

June/July/August 1994

# Madrona NEWS

Newsletter Of The Madrona Community Council

Member of Seattle Community Council Federation

## Notes from the President *by John Capps*

We have had a busy year, from the Holiday Arts Festival in November that raised over \$1000 for Community Council projects, to the long and spirited community process on Viretta Park.

Big thanks are in order to the many volunteers who have helped with Madrona Community Council projects during the past year. Thanks go to Terri Spaccarotelli for the expert organizing of the Holiday Arts Festival...to Marty Leibowitz, Barbara Stenson, Shirley Solomon and Lynn Iglitzin for their able assistance and representing us in such a professional manner on the Viretta Park process...to the U of W Architecture class who surveyed the neighborhood and developed innovative plans in which Madrona Elementary could be remodeled to support and enhance the library, Madrona Park and the business district...to Bill Hanson who has monitored transportation issues and met with the Seattle Engineering Department on our behalf...to Michael Wilson who helped organize the crime prevention meeting and assisted in bringing the new Seattle Police Chief, Norm Stamper, to meet our community...to Kathleen Roark and Ingrid Beach for all their hard work on the Beach Enhancement Project...to Jill Gordon for helping to keep the neighborhood matching grant alive and for ongoing enthusiastic support...to Kay Gordon and the History Project volunteers for the "Blast from the Past" documenting the activist sixties in Madrona...to Vickie Vellinga for organizing our business district activities...to Susan Stocking for rescuing MayFair and making it another smashing success...to Shirley Solomon and Curt Miller for watching over our greenspaces and wildlife habitat and for organizing the tree planting at the Library on June 19...to Kathleen Roark for keeping the minutes of our meetings...to Sonya Griffin for keeping our books and our budget...to Jerry Arbes, Anne Knight and Susan Roberts for taking care of the newsletter...and to all the other volunteers who have helped make Madrona a wonderful place to live.

Our next big project is the U.S. Cycling Championships on June 19th. Volunteers are still needed. Please call me at 324-6847 or Terri Spaccarotelli at 329-3556 if you would like to help.

I hope you have a peaceful and fun summer. Stay tuned for our retreat at the end of the summer, and the selection of board members for next year...and remember as you walk, ride, play and shop in Madrona and our paths cross, simply say "Good Day!"

*(Editor's Note: And a BIG THANK YOU to John Capps for guiding, prodding, cajoling, and inspiring us all during the past year. We are truly lucky to have John and all the volunteers working to preserve, improve and enhance our neighborhood. If you would like to help...and join the fun...I'm sure John would love to hear from you.)*

## Community Calendar



- Jun 17 Gallery Show Opening at SkyVisions**  
6-8pm Artwork by Diana Bower & DeeDee Rainbow  
SkyVisions, 1406 34th Avenue, 328-4246
- Jun 19 1994 U.S. Cycling Championship Road Race**  
8:30am Through Madrona (see articles, page 3)
- Jun 19 Madrona Tree Planting**  
Noon Madrona Sally Goldmark Library, 33rd & Union
- Jun 28 Madrona Beach Enhancement Meeting**  
7:30p Shelter House, 34th & Spring. Everyone Welcome!
- Jul 12 Madrona Beach Enhancement Meeting**  
7:30p St Therese Gym 35th & Spring. Everyone Welcome!
- Aug 13 Madrona ArtWalk**  
12-6p In the Madrona Business District, 34th and Union
- Aug 30 Madrona Community Council Working Meeting - Board & Committees**  
7:30pm Shelter House, 34th & Spring. Everyone Welcome!



**Microsoft  
GRAND PRIX**

**U.S. Cycling Federation  
National Road Race Championships  
Sunday, June 19, 1994  
In Seattle and through Madrona  
Women's Race at 8:30-11:30a Men's Race at 12:30-4:30p**

## Madrona's Heritage: Social Activism

On a beautiful Sunday afternoon in May--good for anything but sitting indoors--over 50 people gathered at the Madrona Library to honor neighbors and friends who acted to change injustices during the 1960's. Those honored included pioneers of what grew to become the national Head Start program, marchers for open housing and employment, advocates for more equitable distribution of city park resources, and crusaders for quality, equal education on every level. Neighbors shared stories about how families opened their homes, individuals stepped up to cook for the multitudes and women attended city board meetings only to be told they could go back to their ironing!

The reception culminated this year's efforts to document the activists Sixties. Thirty-three people\* gave audio-taped interviews of their personal experiences which, as soon as they are properly catalogued, will be available for borrowing from the library. In the meantime, the library has on display 1960's materials from our neighborhood archives. Clippings, photos and correspondence give a glimpse of the forces operation at the time.

Thanks to everyone who participated in this project. Too numerous to list individually, volunteers included interviewers, advisors, organizers, contributors and reception hosts.

Social activism is not only a Madrona legacy, but also a responsibility to carry forward.

