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Wilridge Winery Takes Root with New Vineyard

By Paul Beveridge, Winemaker

Madrona’s Wilridge Winery is wrapping up another successful harvest, our 17th in Madrona. My wife Lysle Wilhelmi and I are pleased to report that an Indian summer in eastern Washington provided the grapes with long “hang time” to reach perfect ripeness and flavor, leading us to believe the 2007 vintage will be excellent. Of course, the white grapes grown and picked this year won’t be “drinkable” for a year and the reds not for three, so only time will tell for sure.



The new Wilridge property—and future vineyard oasis.

Besides a great harvest, the other Big News at Wilridge this year is our purchase of 85 acres of prime land near Yakima. In May we planted a new vineyard with twenty different grape varieties. The vines will be farmed organically and biodynamically.

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Madrona Gets Precocious

Precocious, the new toy store on the corner of 34th and Cherry, opened last month to a warm welcome from the Madrona neighborhood. Precocious offers a wide selection of high-quality toys, games, books, music and gifts for all ages. Owners Gavin and Monica Coulter, who live in the Lakewood/Seward Park neighborhood with their daughters, Ronnie and Hailey, are excited to join the Madrona community.

The motto for Precocious is: “Toys That Inspire Creativity” and Gavin and Monica take their motto—and their fun—very seriously. Toys include art supplies, finger puppets, hand puppets and marionette puppets, travel games for the jet-setting family, toy animal menagerie, baby dolls and rag dolls, books for kids and adults, and fast-paced games for the whole family. When asked about the latest toy recall, Gavin laughed and said, “We don’t sell anything we wouldn’t play with ourselves. All our toys are high quality and well

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MCC President’s Column

By Laura Yurdin, 32nd Avenue

The shelterhouse was full of community members for the November Madrona Community Council (MCC) meeting. Thanks to Boy Scout Troop 15 for attending! We hope that your reports go well and that you are all on your way to receiving your communications Merit Badge.

First off, a very large thank you to Karen Sampson Liu and Paige Smith for doing a great job with this year’s Disco Halloween Party. The shelterhouse was rockin’ and a groovy time was had by all! Our next community event—the last of 2007!—is December 16 when the Christmas Ships serenade Madrona Beach. We’d still love to find someone to lead a sing-along and help get Madrona in the holiday spirit; if you’re interested, contact Paige Smith at 329-3368

or paigeinmadrona@hotmail.com. More congratulations go out to Erica Sheenan of hitchcock for moving her classy jewelry boutique into new (and larger) digs, and to Gavin and Monica Coulter, owners of Madrona’s new toy store, Precocious.

Back to the MCC meeting... We had a full agenda and there was a lot of great conversation and new faces. The community was briefed about the development planned for the Goodwill site by the Dearborn Street Coalition for Livable Neighborhoods. A few months back, Darrell Vange the developer of the project and a Madrona resident, shared his plans for the mixed use site and it was

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Many Madrona neighbors have already visited and seen the property; Bob and Audrey Seale even declared it "spectacular" and "only two hours from Madrona!"

Now we are remodeling an old farmhouse on the property that will serve as a branch of our Wines of Washington Tasting Room. We are aiming to have everything completed and ready by Thanksgiving weekend. Our Grand Opening will be held in conjunction with the Thanksgiving in Wine Country festivities sponsored by the Yakima Valley Winegrowers Association — November 23, 24 and 25. All our Madrona neighbors are welcome to attend and enjoy a beautiful fall weekend of good food and great wine at our vineyard oasis on the Naches Heights, five minutes west of Yakima. For more information on the event, visit www.wineyakimavalley.org/

In October we held a release party at our winery on 34th Avenue to introduce our new wines, including our first Pinot Blanc from Cornerstone Vineyard and a Rosé of Syrah from Elephant Mountain



The first day of spring planting at the new vineyard included a bonfire and a blessing by Dee Rainbow.

Vineyard grapes. The party is the only time of year when the winery is open to the public, but if you missed it, remember that you can always try our wines by the glass in many Madrona restaurants, and purchase them by the bottle at the Madrona Homestyle Deli. You can also sample our wares at the Wines of Washington Tasting Room on Post Alley in Pike Place Market seven days a week. Our Pinot Blanc is especially delicious with fresh fish and veggies.

If you would like to receive notifications of special events such as the fall annual neighborhood wine release party, e-mail us at info@wilridgewinery.com. We'll gladly add you to the email list for Wilridge Winery and the Tasting Room. Thanks for your support, Madrona!

Coldwell Leslie Lucas
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Precocious.. (cont'd from page 1)

made." Precocious is the perfect place to find a unique gift for any age, or to treat yourself to an indulgence, like a flying monkey that shrieks when you launch it sling-shot style through the air, or a party CD in a decorative tin.

"We want to provide a fun, neighborhood alternative to chain stores," said Monica while she wrapped a birthday gift in bright green paper and tied it with multi-colored ribbons. "We hope to be a destination toy store that both children and adults enjoy."

If you have a favorite game or toy that you would like to see at Precocious, Gavin and Monica are eager to hear about it. You can submit toy recommendations and reviews to the Precocious website, www.precocious toys.com. While you're there you can find out about new products, read peer and industry reviews, sign up for the monthly Precocious newsletter, join the birthday club, and learn about special events.

Store hours are Tuesday through Thursday 10-7, Friday, 10-8, Saturday 9-6, and Sunday 10-6. Our phone number is 322-9396 and we are closed on Mondays. Join us December 6 for Family Game Night at 7:00pm. Players five and up will have a great time.

MCC President's (cont'd from page 1)

helpful to get another perspective of the pros and cons of the project. A recap of the presentation is included here on page 14.

It was Election Day everywhere, including at Madrona, where the 2008 slate of MCC officers was voted in. Thanks to Cynthia Stross of 35th Avenue who is the new MCC Secretary! She will work with returning officers Laura Yurdin, President; Rick Kolpa, VP of Issues; Paige Smith, VP of Events; and Steve Orser, Treasurer.

There is still no update from the city on our request of a parking study. Marty Leibowitz, designer and owner of the Bowling Green building, announced that his company will be initiating a feasibility study to develop the empty lot at MLK & E. Union, across from Grocery Outlet. Marty will share his plan for that space at our December 4 MCC meeting.

We would like all MCC meetings to be interesting and meaningful. If you'd like to learn about or discuss a specific community topic, such as the car break in experienced by the James Family of 37th Avenue, feel free to reach out to us. The MCC meets the first Tuesday of the month at 7:15 in the shelterhouse at the Madrona Playfield. We hope to see you at our next meeting on December 4. We'll have the fire roaring and ready for you!


