

April/May 1994

Madrona NEWS

Newsletter Of The Madrona Community Council

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Notes from Our President by John Capps

☞ The Madrona Community Council wishes to thank Michael Wilson, our Public Safety Chair, for all his work in making the visit to Madrona by Seattle Police Chief Norm Stamper a very warm and successful event. We would also like to thank St. Therese School for hosting the event and Terry Spaccarotelli and Rogers Thriftway for getting the word out about this interesting and informative evening with the new Police Chief.

☞ On April 23, as part of Spring Clean '94, the Madrona Community will gather at 34th and Union from 9am to noon to clean up the business district. Bring your brooms, your gloves, your energy and let's have some fun doing some good work for the neighborhood. We'll try to make the business district shine! Everyone is invited to participate in this fun filled affair. If anyone can provide a truck to make a run to the transfer station, it would be greatly appreciated. Call 329-9329. We want to thank the Madrona Gardeners for their efforts in planting the barrels at the corners of 34th and Union.

☞ April 26th is the Community Council meeting about Open Space and Parks in Madrona. Please plan to attend and share your thoughts.

☞ Madrona Mayfair is tentatively schedule for Saturday, May 14. Many volunteers are urgently needed to help pull this event together. If your feel the tradition of Mayfair should continue, and would like to help, please call me at 324-6847. Everyone living in Madrona is part of our community. I encourage all of you to join us in making this a great success.

☞ In addition to Mayfair, we are also trying to organize neighborhood events around the upcoming U.S. Bicycling Championships, which will past through our community on June 19. This is a great opportunity for showcasing Madrona and creating some fun events for the neighborhood. The Community Council is forming a committee to develop plans. Volunteers are urgently needed and we are open to all ideas. Please call me (324-6847) if you are interested and willing to help make this opportunity a great neighborhood success.

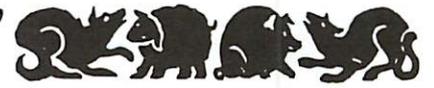
☞ We have good news, Mike Gordon has now returned home after his stroke in February. We wish him a continuing speedy recovery.

☞ On a sad note, the community mourns the passing of our neighbor Kurt Cobain. As you read this, pause for a moment in his memory to think of your values and the importance of your family, friends and neighbors. Our condolences to his family. As we walk, ride, play and shop in Madrona and our paths cross, simply say "Good Day!"

Madrona Open Space and Parks

The Madrona Community Council will discuss the results of the Open Space and Park Survey at the Program Meeting on April 26, 7:30pm at the Madrona Shelter House, 34th and Spring. The survey and other information will be used to help focus our open space and parks planning efforts and outreach. The survey is a result of the Urban Wildlife Habitat grant the Community Council received. The Council has additional funds from the grant that can be used to fund some of the ideas generated by the survey, so please come to the meeting and give us your Ideas. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

Community Calendar



- Apr 23 Madrona Business District Spring Clean**
9:00am-12:00 Union & 34th, Everyone encouraged to join in. Please join the Council in cleaning up the Madrona business district as part of the Spring Clean '94.
- Apr 26 Madrona Community Council Program Meeting-Open Space/Parks Meeting**
7:30pm Shelter House, 34th & Spring. Everyone Welcome!
- Apr 30 Madrona History Meeting**
2:00pm Shelter House, 34th & Spring. Everyone Welcome!
- Apr 30 Madrona Beach Design Workshop**
4:00pm Madrona Dance Studio, Lake Washington Blvd.
- May 3 Madrona Community Council Working Meeting - Board & Committees**
7:30pm Shelter House, 34th & Spring. Everyone Welcome!
- May 4 Madrona Gardeners**
7:30pm Shelter House, 34th & Spring. Everyone Welcome!

Help Us Enhance The Beach In Madrona

You are invited to participate in a Public Workshop to help plan for the beach enhancement project at the lake shore in Madrona Park. The site targeted for enhancement of children's beach play experiences is just south of the Madrona Dance Studio. The Madrona Community Council invites you to attend the workshop at the Dance Studio on Saturday April 30 from 4-6pm.

