love, O'Dea HS*

"All of the things I have learned, the friends I have made and all the people here will be with me in spirit through the rest of my journey." *Bryan Friedman, Kennedy HS*

"It has taught and inspired me to do things beyond my comfort zone." *Jackie Gunder, Holy Names Academy*

"We have a small student body. The good thing about this is that you know every body in the school and can build a relationship with everyone." *Alexis Hood, Garfield HS*

"Through all the drama and tears, we do get closer." *Jekelle Williams, Bishop Blanchet HS*

"The academics can be challenging and I thank all of my teachers for pushing me in this area." *Bryan Carter, O'Dea HS*

"My time at St Therese has been a roller coaster." *Skylyn West, Holy Names Academy*

Great Year Wraps Up at Madrona K-8

By Julie Hansen, 31st Avenue

The school year is winding down, but big things are happening at Madrona K-8. Students are still reading lots of books, writing letters in their writing unit, and solving challenging math problems. Additionally they are participating in many end-of-the-year field trips and activities. The Talent Show/Art and Writing Exhibition is coming up, as is our Sports Banquet and 8th Grade Graduation. We are so proud of all 47 of our graduating 8th graders!

The PTSA has been busy selling homemade goodies at the Friday Madrona Farmer's Market and helping with the recent neighborhood garage sale. We are also sponsoring an Ice Cream Social and a Come to Kindergarten event for our new families. We are adding many new exciting enrichment activities/electives into our schedule next year. New and returning Madrona K-8 families, mark your calendars for the annual Back to School BBQ on September 2. For now though, enjoy the summer!

Seeking Gardeners at Madrona K-8

By Rita Sheckler, 24th Avenue

Join us on June 28 from 9:00am to 1:00pm in the garden at Madrona K-8 for a "meet and weed" party. We'll be weeding and thinning, and maybe harvesting some vegetables. Refreshments will be provided and kids are encouraged to participate! This invitation is open to all—I'll have tools and gloves for at least 20 people. All you need to bring is your enthusiasm! This could be the first of several community gardening projects. Our students' goal is to grow food to donate to the group that puts on the Cooking for the Homeless events each month. Email me at Rita@5500rpm.com or visit madronapantherpartners.org for updates.

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It's Your Money: The Pain of "Cutting Losses"

By Barbara Banon, Edward Jones Investments

Why do stock prices fall? Basically, prices drop when more people want to *sell* stocks than *buy* them. Conversely, the more people buy a particular stock, the faster that stock's price will rise. While the process sounds fairly logical, the behavior of many investors is not.

To understand why so many investors have acted in a way that may be counterproductive, let's look at consumer behavior in another context. Suppose a hypothetical couple, Mike and Mary Ann Jones, bought a house five years ago for \$200,000. They still like everything about the house, and it is the right size to meet their family's needs for many years to come. However, the sharp decline in the housing market has caused Mike and Mary Ann such concern that they decide to sell their house, even though they can get only \$160,000 for it. By selling now, they reason, they can avoid further drops, and when the market stabilizes, they can buy another house in the same neighborhood. In essence, they were betting that the housing market, against all historical evidence, would not recover enough to compensate them for staying put.

Similarly, over the past year and a half, too many have sold investments—even quality investments—that still met their needs for growth, income, or a combination of both. And when they've sold these investments, they've taken losses—sometimes *big* losses. Just like Mike and Mary Ann, they thought they needed to sell immediately to avoid bigger setbacks later.

Don't make this mistake. You may someday need to sell, but do so for the right reasons: a change in your goals or life situation, a need to rebalance your portfolio, or a fundamental change in the companies in which you've invested. In the meantime, not only should you consider holding onto the investments that still meet your needs, but also you should consider *adding* investments while the price is so low, if this move is appropriate for your long-term financial goals.

Law for All:

Questioning Suze Orman's Living Trust Advice

By Lori Rath, Attorney

Lately more and more people have been asking me what I think about Suze Orman's estate planning advice. Ms. Orman recommends that everyone should have a Revocable Living Trust as their primary estate planning document because it allows you to avoid probate. According to Ms. Orman, probate (the Court process that oversees the administration of estates) is time-consuming, expensive, and should absolutely be avoided. But, at least for Washington residents, this view is misguided and overly simplistic.

Living Trusts have some serious drawbacks. A Trust-based estate plan usually costs considerably more at the outset because assets must be transferred to the Trust. Moreover, if your estate is distributed via a Living Trust, then the protections that probate offers are not available. Living Trusts can also require a lot of work to maintain. Many people do not maintain their Trusts properly and then a probate is required after all.

In Washington, a Will is usually more suitable than a Trust. This is true, in part, because Washington's probate system is relatively straightforward and affordable compared to other states, notably, California. Probate also offers a system for dealing with creditors' claims. In addition, if someone suspects that an estate's "Personal Representative" is guilty of wrongdoing, it is usually easier to bring a challenge within the probate process.