\*Maud Adams, Margaret Bland, Frances Carr, Daisy and Leonard Dawson, Sr. Margaret Dove, Marvin and Jean Durning, Walter Hubbard, Charles Johnson, Aki Kurose, Sr. Sheila Lemieux, Wayne Melonson, Douglas and Ida Palmer, Barbara Patton, Nan and Alfred Pettitt, Connie and Don Pious, DeeDee Rainbow, Carol Richman, Roger and Dorothy Sale, Charles and Eleanor Smith, Jeri and Johnny Ware

## Courage

*There is a time for all when a great something else is needed, not later, not earlier, but then. And these qualities make up the contents of courage. Courage in the sense of being correct and causing no delay in doing what must be done. Courage is the tranquilizer of loss that allows a new idea or a new lease on life. It is an introduction to a rare care the produces one's best and opens the doors to patience and understanding of oneself and of others. Born of opposition, its strength can put things right and grow into a level of accomplishment and acceptance. Courage is uplifting that causes one to want to be oneself and become the answer to one's one problems; to see the good things that have been hidden by weakness and demoralizing darkness. It is the unmistakable and it is recognized at once, a sunbeam of contagion that leads and inspires others whilst we emerge. Courage braces and supports against the shocks yet to come and makes manageable the giants of yesterday which threatened and deprived. It steadies and causes us to be of some account. It is to be found close by and is ready and waiting to do you service and make your life worthwhile. "Where is it?" you say. In you. Just act the part and you will surely see.*

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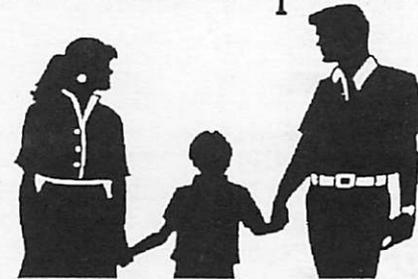
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## Madrona Hosts U.S. National Cycling Championships

On June 19th all of Madrona will come alive with activity surrounding the Microsoft Grand Prix 1994 U.S. Cycling Championships. With the involvement of over 350 top cyclists from around the country and more than 400 volunteers—this is BIG!

Madrona has earned its position as a center of attention with a lot of hard work, impressing sponsors and the "powers that be" with our community involvement and dedication to providing a quality showcase of race-related activities for the entire family. Live national TV coverage has the potential of highlighting our area to millions of views.

The race will begin at 8:30am at Westlake Center, pass through Madrona 18 times through the course of the day, ending around 4:30pm. Neighboring streets will be impacted by closures of approximately 12 minutes every half hour with a break of one hour from 11:30am.

The hub of activity here will occur on 34th Avenue between Union & Pike, featuring: King and Queen of the Mountain Competition (highest point on the race); Root Beer Float Concession at Plenty and Redhook Beer Garden at 34th & Pike benefiting the Madrona Community Council; Art exhibit at SkyVisions; arts and crafts booths; live music; and food cart and souvenir sales.

Microsoft has developed RiderLink, a real time data base program, especially for this race and will have nine computers in a twenty foot tent in the Group Health parking lot. Live, up-to-date race information will be provided on the computers for all to operate. Group Health volunteers will staff booths with health-related information. To ensure complete success of this exciting event, **your help is needed!** Can you offer even two hours of your valuable time to help with the race activities and benefit the Madrona Community Council? All volunteers will receive race goodies. Help is needed in all areas—from selling root beer floats to working in the road as course marshals. Please call Terri Spaccarotelli, 329-3556, for more information and to volunteer. See you at the races!

## Bike Raffle to Benefit Community Council

As part of the Cycling Championship festivities, the Madrona Community Council is sponsoring a raffle of a 21 Speed GT Mountain Bike and Helmet. Raffle tickets may be purchased for only \$1.00 each at Plenty, SkyVisions and other Madrona businesses and from Madrona Community Council board members. Remember—the more tickets you buy, the better your chances of riding off on a new mountain bike...and you'll be helping your Community Council.

## The Microsoft Grand Prix To Visit Madrona

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.

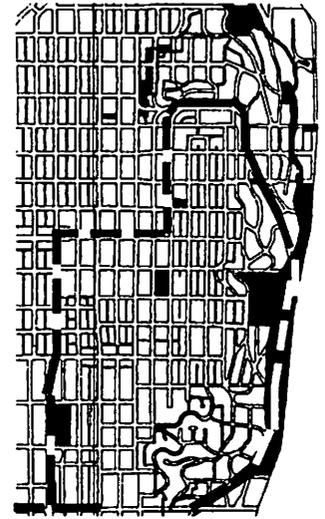
Sports International, in conjunction with the Sports and Events Council of Seattle/King County, will be presenting the 1994 U.S. Cycling Championship, The Microsoft Grand Prix, on June 19, between downtown and the lake.

The race course starts in downtown Seattle, goes up Yesler, follows Lake Washington Blvd to Madrona Drive, continues on 34th to the Madrona business district and returns to downtown. There will be partial road closures from 6am to 6pm on Sunday, June 19.