The Public Workshop will offer opportunities for community members to express ideas and thoughts

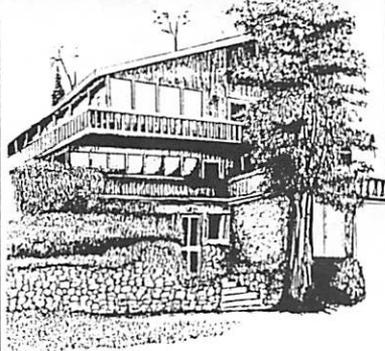
for what will surely result in uniquely different beach experiences for children. We will break during the workshop to visit the site and get a better idea for how it may be developed. We encourage you to visit the park prior to the meeting and familiarize yourself with the site and think about the potential opportunities and challenges.



MADRONA OPEN SPACE AND PARKS

Madrona Community Council
April 26, 1994 at 7:30pm
Madrona Shelter House

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Traffic/Transportation Committee by Bill Hanson

On February 24, 1994, I attended the Seattle Engineering Department's Transportation Community Open House at Central Community Council. It was a very informative session with representatives available from the Engineering Department to answer questions and explain their major programs. There were also many hand outs available such as the Seattle Bicycling Guide Map. You can obtain a copy by sending \$.75 in postage stamps to: Bicycle Program, Transportation Division, Engineering Department, 600 4th Avenue, Seattle, WA 98104. There were also handouts listing numbers to call if you needed something fixed on your street. For pot hole repair and other minor street repair call 386-1218; for traffic sign repair or replacement, call 386-1206; and for street cleaning or overgrown shrubs or bushes creating a sight hazard, call 386-1218.

Also, on March 11, 1994, I attended a meeting sponsored in part by ALT-TRANS—Washington Coalition for Transportation Alternatives, the City of Seattle and the Regional Transportation Coalition. One of the primary purposes was to meet Tom Matoff, the new Executive Director of the Regional Transit Authority (RTA). The RTA has hired Matoff to guide the development of a regional transit system that the voters will approve. Currently they are considering three alternative including a starter light rail line that is not fully grade separated. They would like to have a ballot proposal ready by the Spring of 1995. However, the final proposal is subject to change since Matoff firmly believes that interactive public involvement is critical for developing a broad coalition to support any regional transit proposal. Matoff appears well qualified and has worked for the Sacramento Regional Transit District, the Santa Clara County Transit Agency and Tri-Met in Portland.

The Seattle Engineering Department is still reviewing our Transportation Plan and devising solutions to the problems we identified. They have apologized for taking so long and have now promised to get back to us by April 8th.

The Community Council is looking for volunteers to assist me with planning for traffic during the U.S. Cycling Championship bicycle races through Madrona on June 19, 1994. This will probably involve attending various meetings during the next couple months. If you are interested in assisting with the bicycle races traffic coordination or more specifics on any of the issues please call me at 323-3450.

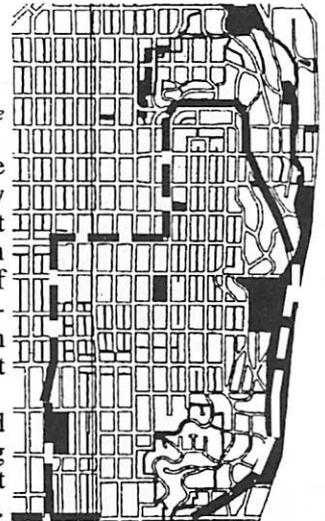
The Microsoft Grand Prix To Visit Madrona

Correction: Last month's issue of the Madrona News indicated that the cycling race will be on Saturday. The correct day is Sunday, June 19.

Madrona Community Council is pleased to have the opportunity for Madrona and Seattle to be showcased locally and nationally. Neighborhood volunteers are being sought to help plan neighborhood events and to help coordinate with the race organizers leading up to the race and on the day of the race. We want to ensure that the disruption of transportation, especially transit, is minimized. Please call John Capps (324-6847), with your ideas on how we could best welcome the racers and create a fun community event.