But a Trust is sometimes the better choice under certain circumstances. For example, a client with real property in two or more states may be better off with a Trust to avoid multiple probates. A Trust may also be preferable for an elderly or disabled person who needs help managing assets, or for people who have privacy concerns as probate is a public process.

Whether a Living Trust or a Will is right for you depends on many different factors. If you have any estate planning questions, contact me at 382-2573 or lori@rathlawmediation.com.

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Centennial Celebration in Leschi Park

By Diane Snell, Leschi Community Council

Imagine standing with your feet planted firmly in the year 2009 and taking on the task of planning an event that might have occurred 100 years ago...before your mother and father (or grandparents) were even born. It takes some imagination, an examination of history, and plenty of creative juices from the enthusiastic members of the newly formed Leschi Centennial Committee. This group and members of the Leschi Community Council are performing mental time travel to create a trip back in time to celebrate Leschi's 100th anniversary.

Originally a private park owed by the railway company that ran the cable car, Leschi Park was purchased by the City of Seattle in 1909. On hot summer weekends, an easy ride on the Yesler cable car brought families from "inner city" Seattle to Leschi Park on Lake Washington Boulevard. Early Seattleites enjoyed gathering on the cooler, quieter shores of Lake Washington to boat on the lake, visit Seattle's first zoo, and dance at a pavilion where Sarah Bernhardt performed.



Boat Landing Leschi Park

The Leschi Centennial Event will be held in that same Leschi Park, just south of the Leschi Market, on August 15 at 11:00am. The festivities kick off with a guided tree walk led by native plant guru Arthur Lee Jacobson. This special event is limited to 50 participants and pre-registration is requested by calling 726-0923. A temporary stage in the park will host speakers presenting the history of the lakefront, music of the era, and a vintage fashion show with the glamorous swimwear worn in 1909. Antique cars will be displayed toward the back of the park and Dragon Boat rides will be available on the lake. The Seattle Labor Chorus will perform a musical narrative on the labor history of the day and a display of photographs from 100 years ago will give denizens of 2009 a glimpse of an earlier time in Leschi Park when one could purchase a lemonade for a nickel or a milk shake for a dime.

It promises to be an informative and entertaining day. Cars were a rarity in 1909 so consider leaving yours at home and walking, biking or taking the 27 bus to the park, especially since parking is very limited. The Leschi Centennial Event is free, thanks to a grant from Seattle's Office of Arts & Cultural Affairs and the generosity of the Leschi residents and business community. If you would like to help, send your tax-deductible donation to LCC, PO Box 22391, Seattle WA, 98122-0391. Questions? Call me at 726-0923.

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Keeping Cool this Summer

One of the best ways to take full advantage of our precious summer weather is to get out in it! Swimming is a favorite summer pastime for everyone and as the temperature rises, Madrona residents shed their coats and hats and boots and flannel and start looking around for places to enjoy the water. Using public pools and beaches instead of personal pools or running through the sprinkler at home save a lot of water! Whether you prefer fresh water or something with a few chemicals in it to kills the cooties, you don't have to look far for a summer swimming hole.

Medgar Evers Pool (500 23rd Ave E). Public and family swim times are set aside for recreational swimming for swimmers of all ages. Children younger than 6 or under 48" in height must be directly supervised in the water by an adult who is within a distance of an arm's length. The fee for drop-in admission is: under 1 year free, kids (1-17) \$2.75, adults \$4, seniors (65+) \$2.75.

Public swim times are:

- Mondays-Fridays 1:30-2:30pm
- Mondays-Thursdays 4:00-5:00pm (shallow end only)
- Mondays & Wednesdays 7:00-8:00pm
- Fridays 4:00-5:30pm (shallow end only) & 6:30-8:00pm
- Saturdays 1:30-3:00pm

Family swim times in the shallow end only are:

- Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays Noon-1:00pm
- Saturdays 9:30-10:30am & 4:00-5:00pm

There is also a monthly Dive In Movie night. Enjoy swimming with all the lights out while watching a family-appropriate film! Admission is \$4 for adults and \$2.75 for youth. The box office opens at 6:15pm and show time is 6:30pm.

- July 24 Beverly Hills Chihuahua (rated PG)
- August 28 Bedtime Stories (rated PG)

You can also take swimming lessons or rent the pool for parties and special events! Call 684-4766 for more info,

Meredith Matthews East Madison YMCA (1700 23rd Avenue). Members can use the pool any time except when there are swimming lessons. Non-members pay a daily drop in fee of \$10 for adults, \$5 for youth and \$7 for teens. Family Swim is Saturdays and Sundays 1:05 - 3:00pm and Mondays and Wednesdays 4:00 - 5:25pm. Open Swim is Fridays 6:30 - 8:45pm. The entire facility will be closed from June 28 through July 5 for annual maintenance.