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Of Flowing Water and Angels

By Judith Starbuck, Grand Avenue

The lower portion of the Madrona Park Creek will be flowing into the lake when you read this. And there is a bridge for you to walk on when the trail is opened, thanks to the extraordinary generosity of Joseph McKinstry Construction. This Beacon Hill company donated the labor and remaining materials needed to complete that first bridge near the cove.

And thanks to a fantastic Seattle University group that came October 13, nearly all of our 4000-plant order is now in the ground east of Lake Washington Boulevard. Pacific Earth Works put the culvert under the Boulevard in late October and finished the remaining pond and stream preparation so the stream could be let loose at the Spring Street entrance the middle of November. We're still hoping to add the remaining two-thirds to the flow of the stream when we do the upper portion of the daylighting in 2008, assuming we raise the rest of the necessary funds.

You may have noticed the main trail is closed at Spring Street until the bridge there is constructed. Our volunteers will be taking the lead on that bridge, with support from the McKinstry company, and we're looking for more money to complete it. Thanks for putting up with the inconvenience of the closures of Lake Washington Boulevard, the sidewalk and the Spring Street trail. We'll take down the unsightly construction fence as soon after the first of the year as we feel the plants have gotten a good start and the trail and railing are finished, probably by the end of February.

We expect to hold work parties on the first and third Saturdays of the month throughout the winter, although the December 15 event may be cancelled. Come out for a few hours to be part of this community effort. Signs with work party info are posted in the kiosks, at the lakefront, and on our website. To receive email notifications, contact Deirdre McCrary at deirdre_jaymccrary@msn.com.

Special thanks to Tom Kushner for throwing a party to familiarize neighbors with the project and raise some much-needed money. If you want to help out—or help out more— financially, send donations to Joan Scott, 3700 East Marion St., 98122. For more information, contact me, judithstarbuck@msn.com or 322-2640 or visit www.madronawoods.org.

CoRRRECTIONS

The October *Madrona News* was supposed to have included an envelope to mail in contributions to support the Madrona Blossoms Project. The donation envelope was accidentally left out and so is included in this issue.

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East Cherry YWCA Meets Community Needs

By Ailey Kaiser, YWCA of Seattle Community Affairs

Since the early 20th century, the East Cherry YWCA, located at Cherry and 28th Avenue, has been a hub of service, support and community. When it was illegal for groups of African-Americans to meet outside of church, it offered a safe gathering place.

Today, East Cherry YWCA continues to function as a center for community and family, as well as a central location for culturally-specific YWCA programs. Primary services include 140 housing units where families may stay from six months to two years, with wrap-around and one-on-one services provided by case managers. In addition, children, teens and adult women affected by domestic violence can connect on-site with specialized support services.

Patricia Hayden, senior director for Children, Youth & Family Services said, "We have recently added a home visit component to our Domestic Violence services. Case managers go into homes and work with kids through play therapy and conversation. We talk with families about how domestic violence impacts their children."

This holiday season, the Madrona community can support East Cherry YWCA by participating in the YWCA's Adopt-a-Family program. Gifts of toys, clothes, and money or grocery store gift certificates all benefit families living in YWCA housing and must be delivered to the YWCA by December 8.

YWCA's teen education and peer advocacy program teaches high school-aged youth how to identify and advocate for the elimination of violence. According to Hayden, "Peer advocates are trained and paid to provide guidance on resolving conflicts and educating peers on alternatives to violence."

On-site support groups for African-American women provide a key outlet for survivors of domestic violence. Hayden said, "Women that utilize our services are looking to find a community within their community. By connecting with one another, women rebuild the bond that is destroyed by the isolation of domestic violence." Often, this safe environment empowers women to take the next positive step such as going back to school or finding a job.

East Cherry YWCA is a progressive and changing site. Since inception, it has been associated with hope, safety, fairness and cultural relevance. As the surrounding community becomes more ethnically and economically diverse, East Cherry YWCA will continue to meet its needs. Moving into the future, Hayden said, "We will support social justice, anti-racism and anti-oppression for every person. And we hope that we may have long arms, so the entire community is positively impacted." To adopt a family, make a donation or get more information, visit www.ywcaworks.org or contact Adelina Vallejo at avallejo@ywcaworks.org, 461-3214

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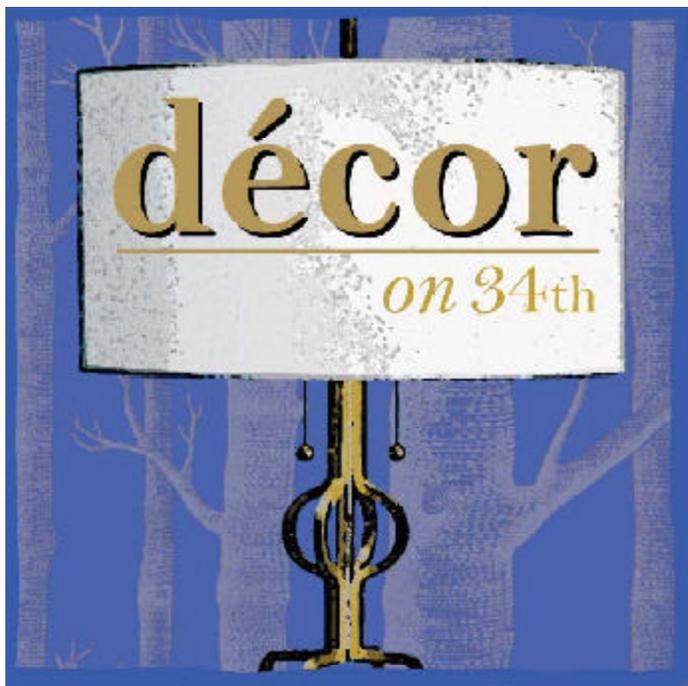
Madrona Halloween Disco Rocks!

It was great to see all the neighbors that turned out for the annual Halloween Party at the shelterhouse! Thanks to Karen Sampson Liu, Paige Smith, Farida Dowler and a few other volunteers, Madrona enjoyed a new twist to this event, a Halloween Disco. Over 100 kids and adults showed up in costume to dance the night away. They also enjoyed hot cider and donuts, and making scary spiders out of Oreo cookies. Creepy AND delicious!

Everyone who is anyone got their picture taken with the Famous Madrona Scarecrow. Thanks to Eric Liu, Karen's husband, for engineering Mr. Scarecrow a new stand



so he now has strong legs and a new head, complete with face lift. He was quite a hit and the kids had a ball using stamps to decorate paper covers for their photos with him. Thanks to the Madrona Community Council for sponsoring this event, and to everyone who brought their children to this fun neighborhood mixer. Hope to see you all again next year...or before at one of the many other Madrona neighborhood community events.



