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# Madrona NEWS

Newsletter Of The Madrona Community Council

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## February 10th Neighbor Appreciation Day



In celebration of community and in recognition of the profound value of good neighbors, Mayor Norm Rice has proclaimed February 10, to be Neighbor Appreciation Day. The Madrona Community Council will host a *Neighbor Appreciation Day Celebration on Saturday, February 10, 10-11:30am, Madrona Elementary School* as a way to mark the day and honor the spirit of neighborliness. As part of Neighbor Appreciation Day '96, the Community Council will recognize special Madrona neighbors by presenting the following awards based on nominations received from neighborhood residents: the Nora Award, the Local Hero Award, and the Unsung Hero Award.

The program will include music provided by the gospel group "*God's Choir*", presentation of the awards and also comments from our *special guest speaker, John Manning*, our new Seattle City Councilmember. Share with others stories about your particular street and those wonderful people who live alongside you. Mix and mingle and meet some new friends. Learn about all the things that are happening in the community and find out how you can contribute. Bring canned or dried food for Northwest Harvest. Visit the Library, sit on the bench and check out our neighborhood scene. Stroll the business district and visit the stores. Plan to attend this celebration of our wonderful, diverse, delightful neighbors.

We invite you to use the special "Thanks Neighbor" card (with artwork courtesy of Susan Roberts) in this newsletter to reach out to a new neighbor, to acknowledge a special person on your block or to invite a neighbor to accompany you to the Neighbor Appreciation Day Party. Please come join us!



### *Madrona Business Valentine Specials*

- ♥ *Simply Elegant* is offering sweet tarts for your sweetheart. Call 329-8538 for more information or to order.
- ♥ *Madrona Deli Market* will feature flowers for your Valentine. Stop and smell the roses (or tulips).
- ♥ Come to the *Hi-Spot* for a four-course Valentine dinner, including Champagne for \$19.95 per person. Call 325-7905.
- ♥ *Plenty* has plenty of flowers and chocolates for your sweetie.
- ♥ Celebrate Valentine's Day at *Cafe Soliel* with an Ethiopian Candlelight Valentine Feast, \$35.00 for two. Call 325-1126.
- ♥ *Jocelyn Owens* who bakes for Plenty has special cakes for Valentine's Day through Plenty. Call 329-8818 to order.
- ♥ Check out the many delightful Valentine Gift ideas at *Carol's Essentials*, including Madrona mugs benefiting the MCC.
- ♥ *Susan Roberts* will do a drawing of you for your Valentine. Call 329-7322.
- ♥ For a special Valentine evening, enjoy a four course dinner at *Dulce's Latin Bistro* including a White Chocolate Valentine Heart. Call 322-5453 for reservations.

## Coming 'Round the Corner Cycling Championships

by Terri Spaccarotelli

It's that time again...the cyclists are returning to Madrona! This year's event is going to be bigger and better—it's the Olympic Trials for Men's Road Race Cycling! Olympic Trials in Madrona — how wonderful!

The racers will hit the streets on Sunday, May 19th from 11am to 5pm. The course has been extended slightly this year. The racers will pass through our neighborhood ten times on a twelve mile route for a total of 120 miles. At least 200, mostly professional, cyclists are expected to participate in the race.

NBC has the television rights, and KING-TV will broadcast the race live for two hours and there will also be live radio.

*Now is the time to jump on the bandwagon as a volunteer.* All volunteers receive lots of goodies and have a choice of working on the course all day or in the neighborhood for shorter periods of time. It is truly a fun day and a great way to meet you neighbors. For more information, please call John Capps, 324-6847 or Terri Benson Spaccarotelli, 329-3556.

## Library News

by Nancy Pew  
Welcome to a new addition to our library! Madrona Library now has a *new Gateway 2000 computer* with CD-ROM. A printer is on order and is expected to arrive soon. These items were made possible by the *generous gift of James Newell in memory of his mother, Mary Newell*, a frequent library user. Several other items will be purchased with the rest of the gift money. We thank Mr. Newell for his wonderful gift to our community. The computer will be available for public use. Children will have priority during SPLASH hours—3 to 6pm on weekdays.

*Storytimes for preschoolers* are resuming this month. They will be held on Wednesday mornings at 10:30am on February 7, 14, 21, 28 and March 6, 13, and 20. Please join us for stories, songs, rhymes and flannel boards.

During the first 2 weeks of February materials will be available for children to make *Valentine cards*. The staff looks forward to seeing you at your neighborhood library.