Seattle Parks & Rec Wading Pools. Wading pools are filled on sunny days when the temperature is forecast to be 70 or above. On most days, the pool will be half full but on the busiest days they will be filled to the top! This summer, only 14 of the 25 wading pools will be operating, due to the need for safety improvements. Local pools at Peppi's Playground and Powell Barnett Park will be closed, so Madrona waders will have to go to Volunteer Park, or Cal Anderson Park on Capital Hill. Bathing suit attire is required—no bare buns! Babies must wear tight plastic pants or diapers designed for swimming. Pool use is free and children under 10 must be supervised by a responsible adult. For info, call the Wading Pool hotline at 684-7796.

Seattle Parks & Rec Spray & Play Features. A few nearby parks offer large toys that shoot water for good clean fun. This is a great way for tweens and non-swimmers to enjoy some safe, silly water fun. Hours are 11:00am to 8:00pm at Pratt Park, 1800 S Main; Lower Judkins Park, 2150 S Norman; and Miller Park, 330 19th Ave E.

Lake Washington

Beaches. You can swim in Lake Washington any time but life guards are on duty during the summer. They will be on the job at Madison and Mt Baker beaches from June 20 through September 7, and at Madrona and Seward beaches from June 27 through September 7. Remember, dogs are not permitted in the wading pools or at swimming beaches.



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Madrona Cupcakes Take Over Capitol Hill

It all started right here in Madrona when Jody Hall opened Vérité Coffee and Cupcake Royale on the corner of 34th and Spring. And now, more than 5 years later, a full construction crew is finishing up her biggest, cupcake-iest location yet. Located at 11th Avenue and E Pike, the forthcoming Capitol Hill bakery is scheduled to open in late July, just in time to be the icing on the cake for the annual Capitol Hill Block party.

This is Hall's first design-build project, and she enlisted a dream team of artisans and architects. Sticking to her Madrona roots, she selected Domestic Architecture, which is lead by neighbor and customer Roy McMakin, to design the space. The conceptually designed cupcake café will feature a semi-private party area, a community table, and a bakery peep show with a window to expose back-of-the-bakery operations to the cupcake-obsessed customers.

The Capitol Hill bakery will be nearly three times the size of the current Cupcake Royale World Headquarters in Ballard. Its products will fill the pastry cases of the Madrona and West Seattle locations, as well spreading cupcake mania to local grocery partners such as Metropolitan Market. Ballard will continue to bake and serve its own cupcakes.

And while the new bakery has been in the works, so have some new cupcakes! Sue McCown, Seattle pastry chef extraordinaire (formerly Earth & Ocean, Coco la ti da) recently reformulated the chocolate and vanilla recipes. The sweet science behind these new "More Moisty-er!" cupcakes involves precision timing and a very specific ratio of butter to eggs for an all-natural, scratch-baked, ultra-moist masterpiece. "It's not easy to get a super moist product without resorting to unnatural ingredients like shortening

or partially-hydrogenated oils, and we weren't willing to compromise," Hall said. "Sue put her methodology to work and the result is the "more moisty-er" version."

Watch www.cupcakeroyale.com for the date of the Capitol Hill grand opening. In the meantime, stop by Café Verite and the original Cupcake Royale at 34th and Spring to try the new, "more moisty-er" cupcakes. Yum!

Garage Sale Tour a Hit!

By Janna Pekaar, 29th Avenue

Madrona Community Garage Sale Day was a huge success. There were thirty sales listed at homes on the official map, and many more sprung up around the neighborhood. The sale generated nearly \$500 for the Madrona Community Council and plenty more for the families of Madrona. Thanks to all who participated!

I want particularly to thank Rita Sheckler and her husband Eric. They helped organize the event with me and created our "sale map." They did a fantastic job. Next I want to thank all the volunteers who helped at the Madrona School with the sale, with putting up signs, and with cleanup afterward. This was truly a community event. Everyone said business was good and looked like they were having fun. Rita handled a garage sale fundraiser for Madrona School that had six separate table sales and did a brisk business. The table run by the PTSA sold many treasures, plants, and baked goods. A few local businesses even got into the mood and put out wares on the sidewalks in front of their shops.

I've received many positive comments, and there is interest in scheduling a similar event for next year. So start putting aside those garage sale items now!