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Remember When.... Coming Back Home to Madrona

By John Gladney III, 34th Avenue

My wife Nguyet, our 2-year-old daughter and I came back to Madrona last year after pursuing our careers in Portland for over 7 years. We decided to move back when my mom considered selling her home as she could not afford the rising property taxes. The 1920s house has been under the Gladney name since it was first built and we wanted to keep it as a place for our daughter to grow up in. So we decided to purchase the house and restore it to its natural beauty, while adding on some modern amenities.

Seattle is a city that has seen many changes since 1920 and so has my family home. Madrona has experienced the worst and the best of times but somehow has always managed to maintain a positive neighborhood feel, and I will always consider this my home. I remember going to Madrona Mayfair back when I was a kid. It was one event you could not miss because Ms. Smith made her famous apple pies and my dad, who was a chef, made the best BBQ. People still talk about his BBQ chicken and ribs to this day.

Our house at 34th and James carries a great deal of history and memories, also and has been through some major changes. Let's start with the basement. It was originally a garage but in the 1940s, my grandfather John Gladney Sr. converted it into a barber shop. All the men in the neighborhood came to get their hair cut there on Friday evenings so they would look good for the ladies—of course for church on Sunday. Growing up, my cousin and I hated having Grandpa cut our hair. In fact, one day I took off running down James Street when it was my turn in the chair. But Grandpa, even at 65 years old, was faster than I was. He snuck behind the bushes and grabbed me from the side screaming, "Boy! Get on in here and get that hair cut! I can't have you running around town with a "nappy" head!" When me and my cousin Chris Bennett nervously lined up, we'd always ask for a fade or a flat top or even a shag, whatever was the newest trend. But it never mattered because Grandpa always gave us the same even cut clean hair style. Getting a hair cut by Grandpa was an experience that we were amazed that people actually paid him to cut their hair.

My dad, John Gladney Jr., then took the basement and converted it into his photography studio. We never took any professional photos growing up as my dad insisted that he could do a better job. He not only did weddings and parties, he was also the photographer for Garfield School and did lots of family/generational photos for people in Madrona. Later on, in the 1980s the basement became a recreation room for us kids and our visitors.

During the remodel of our house, these memories came back to me as we converted the basement into a very charming mother-in-law suite for my mom. She appreciates that we kept the house in the family, as there are MANY memories here for her. She also is grateful that she can live close enough to us to feel safe, yet have her own space and keep her privacy.

As part of the remodel, we kept the commercial kitchen range that was my father's pride and joy. My dad would roll over in his grave if he knew that I was sharing this with all of you, but back in his "pre-chef" teenage days he once accidentally caught the house on fire. It happened when his dad put him in charge of frying some chicken while he went fishing for the day. The story even made the front page of *The Seattle Times*. Thank goodness for the Madrona Fire Station! To this day, our family is surprised that he eventually became a renowned chef at FX McRory's Restaurant. We think that he would like how we've opened up the wall between the kitchen and the dining room to make it easier for entertainment. The Gladneys love to cook and entertain and we'll carry on that tradition.

The remodel has been a major challenge. As we started fixing one thing, we found 10 others that needed to be done. We went through four levels of flooring and many layers of flowered wall paper, hot pink paint and so on. The old spool and knob electricity needed to be replaced and many of the plaster and lathe walls needed fixing. We even found an old antique mirror and a guitar in the walls. Needless to say, the expenses kept rising and at times we questioned whether this was the right decision.

Now, we know we made the right choice. The remodel is nearly complete and we love the "new" house. It preserves our family history and allows our daughter to ride her tricycle to Mayfair for the neighborhood parade and a pony ride at the Madrona Playfield. It's comforting to walk with her to the Halloween party at shelterhouse, and live in a neighborhood with a strong community feel. Now Madrona is the place we all call home.

Do you have Madrona history to share? Submit your story to the Madrona News at kdh5027@aol.com

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Play Madrona Mutt Match-up

By Helen Payton, 34th 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 12.



Pucci, Chico & Diable
Age: 6, 6 & 7 years
Pedigree: Chihuahuas



Trygg
Age: 4 years
Pedigree: lab, shepherd, husky blend



Finn
Age: 4 years
Pedigree: Cocker



Nancy
Lived in Madrona: 1 year



Heather
Lived in Madrona: 2 years



Keely & Jen
Lived in Madrona: 4 years

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Coleman School Evolves into Museum & Housing

By Kendra Jeffery, NAAM

The Northwest African American Museum (NAAM) has endured a long but exciting journey and is slated for a Grand Opening in March 2008. This community-gathering place on 23rd Avenue in the old Coleman School will provide people from throughout the northwest with the opportunity to experience local African American history, art, and culture through exhibits, lectures, and performances. The region's earliest Black pioneers arrived in the 1840s and they, along with recent local immigrants from Africa who also came seeking opportunity, have a unique story to tell.

The construction of NAAM, now in its last phase, is truly transformative. Those who toured the building during the Groundbreaking Ceremony in June of 2006 will remember the dimly lit water sodden hallways filled with debris. Today you will see the freshly laid concrete walkway leading up to the grand entryway of the Museum. Inside you will find clearly defined spaces for the galleries, multi-media learning center and classrooms. It took great imagination and faith to believe that spaces we could have only imagined a year and a half ago are now real and nearly completed.

Next spring, NAAM will open its doors with exhibitions in The Journey Gallery and The Northwest Gallery. The Journey Gallery will host a permanent exhibit that provides visitors a visually rich narrative starting in the present and working back through time to the 1790's where we discover the first evidence of African Americans arriving by ship with the Spanish American maritime exploration. The Northwest Gallery will feature as its inaugural exhibition Jacob Lawrence and James W. Washington Jr.: *Making a Life, Creating a World*. Above the museum, the two floors of affordable housing rental units are planned to address the goal of the Urban League of Metropolitan Seattle to offer high quality, affordable housing for artists, historians, teachers, and others who would be attracted by the activities of the NAAM.