## Kindergarten Playground Project

The Madrona PTSA is currently working on a project that will install a playground structure for the kindergarten area at Madrona Elementary School. The playground will benefit the smaller children at the school, as well as neighborhood children. The funding for this project is coming from the PTSA and will hopefully be matched by a grant from the Seattle Department of Neighborhoods. The grant application is currently under review. One requirement of the grant is that the Madrona community be involved with the planning and installation of the structure. Tentative installation date is late March, 1996.

Jim Saver, co-president of the PTSA, is heading up the project. Please contact Jim, 325-6212, with any questions, input or if you would like to volunteer to help.

# Madrona Community Council

## Meeting Summary *by Doug Tooley*

January 30, 1996

Jim Saver, PTSA President for Madrona Elementary, reported that the PTSA has applied for a matching fund grant from the Department of Neighborhoods to build a play structure at Madrona designed for younger kids. It will be located in the fenced area near the Kindergarten entrance. He will report back as the project develops.

Sandra Mattice, an administrator at Group Health, discussed the pending closure of the Madrona Group Health Clinic and efforts to find an appropriate tenant for the building. They are looking for a tenant or use that supports Group Health's goals and the community. The clinic is expected to relocate to the Central Group Health campus in late spring. Other uses for the Madrona site are being considered at this time. If you have ideas or concerns, call Sandy at 326-2363.

### Transportation Committee

Bill Hansen, co-chair of the Transportation Committee reported on the January 4 transportation meeting and the ongoing discussions about the changes on 32nd Avenue. In regards to the 32nd Avenue issue - a recommendation to keep the recent modifications intact was presented by Bill Hanson. Co-chair Jill Gordon asked if there were any alternative proposals. None were offered. Shirley Solomon complimented Bill and Jill on their handling of the January Transportation Committee meeting. The traffic circle request for 32nd at Pine and Olive and 33rd at Pike and Howell is being finalized. Jerry Arbes moved that we formally apply for the four traffic circles on 32nd and 33rd and that we revisit both the no left turn on Union at 32nd and the partial closure at 32nd and Denny one year after the installation of traffic circles. The motion passed with one opposed. Speed traps are also being requested on 34th Ave and on Madrona Dr to try to reduce the speeding traffic.

### Business Committee

Mayor Norm Rice visited the Madrona business district on January 16th while touring Central Area Business Districts. Business Committee Chair Erika Pitre-Davis served as an able and gracious host. Erica also reported that the proposal for a Pub in the old pharmacy space is in limbo, that the cleaners may be also moving, and that the office space above the cleaners is also available.

### Planning and Land Use Committee

Richard Conlin presented information on neighborhood planning activities at the Central Area business nodes. A business node vision statement has been provided to the Central Area Action Plan Implementation Team as a part of

that larger planning effort. The next meeting is scheduled for February 22, 7pm. This is a good time to get involved and express your concerns for the future of the neighborhood and the business district. Richard may be contacted at 329-0669. After reviewing the DCLU mailings, Martin Kern reported that there were no significant land use actions proposed in the area at this time.

The next Board meeting is March 5 at 7:15pm.

*Hi Spot*



**Cafe**  
**DINNER**  
**TUES. - SAT.**  
**5:30 - 9:30**  
1410-34TH AVE. 325-7905

## Ethiopian Delights *by Susan Roberts*

For more than a year, Madrona has known Cafe Soliel as a great place for breakfasts and lunches with a European flair. Now its owner, Kuri Teshome, has opened for dinner as well, serving meals in the tradition of her native Ethiopia. My husband Jack and I ate there one recent Friday. I ordered a succulent eggplant dish cooked with a mixture of herbs, garlic and ginger. Jack had chicken flavored with Ethiopian hot red spice. Both were delicious, with wonderful sauces to be soaked up with the traditional Ethiopian flat bread, the perfect accompaniment. Kuri is a great cook and a gracious hostess, and we are fortunate to have Cafe Soliel here in Madrona. Dinners are served Tuesdays through Saturdays, 5:30-9pm.

