

Madrona NEWSLETTER

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Drug Free Zone Established Around Madrona Elementary School

In 1989 the Washington State Legislature passed a law providing for double penalties to anyone convicted of selling illegal drug substances within a 1000' radius of any public or private school property. In response to this new law, the East Precinct Crime Prevention Coalition has introduced the Community Mobilization Against Substance Abuse campaign.

Six locations have been included in the 1990 campaign: Judkins Rejected Community/Washington Middle School; Miller Park Neighborhood/Meany Middle School; Broadway BIA; Yesler

Terrace/Gatzert School; Central Neighborhood Association; and Madrona.

Before the end of 1990, you should see distinctive "DRUG FREE ZONE" signs posted around Madrona Elementary School. Officer Marianne Parker is visiting area schools to tell students about the program.

Get involved! Volunteer at Madrona School; become involved in your Block Watch; become the eyes and ears of the community; report any illegal activity to 911 and use the 325-BUST line for non-emergency reports. For more information about Drug Free Zones, contact Juanita West, Campaign Coordinator, 728-0903.

The Real-Estate Environment Endowment (TREE)— Proposition 21

During the last two decades, the population of the Puget Sound region has grown by 36% while the amount of land covered by development has increased by over 87%. The 1990 Washington State Legislature authorized a 1% real estate excise levy to allow counties to acquire and preserve open space.

On November 6, voters in seven Puget Sound Counties: King, Snohomish, Pierce,

Thurston, Island, San Juan and Jefferson will be asked to approve Proposition 21.

In King County, TREE is a ten year program to acquire, preserve and maintain tens of thousands of acres of natural lands and open spaces. TREE will provide approximately \$70 million a year to fund three major elements.

--Greening of the Cities. 55% of TREE funds will preserve greenbelts, natural lands and park lands. (Continued inside pg 2)

MADRONA COMMUNITY CALENDAR

September 25
Tuesday
7:30 p.m.
GENERAL MEETING
Madrona Elementary School
Dessert Social, Annual
Meeting & Election of
officers.

October 2
Tuesday
7:30 p.m.
BOARD MEETING
Madrona Elementary School

Council Board Meetings are the first Tuesday of each month; General meetings are the last Tuesday every other month (they will be announced in newsletters). All are welcome at both.

Dessert On The Agenda At September 25 General Meeting

Madrona's first General Meeting of the fall will start at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 25 at the Madrona Elementary School. All residents of the area are urged to attend; the agenda will include:

1. The election of Community Council Officers for 1990-91.
2. A report and discussion on an anti-noise lawsuit currently pending in federal court. The suit seeks to change the Port of Seattle's flight plans which direct so much air traffic over Central Seattle.
3. Identification of vacant land parcels in Madrona for the purpose of nominating them for purchase by the City for Open Space.
4. Dessert! Provided by your own Community Council board.

Proposition 21

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- Rural Environment. 35% will be used to purchase natural areas in rural parts of unincorporated King County and along the I-90 corridor as well as park lands and trails.
- Maintenance Endowment. 10% will be placed in a perpetual endowment dedicated to maintaining the preserved areas.

Since TREE is not a property tax but rather an excise levy of up to 1% on real estate transactions, anyone remaining in their homes will not be subject to the levy. All counties involved in TREE will petition the Legislature to exempt low and moderate income and first-time home buyers from the excise levy.

For more information or to help, contact Puget Sound Citizens for Open Space, 1501 Western Avenue, Seattle 98101, 382-0440.

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Neighborhood Beat

by Marty Liebowitz, President

Last year we sent a clear message to drug dealers that Madrona is "Off Limits". This year we'll reinforce that message with the establishment of DRUG FREE zones around Madrona Elementary School where the penalties will be doubled. (See related article this issue.)

The community received over \$30,000 from the Neighborhood Matching Fund for two playground projects and for restoration of the Shelter House at the Playfield. We'll be working on installing new play equipment at Madrona Playfield and the Madrona Elementary playground this fall. Pay particular attention to the word "Matching" here. The community is expected to MATCH the amount of the monetary award with donated services and volunteer labor.

For our projects to be successful, we need to rely on volunteerism. We'll be able to see the fruits of our labor very quickly at the Playfield and the Elementary School. Other projects are

much longer term. All these projects add to our neighborhood and are worth the effort.