For more information about the NAAM or to make a donation, visit www.naamnw.org or email info@naamnw.org. Questions regarding the housing space that will occupy the upper floors of the building should be directed to the Urban League of Metropolitan Seattle at www.urbanleague.org

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Conrow Studio Opens for Holiday Show

Ginny Conrow's porcelain studio will be open for two weekends this holiday season: November 30 to December 2, and December 8 and 9. Ginny invites the neighborhood to see her entire studio transformed into a gallery, highlighting not only Conrow's nationally acclaimed crystalline porcelain work, but Susan M. Goodwin's superbly crafted gold and semi-precious stone jewelry and Kate Beck's prize-winning silk shibori scarves and accessories. Australian potter Barbi Lock Lee, who works at Conrow's studio during her Seattle visits, has left behind a small collection of her colorful pieces, decorated with her signature Australian birds. And Kathy Ackerman's tapestry purses and bags add color and texture to the mix. If you've only ever looked into the small store front, you won't believe how big the studio space is and how many treasures it holds

Conrow continues to develop new glaze colors...and forms that showcase the crystalline patterns. Her work appeared in two new books this year and the international exhibition, *Krystallos*, used one of her envelope vase forms to announce the show in *American Style Magazine*.

Guitarist Eric Jones will entertain during the November 30 Friday Night Artists' Reception and opening gala from 4:00 to 9:00pm. Then the sale continues the following two weekends from 10:00am to 5:00pm. Come to Conrow Porcelain at 1429 34th Avenue and enjoy the art spaces and the artists who live and work in your neighborhood! Questions? Call Ginny at 324-0734

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Holiday Shopping Night Out

On the evening of November 30th, shops in the Madrona neighborhood of Seattle will keep their doors open to the public well into the evening. Wintergreen boughs sparkling with lights will mark the entrances to each shop, with wine and appetizers offered at many. **Ginny Conrow's** porcelain gallery is a great place to start as she has put together her annual holiday show including work from Kate Beck and Susan Goodwin. Make your way down the block to **Next!dÉcor** offering essential gifts for the home. Across 34th Street **hitchcock** is in a brand new space, displaying sophisticated jewelry and accessories. Around the corner visit **glassybaby** for artfully crafted glass votives hand-blown on site. Cross Union, walking towards Spring Street to find **JayWalk** offering work from local artisans mixed with vintage and antique finds. Up Spring Street hit **Juniper** for savvy clothing and accessories, then skip up three steps to **Two Owls** Children's Boutique specializing in wood and soft toys, books, crafts, and organic cotton clothing. Down at the corner of 34th and Cherry you'll find **Precocious** has toys for kids of all ages. Make your holiday shopping a grand experience in our hospitable neighborhood by topping it off with dinner at any of our great restaurants (reservations recommended).

We in Madrona are so lucky to have our own growing business district. Please support them this holiday season and on into 2008. The owners give back to the neighborhood in many ways and this is one way to show how much we appreciate them locating their shops here for us.

Madrona Toys for Tots Drive

For the fourth year in a row, Barbara Banon, the local Edward Jones investment representative, is supporting the U.S. Marine Corp Toys for Tots program, and using her office in the Bowling Green building as a drop off location for donations. Madrona residents are encouraged to help needy children by delivering new, unwrapped toys any time during regular business hours beginning November 26.

"With the holiday season around the corner, we are all getting ready for the festivities," says Barbara. "As this is the season of giving, now is a great time to remember the less fortunate in our community."

Edward Jones is headquartered in St. Louis. The Edward Jones interactive Web site is located at www.edwardjones.com, and its recruiting Web site is www.edwardjonesopportunity.com

Edward Jones offers clients a variety of investments, and investment advice. Visit Barbara at 3304 E. Spring Street or call 323-0440.

Christmas Ships Visit Madrona Beach
December 16 from 6:40 to 7:00pm

Enjoy a blazing bonfire and mingle with friends
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hitchcock Reappears Uptown

By Casey and Erica Sheehan

hitchcock, our once tiny Madrona jewelry store, has relocated to a new home two blocks north on 34th Avenue in the storefront formerly occupied by decor on 34th. Large enough to hold double the merchandise, hitchcock Madrona has decided to specialize in what it has become known for – jewelry. Specifically, hitchcock caters to customers interested in unique, one-of-a-kind, handmade items. Currently, hitchcock is featuring work by Seattle artists Regina Chang, Yen Jewelry, and Pachari Wireworks. hitchcock is also proud to carry internationally recognized artists such as, Subversive Jewelry, IOSELLIANI and Colette Malouf.

hitchcock has also launched a virtual jewelry boutique at www.shophitchcock.com. Each piece is photographed with product information such as designer and materials. The website is a great way to check out our one-of-a-kind products. And if you see something you like, don't wait because each is unique and once it's gone it's gone!

hitchcock has also developed a proprietary jewelry line made up of pieces constructed out of vintage jewelry parts. The inspiration is derived from the owners' travels crisscrossing the western United States. Custom pieces can also be commissioned or created from personal heirlooms. A grandfather's watch or a grandmother's locket can be made into a necklace or bracelet that you will actually wear and enjoy.

hitchcock Madrona is open Tuesday through Saturday 10:00 am – 6:00 pm and Sunday 10:00 am – 5:00 pm. Starting December 1st hitchcock Madrona will be open every day until 6:00 pm.

hitchcock Madrona loves to show off the latest treasures from our favorite designers at special events. Upcoming events include: Regina Chang Trunk Show, November 29 from 5:00 to 7:00pm and Xenia Mara Trunk Show, December 9 from 3:00 to 5:00pm. Come have a look and visit the new location at 1406 34th Avenue. Happy Holidays Madrona!

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Shirey Handyman
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Stewardship is Like Dusting!

By Linda Hanson, Madrona Drive

Stewardship in our community open spaces is like household dusting – no matter how much you do, there is always more to be done!

In October, the Friends of the Ravine in Madrona (FORM) celebrated completion of a successful stewardship year with a fall planting event in the ravine adjacent to Madrona Drive. For the 2007 season, FORM participated in six community stewardship events, partnered with EarthCorps crews for a training/work day and coordinated an event with students, parents and teachers from The Bush School.

We have had excellent community support as well as significant individual efforts, and have accomplished a lot – but like dusting there is more to be done but for now we'll take a break and wait for warmer weather. Special thanks to all FORM participants. I hope to see you all again next spring!



2007 Madrona Neighborhood Events

Thanks to Marie Doyle and her team of spider monkeys for adorning downtown Madrona with winter-greens!