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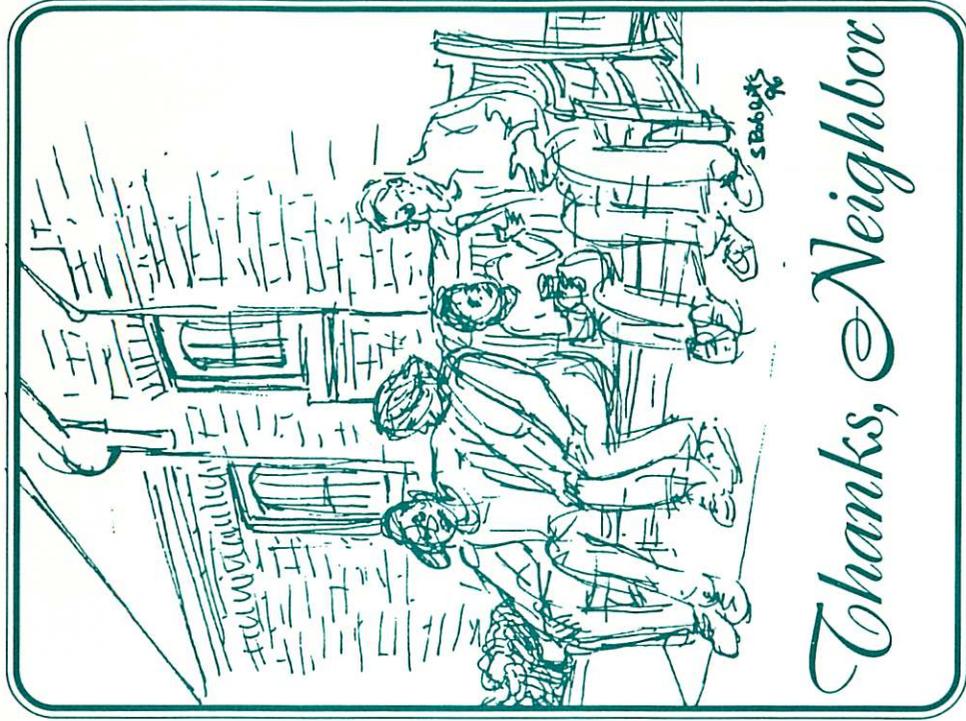
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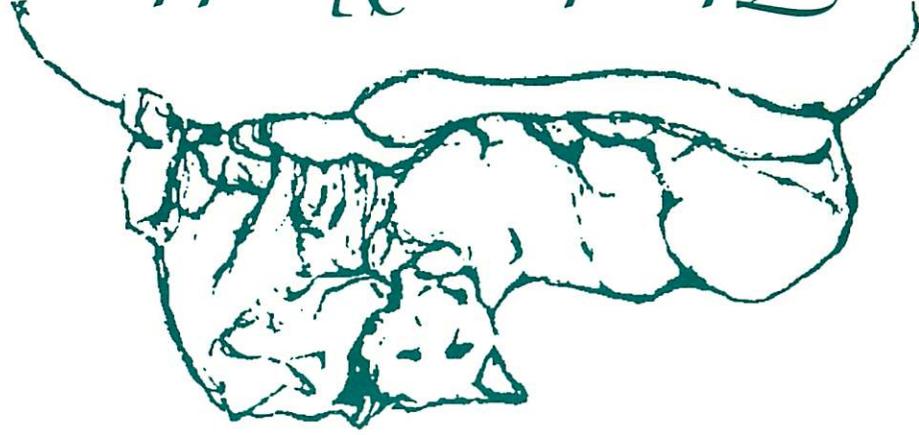
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## Transportation Committee by Bill Hanson

Good news, the planned traffic circles on 32nd (Pine & Olive) and 33rd (Pike & Howell) survived another review and are still in the running for an Engineering Neighborhood Grant. There is one more review meeting in March before the projects are submitted to the Mayor and Council for funding.

We are also working on several other projects. The Seattle Engineering Department is currently studying the accident problems at 34th and Denny. We expect their solution to the problem by April. On a related project Norm Yelin is working with the Seattle Police to establish periodic speed traps on 34th and Madrona Drive to slow down traffic. If you use these streets, consider yourself warned!

Also, Doug Tooley is working on the congestion problem on 33rd in front of the Madrona School. Current proposals include making Spring and 33rd by the school one way streets and eliminating parking in front of the school on 33rd during school hours. Any questions or ideas call Doug, 325-8195.

Mark your calendars! On March 7th, 7pm, there will be a meeting at Group Health Central Hospital, Room A1. Representatives from the Capital Hill, Greater Madison Valley, Madison Park and Madrona communities will be present to discuss transportation issues, including transit and bike trails. Please come if you are interested in neighborhood transportation issues.