The next General Meeting is September 25 and several important items will be discussed. The Madrona Community Council has been approached to participate in a lawsuit against the FAA now pending in the U.S. Court of Appeals relating to noise increases resulting from low-flying aircraft being rerouted over densely populated areas of Seattle. At the next meeting we will discuss whether we want to participate in the lawsuit. People with opinions and positions are encouraged to come to the next meeting and let the Board know your feelings on this matter.

Also on the agenda is a request from the City for nominations for new open space land acquisitions. These nominations are due by October 1. The Community Council Board would like to hear your recommendations. After the meeting, the Board will send the City a compiled list. For further information contact Gray Pedersen 325-6156; Shirley Solomon, 323-

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The neighborhood cleanup was quite successful again this year. Seven garbage trucks staffed by community volunteers circulated through the Madrona neighborhood and collected the accumulated garbage. The neighborhood provided a delicious pot luck for the volunteers, and city workers and truck drivers. We're all grateful to the hearty souls for their time and efforts.

So, fall is in the air. The squirrels are building their nests. The people and critters of the Peaceable Kingdom are getting ready for another winter. During this fall, please try to make some time to participate. Every little bit counts. The people of the Peaceable Kingdom come in many different colors and wear many different suits of clothes. Let's now take off the garb of Sanitation workers and transform ourselves into painters, carpenters and playground installers.

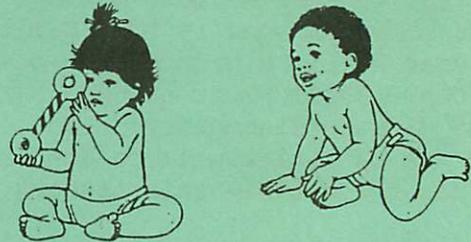
The Board of the Community Council has changed the meeting dates and times to make them easy to remember: General Meetings are held at 7:30 p.m. on the last Tuesday of every month except during the summer months of June, July and August and the winter months of November and December. The Board meets every month except for July, August and December.

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A YWCA Child Care Center In Your Neighborhood!



We are pleased to announce the opening of a new child care center at the Washington Institute of Applied Technology. The program is provided by the YWCA East Cherry Branch and will serve neighborhood families, as well as WIAT students.

Starts: Tuesday, September 4

Location: Washington Institute of Applied Technology (WIAT)
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Madrona School News

The 1990-1991 school year has begun! We have 491 students in the Early Childhood and Accelerated Progress Programs. There are 18 classrooms of kindergarten through fifth grade students.

Our excellent science, physical education and library programs continue this year, along with the Child Development Center under the very capable leadership of our school counselor. Once again, we have a full-time family support worker who is able to provide much needed services and assistance to our families. Our Special Education and Chapter I programs are also able to provide assistance for students in reading, mathematics and language arts.

We are looking forward to offering Chess Club and Homework Center after school for all our students. The school looks great and you can truly feel the enthusiasm and excitement from the students and the staff! Our PTSA is as strong as ever and is focusing this year on forming a site council for Madrona along with all the many other wonderful projects they sponsor. If you are interested in joining the site council, please contact the school at 281-6590.

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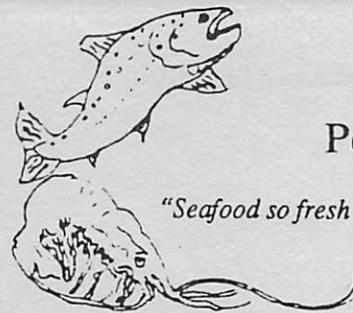
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City Offers Neighborhood Organization Workshops This Fall

"Bridging People, Building Power," a workshop series for neighborhood organizations is being offered this fall by the Office of Neighborhoods. The series includes a 2-part workshop, "Newsletter Planning and Production", a panel discussion "Working With the Media", a workshop entitled "Surveying the Needs and Resources of your Neighborhood" and a panel discussion on "Ensuring Diversity: How Your Organization Can Reflect Your Community".

These workshops and special programs are free and open to the public. Several members of the Madrona Community Council are planning to attend. For more information call the Office of Neighborhoods, 684-0464.

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