- Jan** Ecumenical Martin Luther King Celebration—*Jan 14*
Epiphany Parish
- Feb/** Neighbor Appreciation Day—*March 24*
- Mar** Mark Melroy
- April** Community Garage Sale—*April 28*
Kim Herber
- May** Madrona Blossoms Flower Baskets—*May 15*
Marie Doyle
Mayfair Parade & Carnival—*May 19*
Paige Smith
- July/** Madrona BBQ Festival—*July 21*
- Aug** Jason Malone & Jon Hughes
- Sept** Neighborhood Cleanup Day—*September 9*
Didi Burpee
- Oct** Kids' Halloween Party—October 31
Karen Sampson Liu 323-0630
- Nov** Madrona Community Council Officer Election—Nov 6
Laura Yurdin 320-8693
Winter Greens & Holiday Lights—Nov 17
Marie Doyle 323-6128
- Dec** Christmas Ships & Bonfire
at Madrona Beach—Dec 16
Seeking volunteers

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To get involved, contact event coordinators or Madrona Community Council VP of Events Paige Smith at 329-3368 or paigeinmadrona@hotmail.com

Neighborhood School News

Epiphany School: A Madrona Landmark

By Bethany Furubayashi, Epiphany School

For 50 years, Epiphany School has been educating young children, giving them a solid academic foundation while instilling values of respect, responsibility, and resourcefulness. Originally founded to offer Parish children religious-based instruction, Epiphany School has been its own entity distinct from the Church since 1968. Today's Epiphany School is an independent, pre-K through 5th grade school that serves 196 students, drawing from Madrona and its surrounding neighborhoods.

At its core, the Epiphany School experience is about challenging and caring for children. An Epiphany education provides students with strong academic skills, a love of learning, community participation, as well as a sense of personal responsibility. High expectations and small classes allow for individual attention, which fosters intellectual development and self-confidence.



First Graders Peyton Goodwin and Hailey Gray enjoy Epiphany School's annual Ice Cream Social.

Epiphany School students develop physical and social skills, along with awareness and empathy for others.

Epiphany provides an atmosphere in which successes are recognized, good manners are fostered, and responsible behavior is valued and reinforced. By nurturing, encouraging, challenging, and setting goals as well as limits, teachers help students to maintain balance and a sense of purpose. The Epiphany program provides ample structure, but creativity, flexibility, and innovation are also very much in evidence.

On November 28 from 7:00-9:00pm, parents of prospective students are invited to visit Epiphany School's Open House. Hear from Head of School George Edwards and the faculty, listen as current and past students share their experiences, and enjoy a tour. Epiphany School is located at 3710 East Howell Street. For more information, visit www.epiphanyschool.org or call Director of Admission Anne Sarewitz at 720-7663.

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Madrona K-8 is in the Groove

By Jon Hughes, Madrona K-8 PTSA

Wow, two months into the school year and things are really settling in for Madrona K-8 teachers, students, and families. It's been a fun and exciting school year so far, with the Madrona Panther Partners (PTSA) focusing much of its time and energy on community building and school events such as our recent Book/Literacy Night book exchange.

At Curriculum Night this year the parents were offered an insight into the wonderful new writer's workshop sponsored by Columbia University that has all students, kindergarten through 8th grade publishing rich and detailed stories. Madrona's Writing Workshop Leadership Team has been working hard to implement this great program and the students are publishing their writing on a monthly basis inside the school. Next time you're in the building, check out their great work. A lot of the writing tugs at your heart and tells some wonderful stories about our children, our community, and our society.

The next PTSA meeting will be more of an event, with student performances from the schools Brazilian Dance group and the Madrona Girl Scout troops. A Harvest Feast will follow the student performances! Students are also working hard on their dancing, singing, and other talents for the big Winter Performance in December. The after school programs are also keeping the kids busy: ceramic arts, Brazillian dance, Team Read, Health & Walking, Sports Conditioning, Drill Team, Life Skills, and Achievers Club.

Basketball tryouts began this month and we look forward to a fun year for our boys and girls basketball teams. The Ultimate Frisbee team ended a great season, and although they did not repeat as City champions, they performed well and had a great time. The girls volleyball team is also digging into another season!

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Law for All: Trust or a Will—Which is Best For You?

By Lori Rath, Rath Law & Mediation

In my estate planning practice, I often meet people who think that “probate,” the court process that oversees the administration of a deceased person’s estate, is problematic and should be avoided. Therefore, many believe that a Revocable Living Trust is a better estate planning document than a Will because the Trust avoids probate. But, at least for Washington residents, this view is misguided and overly simplistic.

If a Washington resident dies either with a Will or without a Will (“intestate”), his/her estate will likely need to go through probate, especially if real property is involved. One way to avoid probate is to have a Revocable Living Trust instead of a Will. If the Revocable Living Trust is drafted properly and fully funded (i.e., the Trust must acquire ownership of most or all of the assets), probate will probably not be necessary. However, Revocable Living Trusts do have their drawbacks. For example, a Trust-based estate plan usually costs more at the outset because assets must be transferred for the Trust to be effective. Moreover, if an estate is distributed via a Trust —without probate—then certain protections that probate offers are not available.

In Washington, a Will is often 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 paying and obtaining closure on creditors’ claims. In addition, if someone suspects the person handling the estate’s administration (the “Personal Representative” or “Executor”) of wrongdoing, it is usually easier to challenge that person’s actions within the probate process.

For Washington residents, the message here is not that the Will is always superior; in fact, a Trust is sometimes the more appropriate planning tool. So which should you use? The answer is: “it depends.” For example, someone with real property in two or more states may be better off with a Trust to avoid probate in multiple states. A Trust may also be preferable for elderly or disabled folks who want help managing their assets, or for people who are seriously concerned about privacy as probate is a public process.

If you have questions about which document is best for you, or about estate planning in general, contact me at at my Madrona office, 219-1402 or lori@rathlawmediation.com.

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Eastern Treatments for the Common Cold

By Haydn Engelke MSA LAc. , MLK & Union

My name is Haydn Engelke and I live on Martin Luther King and E. Union Street with my partner Alice and our two dogs Emmy Lou and Daisy Mae. I’m originally from Santa Fe, NM and have lived in the neighborhood since 2005 . Professionally, I am a graduate of Bastyr University with a MS in Acupuncture. I am also National Board Certified in Acupuncture, a graduate of the Brenneke School of Massage, and have a private Chinese medical practice in Madison Valley. In my practice, I specialize in the treatment of: injury/pain, headaches, gynecology, menopause, digestion, insomnia, anxiety, stress and fatigue. I believe education is a key component to good health, and so would like to share some traditional Chinese therapies to aid recovery from cold or flu symptoms.

As we are out-and-about in Madrona, raking leaves, walking dogs, and playing on the play ground, we face the colder, damper weather of fall. Traditional Chinese medicine offers time-honored wisdom to stay healthy through the winter months. Chinese medicine is oriented towards preventing disease and says it is important to build up our immune system before the cold and flu season begins. Chinese medicinal herbs that boost the immune system include various Asian mushrooms such as shiitake, reishi, maitake, and foods like pears and apples strengthen the lungs.