Sports International, in conjunction with the Sports and Events Council of Seattle/King County, will be presenting the 1994 U.S. Cycling Championship, "The Microsoft Grand Prix", on June 19, between downtown and the lake.

The race course starts in downtown Seattle, goes up Yesler, follows Lake Washington Boulevard to Madrona Drive, continues to the Madrona Business District on 34th, and returns to downtown. There will be partial and complete road closures from 6am to 6pm on Sunday, June 19. More than 300 of the nation's top cyclists are expected to compete.



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Madrona History Project

As part of the Madrona History Project, "Documenting the Activist Sixties," Howard Doker will talk about the Seattle Civic Unity Committee (CUC) and the Civil Rights Movement, 1944-64. This was the subject of his doctoral dissertation at the University of Washington in 1974. The work of the CUC is essential for understanding the changes in civil rights activism that occurred in the 1960's.

Civic Unity Committees were established in response to the 1943 Detroit race riots as a means of dealing with discrimination encountered by blacks who had migrated to metropolitan areas in search of employment, and to escape Southern racism. Seattle's was the longest lived of the CUC's and the most successful. It's work paved the way for more effective efforts among civil rights organizations and leaders in the 1960's.

Rich Berner will follow Mr. Doker's presentation with a survey of the relevant archival sources at the University of Washington. He will also offer his two-volume work, *Seattle in the 20th Century*, at a substantial savings to those attending.

Members of the community who remember, or were involved, in this era are invited to share their thoughts as well. The Madrona History project is working to document the civil rights era in our neighborhood through oral histories and the acquisition of archival materials such as photographs and documents. *Please join us for this program on Saturday, April 30 at 2:00pm at the Shelter House at 34th and Spring.*

Another Chance to Meet the New Police Chief

At the April 5 general meeting of the Madrona Community Council, Madrona neighbors had an interesting and informative conversation with Police Chief, Norm Stamper. It was an excellent opportunity to express neighborhood concerns about public safety, and to learn what the Chief hopes to do to promote and improve public safety in Seattle. We thank the Chief for coming to visit our neighborhood.

For anyone unable to attend the April 5th meeting, there is another chance to meet the Chief near our neighborhood. Chief Stamper will be the special guest of the *East Precinct Crime Prevention Coalition on April 28, at Seattle University in the Shafer Auditorium in the Lemieux Library, at 7:30pm.* For more information please call Denise Harnly (728-0903).

Summer at Central Branch Preschool

The Central Branch Preschool offers a summer outdoor oriented program for 3 to 6 year olds, based at the school in the Mt. Baker Clubhouse, including art, cooking nature and science experiences, neighborhood walks, trips to parks, beaches, museums. Weekly sessions from June 20 to August 19. Call 723-1187 for more information and applications.

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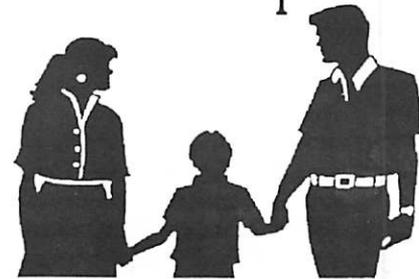
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Madrona Spring Clean '94

Spring Clean '94 is underway. This is not to be confused with the neighborhood cleanup of household items which will take place later in the year. This year the Madrona Community Council spring clean efforts will focus on the Business District. Community volunteers are needed to help sweep and clean up the Madrona Business district. Drivers with pickup trucks are also need to run to the transfer station, free permits will be provided. Show your support for our burgeoning business district and spend a couple of hours working with your neighbors. You'll be surprised at how good you'll feel after helping out. *Join us on Saturday, April 23, from 9am to Noon, at the corner of 34th and Union.*

Madrona Spring Clean '94

Neighbors Helping Neighbors

Help Clean Up the Madrona Business Area

Meet at the Corner of 34th and Union

Saturday, April 23, 1994

9am to Noon

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Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend the meetings of the Community Council which are held the first and the last Tuesdays 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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