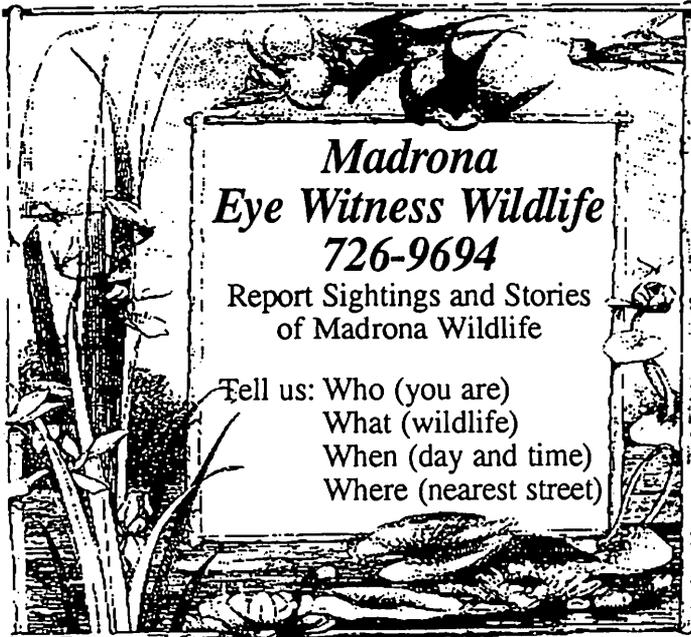


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Madrona NEWS

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By Zohreh Hadji-Agha and Mike Gordon

March brought at least five Madrona bald eagle sightings! Peter Loft saw a huge Bald Eagle sitting in a tree near the Madrona Dance Studio March 13. Mary Beirne saw three eagle flying above 31st Ave on March 25. Five Bald Eagles talked and played in the skies over Becky Melonson's house at 38th and Marion between March 25 and 26. Judith Starbuck spied a loudly screeching pair -- probably mating in mid-air - - over Madrona Park on March 26. Barb McKeon and Kay Gordon saw two matures and an immature soaring over 34th and Union on March 27.

Lela Paterson watched a hawk scoop up a hefty rat near 35th and Howell and carry it off in its talons. She said "It is amazing thing to watch." Go Hawks! Roz Roseburg saw a young Opossum at 32nd and Lake Washington Boulevard on March 22. David Chelimer has attracted Red-breasted Nuthatches to his feeder. Kay Gordon eyed a whole flock of Cedar Waxwings in the Briar Patch pocket park at Madrona and Pine on March 9.

Three Band-Tailed pigeons have been residing since February near the McKeon's at Newport and grand. They occasionally dine at Margaret Waldo's feeder, 37th and Union. Flickers have been sighted several times on Grand Avenue, returning for goodies in the cedar and fir brush at the base of Maid Adam's tall trees.

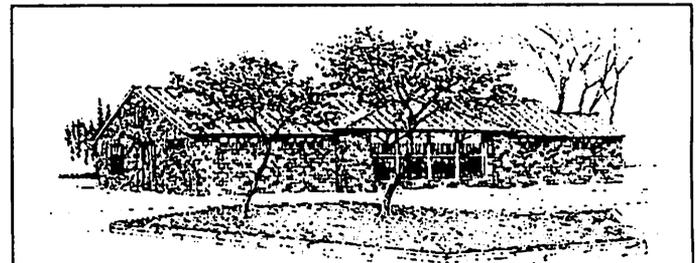
David Chelimer says that those of us who plant honeysuckle and fuchsia and wait all summer for the hummers have got it all wrong. Anna's Hummingbird winters in Seattle! Has anyone seen a Goldfinch, our state bird lately? They should be losing their drab green and turning bright yellow about now.

For all those who called in, a hearty thank you! Please encourage your kids to watch for wildlife and phone in their sightings to Zohreh (Zoe-ray). Though not reported in detail here, every sighting is entered into our computer database with full particulars, including any special comments.

Madrona May Fair

Saturday, May 15 - Volunteers Needed!!!