The Chinese believe that pathogens enter the body through the pores and air passages, which are thought to be an “open window” to the external environment. The all-too-familiar neck, shoulder, and body aches are usually the first indication that something has crossed the threshold of our body’s immune defenses. The fever and chills that follow signal a battle to try to rid the body of the invading organism. The resulting sweating and coughing is the body’s way of pushing the pathogen back out through the very pores and air passages by which it entered.

Working with your Chinese medical practitioner can help you navigate the stormy weather of the winter flu season. At the onset of cold or flu symptoms, try a hot bath, hot tea and a hot soup made from scallions and miso, a fermented soy paste available in health food stores. Wrap up in blankets or towels to prompt the body to sweat, and keep the head, neck, and shoulders covered to avoid drafts. Consider staying in bed to rest rather than slogging through your normal schedule at half strength. Although surprising to many people, it is recommended that you avoid vitamin supplements for a few days so that you do not nourish the pathogen. If possible, prepare your own meals at home, minimizing your exposure to other pathogens.

In addition to making these simple suggestions, a practitioner of Chinese medicine can reduce your recovery time by prescribing combinations of herbs and foods to fight your specific type of virus, and by using acupuncture to restore balance to the body’s systems. Acupuncture is especially helpful for those who have a propensity toward asthma, bronchitis, or pulmonary disease. If you have questions about these or other traditional Chinese treatments, contact me at Eastern Elements Acupuncture and Massage, 229-5084 or www.Eastern-Elements.com

Development at MLK & Union Under Study

By Marty Liebowitz, 39th Avenue

Our company, The Madrona Company, is starting a feasibility study to develop the property on the south-west corner of MLK and E. Union, across from Grocery Outlet. If our study appears positive, then we most likely will break ground in 12 to 18 months, with completion in about 36 months. We are looking at several different site configurations, and at a variety of uses. The property is zoned for both commercial and residential, which means it could include retail, offices, apartments, and/or a hotel, with a maximum permitted height of 40 feet.

At the December 4 Madrona Community Council (MCC) meeting, we'd like to get input regarding potential uses, as well as any concerns people from the neighborhood may have. At this starting point we have no hard designs and a variety of ideas; we'd like to broaden these with input from neighbors during this initial phase.

Current retail ideas include a pizza place, vegetarian café, burger place, small vendor carts or spaces, offices, a performance space/ yoga studio/art gallery, and sound-isolated musician practice rooms.

Residential ideas include apartments of varying sizes with a diverse group of occupants, possibly some artist lofts, townhouses, and possibly an area set aside as a small residential hotel, to house parents and friends of local residents, as well as others, visiting the city. While this location is not downtown, it is adjacent to several downtown bus routes, and walking distance to Madrona.

So, please come to the MCC meeting, be heard, and help us develop a project that addresses the needs of the neighborhood.

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527 28th Ave	3	1	1530	378,000
830 31st Ave	3	2		399,900
1426 25th #A	3	2.5	1700	448,000
820 MLK Way	3	3	1710	490,000
3510 E Spruce	3	2.5		612,777
910 24th Ave	3	2	2380	689,000
3114 E Pine #C	3	2.5	1780	700,000
724 33rd Ave	4	1.5	2340	822,000
318 Erie Ave	3	2	1440	990,000
620 36th Ave	4	3	3020	1,031,500
3404 E Yesler W	4	2.75	3800	1,500,000
926 Lakeside Av	3	3	2980	2,300,000

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Local Kids Perform with Spectrum

On December 1 at 7:00pm, Spectrum Dance Theater and Seattle Theatre Group present Expressions of African Dance at Kane Hall. The performance is directed by Lora Chiorah-Dye and features Sukutai Music and Dance Company, The Ethiopian Dance Group, and students from Denny Middle School and Seattle Girls School.

This evening is the culmination of an 8-week after-school African Dance residency in these two schools. As part of Spectrum's Outreach and Educational Program, students attended two 1.5 hour classes each week, learning traditional dances, storytelling and song from the Shona People of Zimbabwe. Pairing two schools with varied demographics together for a dance residency has been Spectrum's long-time vision because it brings students from different backgrounds together, encouraging the acceptance of each others' differences and the richness of different cultures.

The classes were taught by world class dancer, Lora Chiorah-Dye. A native of Zimbabwe, she has been an artist-in-residence with the Washington State Arts in Education Program for the past 30 years. Her work has captivated audiences with her cultural presentations in song, storytelling, music and dance from her native culture, the Shona People. She has been instrumental in the development of the Pacific Northwest African cultural scene and is Artistic Director for Sukutai Music and Dance Company. Ms. Chiorah-Dye and her group Sukutai have toured all over North American and Europe.

Tickets are \$8 for students and seniors and \$12 for adults. Tickets can be purchased at Spectrum Dance Theater by calling 325-4161 or in person at the Madrona Dance Studio at 800 Lake Washington Blvd.

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Dance Company Features Madrona Fav

By Leone Fogle-Hechler

"Rooted," a program of six dances presented by Weaving Dance company, was performed November 2 and 3 at Velocity Main Space Theater on Capitol Hill. The evening of dances presented by artistic directors Karen Geenay Brown (of our own St. Clouds restaurant), Andrea Burchak and Amy Weaver— all recent graduates of the Cornish College — offered a rare chance to see early career work of four choreographers with unique voices and talent.

The company's dancers performed the six eclectic pieces with modulated grace, uncovering their underlying structure that often revealed nature as a theme. Andrea Burchak cleverly broke with tradition by "Uprooting" us. Using film montage, edited by Riley Raker, she appeared as a wood nymph rooted to a tree stump in a watery glen, until she reached past the stump into the 'water'— and exposed the whole sequence as a fake, a studio-filmed piece. "Observations of Nature," choreographed by Karen Brown, is a formal, meditative piece, and evoked the clarity of line and beauty in a Japanese garden with the dancers, seemingly interconnected though spatially disconnected.

"In Tribute," Amy Weaver uncovered her dancers' ability to dance as though 'speaking in tongues.' "Orchid Tease," by guest choreographer Michael Rioux, was a pas de deux fraught with tension and supported movements. The last two pieces, "Nightwalk," by Andrea Burchak, and "Into the Earth, Into the Sky," by Karen Brown, were buoyant, yet disturbing. Charismatic performances were given by; Karen Brown in "Orchid Tease," Allegra Searle-LeBel in "Observations," Eliza Larson, Christine Weh, Morgan Shaw Nutt and all soloists in "In Tribute," Andrea Burchak in "Uprooting," and Graham Stockdale throughout. Dancers Amy Weaver, Bridget Gunning, and Jessica Schroeder completed the excellent company. Leif Chappelle composed original, sensuous music for "Observations" and "Into the Sky." This young company is one to watch.