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Summer Pleasures in Madrona Woods

By Judith Starbuck, Grand Avenue

We hope you enjoyed the lupine blooming exuberantly in the Madrona Park natural area in May. And maybe you caught sight of the little duckling family that inhabited the pond on Lake Washington for a while. With the arrival of summer, we're hoping to spot baby salmon, but we understand they may hang out mostly in the cove rather than in the stream and ponds. Those thousands of plants put in over the last couple of years are turning the landscape all along Madrona Creek to lush green. That fledgling stream continues to provide its special music whenever you get anywhere close. The center of Madrona Woods is a cool oasis where sunlight spotlights a fern, bright Indian Plum leaf, or fruiting thimbleberry. It's time to just stroll through and enjoy. If an enthusiastic guide would make it more fun, contact me and we'll set a time for you to have your very own tour.

We're going to invite the whole neighborhood to celebrate the completion of the stream daylighting in July. We hope to have someone there to tell us about what to expect of the salmon fry. Volunteers will be available to answer your questions about the process that brought the cove, ponds, and stream into existence and about where we go from here. If you'd like to be notified about the dates of this event, let me know and I'll put you on the list. Also, watch the kiosks and visit the website.

Thanks to Marianne Hanson for organizing and Lorraine Hoshide for hosting and staging an event dedicated to Madrona Woods at the Madrona Garage Sale. Along with Deirdre McCrary, they put in many hours to help us raise \$1,000 toward retiring our debt. If you'd like to help too, send checks made out to Friends of Madrona Woods to John Lahti at 1715-33rd Ave, 98122.

We've hired Restoration Logistics to do a minimum of maintenance along the stream corridors and in the natural area this summer. But volunteer help will also be needed. Contact Deirdre McCrary at deirdre_jaymccrary@msn.com if you'd like to join our team to water and weed this summer. She can also put you on our standing email list to be notified of activities and events throughout the year. We won't be holding regular work parties again until the fall.

For more information about involvement in the Madrona Woods and natural area contact me at judithstarbuck@msn.com or 322-2640, or visit www.madronawoods.org.



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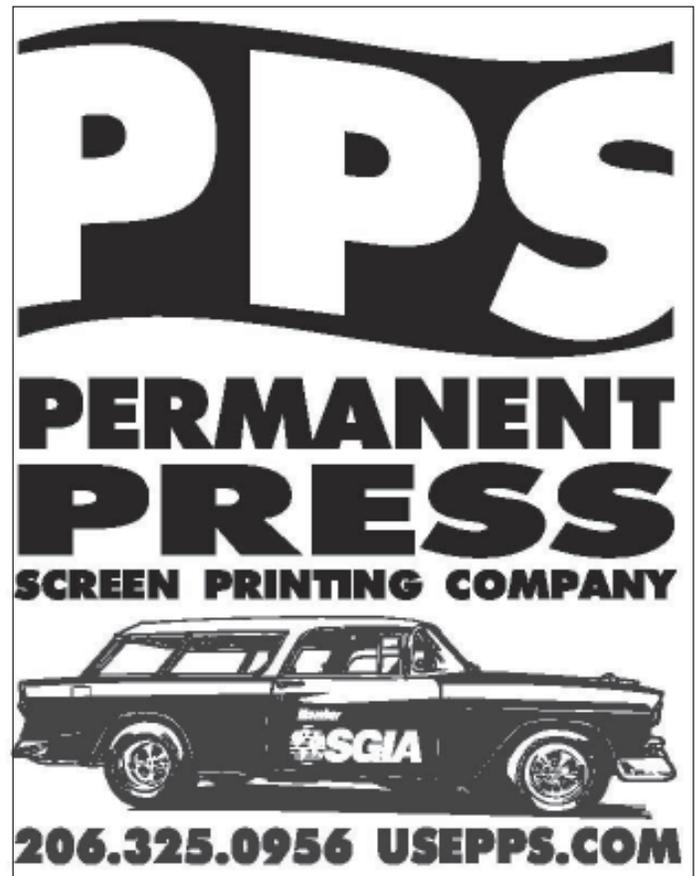
Pratt Fine Arts Center invites local artists to apply for scholarships for 2009-2010. These 30 merit- or financial need-based scholarships are offered in every visual arts discipline taught in Pratt's studios. Applications are reviewed by a panel of art professionals, and awards can be used toward classes and studio rental at Pratt. Emerging and established artists, artists of color, adult and teen artists, are all encouraged to apply for these scholarships.

"Thanks to the generous donations of local individuals, families, and organizations, we are able to offer 30 scholarships for artists at every level," said Tracey Fugami, Director of Education. "As an arts education and resource center, we are committed to making our classes available to everyone by offering scholarships, work study opportunities, and tuition assistance."

Last year, Pratt awarded \$35,650 in scholarships to 25 emerging and established artists. Scholarship applications for 2009-2010 are now available online and at Pratt Fine Arts Center. **Applications are due July 1, 2009 at 5:00pm.** Award recipients will be announced in August and scholarships are valid from September 1, 2009, through August 31, 2010.

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