- ☛ Impress your neighbors with your culinary skills grilling juicy hot dogs. Call Jill at 329-9836.
- ☛ Make big bucks and clean out your closets selling your treasures at a rummage booth. Call Marty at 325-1224.
- ☛ Express your creativity operating a children's game booth or craft table. Call Jill at 329-9836
- ☛ Work off calories setting up or cleaning up at the playfield. Call Susan at 324-9943.



Community Calendar

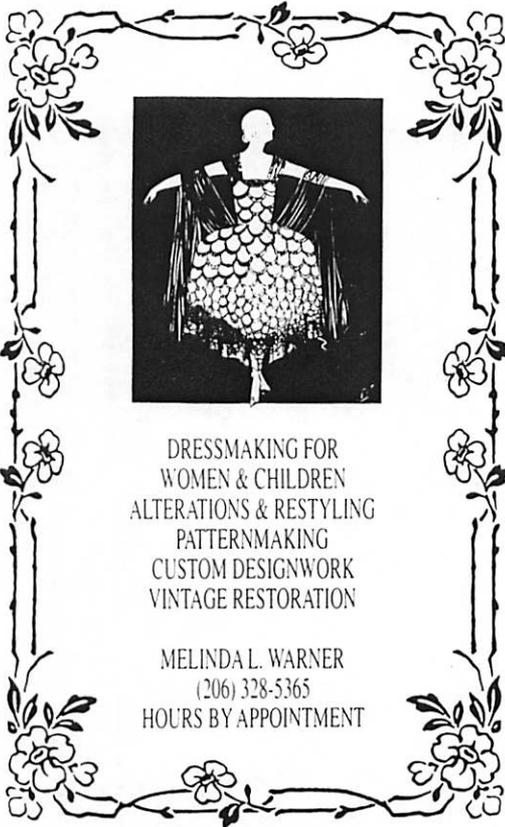
- May 1 Madrona Ravine & Park Spring Clean**
10am- Madrona Ravine, 38th and Spring.
2pm Join your neighbors in uncovering the sidewalk at the Madrona Ravine and other clean-up efforts.
- May 4 Madrona Community Council**
7:30pm **Working Meeting**
Shelter House, 34th and Spring. Everyone welcome!
- May 15 Madrona May Fair - Note New Date**

Madrona Spring Clean '93 April 17 - May 2

Spring Clean '93 is underway. *This is not to be confused with the neighborhood cleanup of household items which will take place later in the year.* If you are interested in activating your neighbors to clean up the streets, sidewalks, or stairs, contact David Hunter at SED, 684-4163, to arrange for supplies, including bags, gloves and transfer station passes. If you want to help others, call Jill Gordon (329-9836) to let her know when you are available to help or if you have a pick-up truck and could take bags to the transfer station.

☛ **36th Avenue Sidewalk Cleanup** - Residents along 36th Avenue from Cherry to Pike are encouraged once again to join forces to clean the upper sidewalk. We made such wonderful progress last year with everyone's help. Anne Knight (329-9329) will have bags and gloves available. Please call to say when you can help.

☛ **Madrona Ravine Sidewalk** - On Saturday, May 1, from 10AM-2PM, we are coordinating a Cleanup Work Party at the Madrona Ravine and Park. The priority focus will be to uncover the sidewalk on the west side of 38th Avenue. Please call Jill Gordon (329-9836) to volunteer.



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A Playground at Madrona Beach?

By Ingrid Beach Robertson

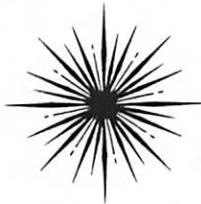
"Why isn't there a playground here?", I asked myself and many other parents as I took my infant and toddler for a walk by the lake. The response I got was "There should be--the space looks as though it was meant for a play area."

The space we were referring to is on the south side of the Madrona Dance Studio -- a flat, sandy oval lawn across from the swimming beach. In the summer, the beach teams with children and not all are swimming. In the fall, winter and spring the park still invites parents and children because of the sand, rocks, water, and views of the mountains.