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Neighbors Dispute Goodwill Plan

By Bill Bradburd, South Lane Street

Thank you to the Madrona Community Council for allowing the Dearborn Street Coalition for Livable Neighborhoods (DSCLN) to come to its November meeting to discuss the redevelopment of the Goodwill site. The DSCLN represents over 40 organizations including neighborhood groups in the International and Central District and north Rainer Valley, and business, housing, transit, labor, social justice and sustainability interest groups. The DSCLN has a simple mission: provide an effective voice for the community in response to the proposal to redevelop the Goodwill site at Rainier Ave and Dearborn Street in Little Saigon. We are for healthy urban neighborhoods, sustainable development, affordable housing, a vibrant local economy with locally owned businesses, transit and pedestrian priorities, family wage jobs, development that is consistent with the City's Comprehensive Plan, and neighborhoods having a voice in the development process.

We are pro development and do not oppose the redevelopment of this site. We simply request that it be done in a manner that is respectful of the nearby small business districts and surrounding residential neighborhoods. We find the current proposal flawed in many ways and our broad community coalition has been resolute in its call for an improved proposal from the developer.

The developer presented his plan to the MCC at an earlier meeting and his proposal was recapped in the September issue of the *Madrona News*. We find that the current proposal does not fit the scale and character of the area, does not reflect the unique cultural diversity of the surrounding urban neighborhoods, is a threat to our local shopping districts such as Little Saigon and 23rd Avenue & Jackson, and is inconsistent with the City's Comprehensive Plan as well as our own neighborhood plans.

We understand the allure of a mega-regional shopping mall close to Madrona. But at what cost does this convenience come? Is the promise that you "will no longer have to drive to the suburbs for your everyday essentials" worth changing the character of our unique urban neighborhoods? And couldn't an improved project that is better suited to the scale and character of the surrounding neighborhoods also satisfy those shopping needs?

DSCLN believes that in its current state, this project represents *irresponsible development*, and that there is a better solution. We seek a balanced mix of retail, not a formula big box retail project over 90% dedicated to shops over 5,000 square feet. We seek a project that doesn't add over 25,000 automobile trips per day to already congested arterial streets. We would like to see more housing in the project, in particular a commitment to affordable family housing.

Since the developer is moving ahead with a proposal that we cannot support, we are using the City's land-use process to address the concerns of the community, and to advocate for an improved project proposal. We have a real opportunity to influence an outcome that will define the quality and livability of our neighborhoods for decades to come and if you would like to help or learn more, go to www.dearbornstreetcoalition.org

Mount Baker Events Call Madrona

It's just a short drive along the lake and before you know it, you're in Mount Baker. The folks there would like to invite everyone from Madrona to come down for a visit and enjoy two great upcoming Mount Baker neighborhood events.

2007 Mount Baker Neighborhood Homes Tour and Home Renovation Fair. On December 8 from 10:00am to 5:00pm, the Home Renovation Fair will be in the Mount Baker Community Clubhouse at 2811 Mount Rainier Drive S. It will host an array of vendor resources covering the spectrum of the home renovation process for period homes. Experts will be on hand to offer advice and suggestions on how to update your vintage home. The Home Tour will also originate from the Clubhouse and allow visitors an opportunity to view the interiors of a few of the many unique homes that exemplify the variety of home styles found in the neighborhood. Tickets are available on line at www.brownpapertickets.com/event/18348 or at Urban Vines, 3605 S. McClellan Street. Tickets will also be sold the day of the tour at the Clubhouse. Tickets feature descriptive information about each home and a walking map. For more information, visit www.mountbaker.org.

Mount Baker Rowing and Sailing Center Grand Opening. On December 2 from 4:00 to 7:00pm, everyone is invited to come and see the outcome of our recently completed \$2.2 million expansion. If your daily drive, walk or bike ride takes you past our facility at Stan Sayres Park on Lake Washington, you've watched our building grow from muddy foundations to soaring new rooflines. The event includes a tour, a ribbon cutting ceremony, and a silent auction open to everyone to benefit our public boating programs. Festivities end on a holiday note with a visit from the Christmas Ship featuring The Northwest Boychoir from 6:25 to 6:45pm. Contact the center office at 386-1913 or mount.baker@seattle.gov if you have questions.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- WEDNESDAYS** 10:30-11:00am **Preschool Story Times**—Presented by Seattle Public Library at Amara Parenting & Adoption Services, 3300 E. Union
- WEDNESDAYS** 8:00pm **Adult Pick-up Basketball**—\$3 donation supports Madrona M-9 PTSA, Madrona K-8 gym, Allen Cheadle
- THURSDAYS** 7:30pm **AA/ALANON Meeting**—Epiphany Great Hall.
- THURSDAYS** 6:30-7:30pm **Singing in the Rain Family Choir**—Epiphany Great Hall, Sari Breznau 262-9712.
- FRIDAYS** 7:30am **Madrona/Leschi Citizens Again the War**—Quiet demonstration, 23rd & Union, Kathy Baker kbarker715@comcast.net