## Madrona Windsocks

Watch for ten beautiful handpainted Madrona windsocks which are being installed in the Madrona business district. Our businesses are unique and a source of pride—they deserve recognition and patronage.

A hearty thank you to Dolores Benson for her artistic talents in the creation of the windsocks. Additional windsocks may be ordered by calling Terry Spaccarotelli (Dolores' daughter) at 329-3556.



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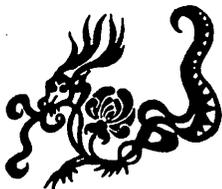
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### MayFair Lost and Found

Two jackets and a coin purse were found a MayFair. There are available at the Madrona Sally Goldmark Library to identify and claim.

### Traffic Calming in Madrona

Volunteers will be collecting signatures on 32nd and 33rd Avenues between Union and Denny in order to petition the Seattle Engineering Department for local neighborhood traffic control measures. Please help and sign the petitions. For more information, call Bill Hanson, 323-3450.

## MayFair A Great Success *by Susan Stocking*

It was great to see lots of neighborhood folks come out for MayFair. Many thanks to all of the hardworking volunteers who helped. I hope that fair goers who have not had the opportunity to work behind the scenes will be able to join in the fun by volunteering next year to help make this an on-going event of the Madrona Community Council.

*(Editor's Note: We all owe Susan Stocking and all the volunteers a big round of applause and a huge thank you for once again putting together a delightful Madrona MayFair)*

## Madrona Beach Enhancement

### Progress Report *by Kathleen Roark*

A Neighborhood Matching Fund Grant for a beach enhancement project at Madrona Park provides for a play sculpture made of natural materials which is compatible with the historic Olmsted park concepts. Beth Purcell of John Forrest Barker, Landscape Architects, was chosen to develop and implement the design for the play sculpture. Design meetings of the Beach Committee with Purcell and Barker are open to all interested parties. For the time and place, please call Kathleen Roark. The concepts for three possible designs at three possible cost levels will be presented at the Madrona Shelter House on June 28th at 7:30p. This meeting will decide the general look and scope of the project desired by the community. A presentation of the final concept will be made at a public meeting at 7:30pm at St. Therese gym on July 12th. After approval of the final concept and cost estimates, a major fundraising effort will be undertaken. If you want to donate money, volunteer time, or have an idea for fundraising, please call Ingrid Beach. Committee members included: Ingrid Beach (322-1370), Jim Jessup (322-2121), Walt Niemela (726-0361), Anne Knight (329-9329) and Kathleen Roark (328-2296d, 324-9487e).



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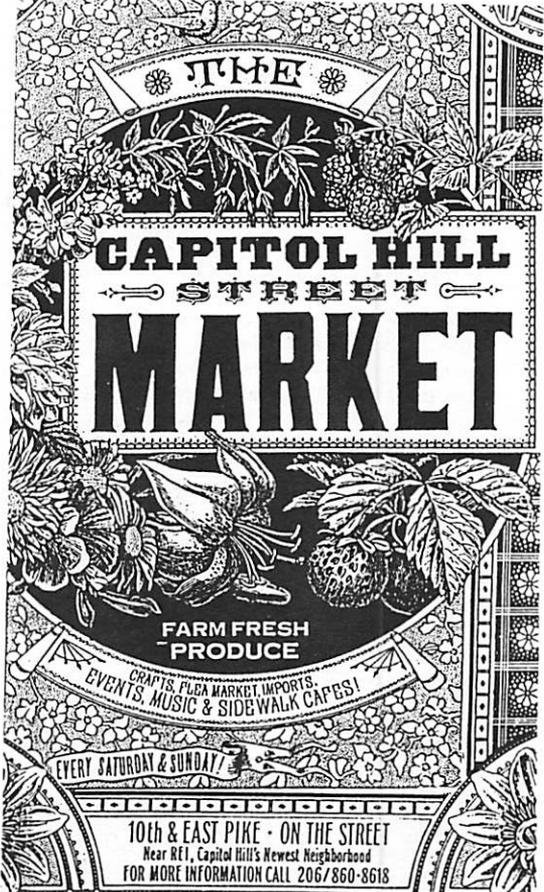
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*Madrona Sally Goldmark Library*



Come join the Madrona Community Council on June 19 at Noon to celebrate our neighborhood as a host to urban wildlife. Surrounded by the animals of the Peaceable Kingdom sculpture at the Madrona Sally Goldmark Library, we will affirm our commitment to providing a home for wildlife in our neighborhood by planting a magnificent dawn redwood tree and dedicating a bench at the library. Our hope is that in the years to follow, this tree will become a landmark and a beacon for our commitment to community.

## *Madrona Artwalk*

It is time for the second annual Madrona Artwalk, scheduled for Saturday, August 13th from 12pm to 6pm in the Madrona business district centered at 34th and Union. There will be lots of art to see, food at our Madrona restaurants, cafes and stores, and music to enjoy. Any one wishing to be involved, to show and sell their artwork or to play music, please call Vickie at SkyVisions, 328-4246. Any ideas and help is welcome. See you there!

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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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