For residents of Leschi and Madrona, the only playgrounds are on the top of the hill, not very convenient for anyone living at the bottom of the hill. In addition, people from all over the community are attracted by the water to Madrona Park, and could use a playground there throughout the year. There is a real need for the growing population of young people in our neighborhood.

I've already started to work on applying to the Seattle Department of Neighborhoods for a grant to put in the playground equipment. Winning a grant is dependent on how much neighborhood involvement there is. Besides, I'm going to need a great deal of help if a playground is really going to be built. If you would like more information or are interested in helping, please call Ingrid Beach Robertson at 322-1370.

If there are any architects, landscape designers, playground designers, fund raisers, event coordinators, and project managers, I would especially like hearing from you, but all kinds of volunteers are welcome and needed. Thanks!



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Community Bulletin Board Central Branch Preschool

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The school has waiting lists for its morning classes next Fall, but has space in its Afternoon Program...a well-staffed program that included the same kinds of experiences and activities provided in the morning, with flexible hours from 12 to 5:30, tuition assistance for qualified families.

Having visitors this summer?

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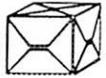
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Graffiti on Public Property	684-5004
Pothole Hotline	684-1218

Graffiti Alert!

The season for graffiti is back. The City has one person to coordinate a response to graffiti for the entire city. Graffiti often attracts more criminal activity and can lead to neighborhood deterioration. If you see graffiti on a local business, ask the owner to paint it out as quickly as possible. If you see graffiti on public property, call 684-5004. For graffiti on a Metro bus shelter, call 553-3060. If you see graffiti on your property or a neighbor's property, *Please clean it up quickly!*



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**First A.M.E. and Seattle First Baptist
Churches Sponsor Mini Education Summit**

On Saturday, April 24, 1993, from 8:30AM-12:30PM, the public is invited to a forum with members of the First African Methodist Episcopal Church and Seattle First Baptist Church at First A.M.E. located at 1522 - 14th Avenue, Seattle.

The two churches have been meeting since September, 1992, to build a sense of Christian fellowship with each other as well as to work together to address some important and vital issues in the community. The educational forum is one of the partnership projects that grew out of a serious discussion on the plight of education in urban schools. The Parish partners believe that quality integrated education can lead to a quality integrated society with equitable opportunities for success for all and can lead to better understanding and appreciation among all races.

Goals for the forum are to foster action groups and working partners between churches, create awareness of educational equity and racial harmony issues in urban schools, and to create dialogue between Seattle First Baptist and First A.M.E. on these issues. Presenters at the forum will be members from each church who are educators, students, and parents, law enforcement and social workers.

For more information, please contact: Frances Carr, 684-4000 or 621-9383.

Attention All Madrona Community Activists! We Need Your Help!!!

We are looking for Board Members, Officers and volunteers for next year's Madrona Community Council. Council activities are interesting, rewarding and a great way to meet neighbors. We need your help to continue and improve the Community Council's programs and services. We are particularly interested in increasing the diversity of the Community Council and strengthening representation from all areas of the neighborhood.

Come to our Working Meeting on May 4 at the Shelter House in Madrona Playground to see what we are about or call Jill Gordon at 329-9836. Remember: If you live or work in Madrona, you are a member of the Madrona Community Council and are encouraged and welcome to participate.

The Community Council is what you make it!



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The Madrona Newsletter is published monthly except during the summer months and December. Send news articles, items for the community bulletin board, neighborly notes, additions to the mailing list and changes of address to Jerry Arbes, Newsletter Editor, 1122 36th Ave, Seattle 98122, 329-9329. The deadline is the first Saturday after the Board meeting. Call Susan Roberts (329-7322) regarding newsletter advertising.

Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend the meetings of the Community Council which are held the first Tuesday (Working Meeting) and the last Tuesday (Program Meeting) of the month at 7:30 in the Shelter House at the Madrona Playfield. Please call your neighborhood representatives if you have questions or would like to become involved in the Community Council.

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