- Nov 13-Nov 21** **Early Dismissal**—Seattle Public Elementary Schools; 2-hour early dismissal for parent/teacher conferences
- Nov 21** 9:00am-1:00pm **Homeless Cooking**—Bring a cutting board and fresh ingredients. St. Clouds, Darren Pritt darren@neighborhoodcooking.org
- Nov 22** 9:00am-12:00pm **Thanksgiving Day Homeless Cooking**—Bring a cutting board and fresh ingredients to cook for homeless teens at Peace for the Streets. Madrona Presbyterian Church, Darren Pritt darren@neighborhoodcooking.org
- Nov 22 & 23** **No School**—Seattle Public School; Thanksgiving Holiday.
- Nov 26** **Beginning Madrona Toys for Tots Drive**—Bring new, unwrapped toys for local needy children. Drop off location is the office of Barbara Banon, Edward Jones financial advisor, 3304 East Spring St. Donations accepted during regular business hours through December 21, 323-0440
- Nov 28** 7:00-9:00pm **Epiphany School Open House**—Hear from the school community and tour classrooms to learn more about this pre-K through 5th grade independent school in Madrona, celebrating its 50th anniversary this year, 720-7663 or annes@epiphanyschool.org.
- Nov 30** 4:00 to 9:00pm **Conrow Porcelain Holiday Show Artist's Reception**—Entertainment provided by guitarist Eric Jones, 1429 34th Avenue, Ginny Conrow 324-0734
- Nov 30** 6:30-9:30pm **Seward Park Clay Studio Holiday Show & Sale Preview Party**—Get the first pick of the pots and enjoy hobnobbing with the artists. Wonderful refreshments, festive decorations, and great company: \$10 suggested donation, www.sewardparkart.org.
- Dec 1-24** **Seward Park Clay Studio Holiday Show & Sale**—Sale Hours: Mondays-Fridays, 12-6:30 pm, Saturdays and Sundays 10 am-6pm. Free admission, www.sewardparkart.org.
- Dec 1** 9:00am-1:00pm **Madrona Woods Work Party**—Meet at the construction site entrance on Lake Washington Bl, Deirdre McCrary deirdre_jaymccrary@msn.com or www.madronawoods.org.
- Dec 1** 1:00-5:00pm **Homeless Cooking**—Bring a cutting board and fresh ingredients to cook for the people of Tent City. Madrona Presbyterian Church, Darren Pritt darren@neighborhoodcooking.org.
- Dec 1** 7:00pm **Expressions of African Dance**—Presented by Spectrum Dance and featuring Sukutai Music and Dance Company, The Ethiopian Dance Group, and students from Denny Middle School and Seattle Girls School, UW Kane Hall.
- Dec 1 & 2** 10:00am to 5:00pm **Conrow Porcelain Holiday Show**—Enjoy the art spaces and the artists who live and work in your neighborhood! 1429 34th Avenue, Ginny Conrow 324-0734.
- Dec 2** 4:00-7:00pm **Mount Baker Rowing and Sailing Center Grand Opening**—Silent auction, free tours and refreshments. Stan Sayres Park, 3800 Lake Washington Blvd S., mount.baker@seattle.gov, 386-1913.
- Dec 4** 2:00-3:00pm **Tour for Children**—Agency open house. Amara Parenting & Adoption Services, 3300 E. Union, 260-1703 or andrea@amaraparenting.org.
- Dec 4** 7:15pm **Madrona Community Council Meeting**—Madrona Playfield shelterhouse, Laura Yurdin 320-8693 or LYurdin@PointB.com.
- Dec 6** 6:30-8:00pm **Powell Barnett Park Design Meeting**—Help us design the picnic areas and historical signage about Powell Barnett. Garfield Community Center, Maisha Barnett, 293-9342 powellbarnettpark@yahoo.com.
- Dec 6** 7:00pm **Family Game Night**—Bring the whole family for games, snacks, prizes, and fun. Precocious Toys, 34th & Union, 322-9396.
- Dec 8** 9:00am-1:00pm **Homeless Cooking**—Bring a cutting board and fresh ingredients to cook for the people the the Outdoor Meal Site. Madrona Presbyterian Church, Darren Pritt darren@neighborhoodcooking.org.
- Dec 8** 10:00am-5:00pm **Mount Baker Neighborhood Homes Tour and Home Renovation Fair**—Fair events all day long at the Mount Baker Community Clubhouse at 2811 Mount Rainier Drive S. Tour tickets available via www.brownpapertickets.com/even/18348 or at the Clubhouse on the day of the tour. More info at www.mountbaker.org.
- Dec 8** Ending E. Cherry YWCA Holiday Adopt a Family Project—Help make things brighter for a local family in need. Donations are due today. To adopt a family, make a donation, or get more info, visit www.ywcaworks.org or contact Adelina Vallejo at avallejo@ywcaworks.org, 461-3214.
- Dec 8 & 9** 10:00am to 5:00pm **Conrow Porcelain Holiday Show**—Enjoy the art spaces and the artists who live and work in your neighborhood! 1429 34th Avenue, Ginny Conrow 324-0734.
- Dec 11** 6:00-8:00pm **Adoption Information Meeting**—Learn about the adoption process and Amara's programs. Amara Parenting & Adoption Services, 3300 E. Union, 260-1700 or amara@amaraparenting.org.
- Dec 12** 6:00-8:00pm **Foster Care Information Meeting**—Orientation about becoming a foster parent. Amara Parenting & Adoption Services, 3300 E. Union, 260-1700 or amara@amaraparenting.org.
- Dec 13** 6:30-8:30pm **Waiting Family Support Group**—Amara Parenting & Adoption Services, 3300 E. Union, 260-1700 or amara@amaraparenting.org.
- Dec 15** 9:00am-1:00pm **Madrona Woods Work Party**—*Tentative*: check website to be sure we will be working today. Deirdre McCrary deirdre_jaymccrary@msn.com or www.madronawoods.org
- Dec 19** 9:00am-1:00pm **Homeless Cooking**—Bring a cutting board and fresh ingredients. Madrona Presbyterian Church, Darren Pritt darren@neighborhoodcooking.org.
- Dec 21** Ending **Madrona Toys for Tots Drive**—Bring new, unwrapped toys for local needy children. Drop off location is the office of Barbara Banon, Edward Jones financial advisor, 3304 East Spring St.

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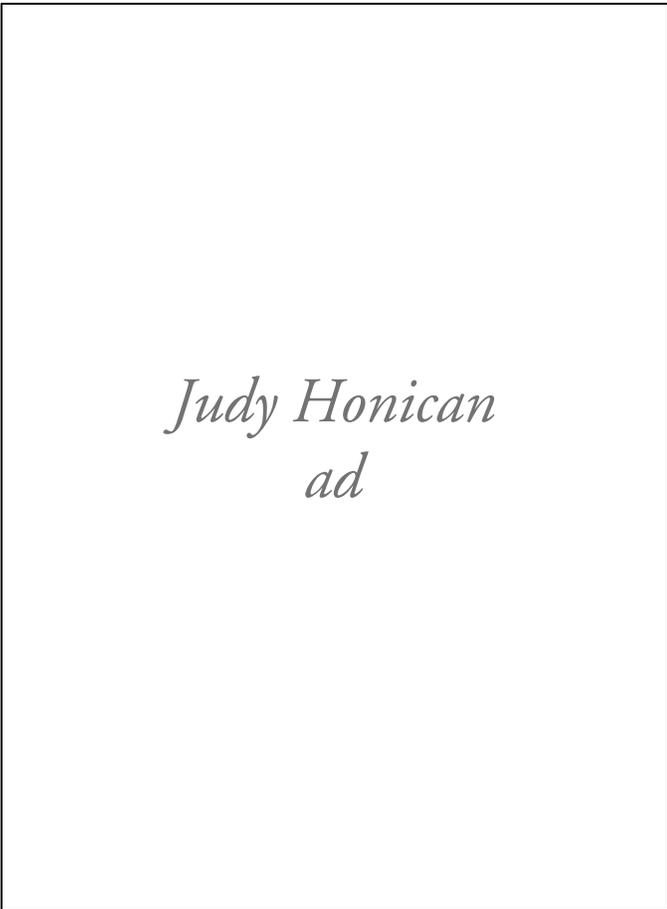
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