# Cafe Soleil

*Breakfast and Lunch*

*Tuesday - Sunday, 9am-2pm*

*Ethiopian Dinners*

*Tuesday - Saturday, 5:30-9pm*

*Ph 206-325-9077:67*

1400 Thirty-Four Avenue 325-1126



*Opening doors in the Madrona neighborhood...*

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## Madrona Community Council Planning and Land Use Committee Neighborhood Planning Survey

A neighborhood planning effort for the Madrona area has just begun. For the business district planning we'll likely work with other Central Area commercial districts. Other aspects of the preservation and improvement of the neighborhood are just beginning to be looked at. To start this off we'd like to hear what's most important to you for Madrona and the larger Central Area community! *(Use a separate sheet, if necessary)*

1. Most important things to preserve:
2. Most important problems to address:
3. Most important improvements to seek funding for:

General Comments:

The following questions are designed to start a discussion on important topics: *(Circle one)*

4. Should we encourage **Townhouse** style housing near 34th and Union? Yes No
5. Should we improve the **Pedestrian and Bike** routes through Madrona? Yes No
6. Should Madrona be better known for its Arts? Yes No
7. Should we try to preserve neighborhood based health care? Yes No
8. Should we make room for some **social services and/or low-income housing**? Yes No
9. Neighborhood **businesses** are very important? Yes No
10. Should we create a **P-Patch** in the area? Yes No
11. The design for **Madrona Elementary** should include features to enhance its use as a community center? Yes No
12. The **Business District** should be improved through pavers and light standards? Yes No

*Please return to: Survey, 1126 33rd Avenue, Seattle, WA 98122 or fax to 325-8195 or e-mail to [dltooley@scn.org](mailto:dltooley@scn.org). For more information, call Richard Conlin, 329-0669. Thanks!*

# Calendar

- Feb 5 Madrona School Site Council Meeting**  
7p Madrona School Library. All welcome.
- Feb 6 Seattle School Operating and Technology Levies - Remember to Vote!**
- Feb 8 Madrona PTSA Meeting**  
7pm Madrona School Multi-Media Center
- Feb 10 Madrona Neighbor Appreciation Day**  
10a Join your neighbors and special guest Councilmember John Manning in celebrating Neighbor Appreciation Day, sponsored by your Madrona Community Council. Madrona School, 33rd and Union. (See article)
- Feb 28 Madrona Gardeners Meeting**  
7:30p Shelterhouse, 34th & Spring. Everyone welcome.
- Mar 4 Madrona School Site Council Meeting**  
7p Madrona School Library. All welcome.
- Mar 5 Madrona Community Council**  
7:15p Working Meeting - Board and Committees Shelterhouse, 34th & Spring. Everyone welcome!
- Mar 8 Deadline for March Newsletter**  
Send articles to 1122 36th Avenue, 98122
- Mar 27 Madrona Gardeners Meeting**  
7:30p Shelterhouse, 34th & Spring. Everyone welcome.
- Mar 28 Tickle Tune Typhoon Benefit for Think First**  
1pm Museum of History and Industry. \$7.00  
Call 521-1880 for more information or tickets.

# Madrona Bulletin Board

**We Would Appreciate Your Neighborly Cookies**  
We need refreshments for the Neighbor Appreciation Day. If you would like to help by donating cookies, beverages, etc, please call Jerry Arbes, 329-9329.

**Madrona MayFair**  
Madrona MayFair will be on Saturday, May 18 this year. Erika Davis Pitre has volunteered to Co-chair the MayFair event. We need volunteers now to help make this a successful event. Please call Erika, 325-5965, if you have questions or would like to help.

**Music and History**  
Bruce Monroe, former Madrona resident and son of Madrona residents Bob and Peggy Monroe, has written and composed an new musical based on the Seattle historical figure, Roy Olmstead. "Bootlegger" will be presented at the Village Theater in Issaquah from Febraury 15 through March 3. Call 392-2202 for information and tickets.

**Go For A Tickle**  
Tickle Tune Typhoon, winner of the National Parents Choice Award, will perform a benefit concert for Think First on Sunday, March 24 at 1pm at the Museum of History and Industry. Think First is a non-profit group whose goal is to reduce head and spinal cord injuries through education, community awareness and public policy. Think First and Tickle Tune Typhoon have teamed together to educate children and their parents through the music of Tickle Tune's "Healthy Beginnings". Tickets are only \$7 and are available at All for Kids Books and Music, 2900 NE Blakely, 526-2768 and at the Think First office, 521-1880.

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All are invited and encouraged to attend the meetings of the Community Council which are generally held the first and the last Tuesdays of the month at 7:15 in the Shelter House at the Madrona Playfield, 34th and Spring. Please call your neighborhood representatives if you have questions or would like to become involved in the Community Council.

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