

MADRONA NEWS

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Dine Out a Big Hit

By Elizabeth Sanders

Scores hungry of Madrona Playfield supporters braved the rain and cold on October 24th to Dine Out for the Park. Madrona restaurants were filled to capacity, and 34th was lined with pumpkins and welcome signs. Young Madrona residents in costume, LaToya, Sarharra, Christina, Rachel, Maddie, and Miranda, visited the restaurants handing out candy and flowers to thank the diners. Over \$2,500 was raised to help fund the final stage of the Playfield's rebirth.

The Dine Out committee, Katrina Davis, Beth Purcell and Elizabeth Sanders, send out a huge thank you to all the amazing people who turned out for the event. This long list includes those who served as Table Captains and brought friends from far and near, and all the restaurant owners and staff who worked extra hard that night and then donated a percentage of their proceeds to the Playfield—Carlos at Dulces Latin Bistro, Mike at The Hi-Spot, Tova & Chris at Supreme, Kurry at Café Soleil, Burke & Mike at The Madrona Ale House, John at St. Clouds, and Naomi at Villa Victoria Mexican Take-out. We also appreciate the support of Nisha at Fleurish who donated the beautiful flowers; Fred & Mike at Union Street Red Apple for advertising; Rohaj & Tompah at Madrona Deli and all the retailers on 34th for promoting the event. Thanks too to the St. Therese Girl Scout Troop for making it possible for parents to enjoy a kid-free night out by providing childcare, to all those folks who made extra donations, and to Playfield Reps Ann Hollar, Marie Doyle, Sayre Coombs, and Donna Lou who volunteered their time.

It's not too late to send your donation to Friends of Madrona Playfield, 816 30th Ave, Seattle, 98122. Here's a wonderful gift idea: buy one of the bronze leaves that will decorate the new grand entry to the park and the seat wall of the native plant garden. These personalized leaves are available in two sizes, for \$60 or \$150. Contact Donna Lou for an order form at 329-3219 or by email at lou_bladsin@hotmail.com.

MCC President's Corner

Monthly Neighborhood Update

By Bill Hanson

We had a great **Halloween Party** for our community's kids; a special thanks to Marie Doyle for putting on this wonderful event. Marie sends her thanks to Donna Lou, Mary Doyle (Marie's mom), Lysle Wilhelmi, Inez Lindsey, Megan Shethars, Germaine D'Anniballe, Inga Johnson, Ann Hollar, Pam Hay, Shelly Heustis, Jerry Arbes, La Toya, Sahara, & Kayla—and all the great ghouls and ghoulies who attended and gobbled up the goodies!

I would also like to thank everyone for making **Dine Out for the Park** a great success and raising lots of money to help with the Madrona Playfield renovations. Katrina Davis did a great job of organizing—thank you Katrina!

I attended the November 7th meeting on Madrona School and was very impressed by

the enthusiasm of **Principal Rickie Malone** and her staff to concentrate on student literacy issues. The meeting was well attended by parents of school-aged children and the numbers of people volunteering to help at the school impressed me. Way to go!

Unfortunately, I have received several complaints of **unleashed dogs** running in our neighborhood, especially around Al Larkins Parks at 34th and Spring. This park is not an off leash dog park. Be a good neighbor and keep your dog on a leash and remember to pick up after your pet. If you see a problem, call Animal Control at 386-4254 and they will come out and issue a ticket that can range up to \$500.

Madrona is very fortunate to be blessed with many wonderful streets. Unfortunately,

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Neighborhood Congrats!

We all know how special Madrona is, and word is getting around. Here are some of the recent accolades bestowed on our neighbors.

Supreme: Best New Restaurant of 2001 says *Seattle* magazine—a delicious award for chef Chris Hunter, partner Tova Cubert and interior designer Whiting Tennis.

Mary Bass: elected to the Seattle School Board position 5 with nearly 60% of the vote.

Richard Conlin: reelected to the Seattle City Council position 2 by over 61% of the vote.

Reilly Jensen, creator of the Penny, the Inside Out Pig, the penny-covered Pig on Parade that spent the summer in Madison Park and sold for \$21,000, the highest price paid for any razorback at the October charity auction.

Keep United Way Donations in Madrona

This time of year, many of us are participating in United Way fundraising campaigns at our work. As you complete your paperwork, remember that you can designate your dollars to ANY 501(c) 3 non-profit organization. Madrona has many worthy groups that would love your support. To name just a few:

- Madrona Community Council
- Friends of Madrona Playfield
- Friends of Madrona Woods
- Coyote Jr. High
- Dollars for Scholars
- Genesis House
- Private schools
- School PTAs
- Neighborhood churches

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some of our sidewalks are not being maintained. Remember it is the property owner's obligation to keep the sidewalk clear and in good repair. Also, sidewalks and planting strips are not for parking cars! If you see a problem, call 625-5011 with the license number and address. Seattle Police will issue tickets for these infractions and the city is always happy to accept the offenders' donations.

Speaking of money, we always need you to support *The Madrona News*. It costs about \$700 to print and mail each issue so please send your donations to MCC treasure Steve Orser at 833 33rd Ave, Seattle, WA 98122. Your contributions are greatly appreciated and, since we are a nonprofit organization, donations are tax deductible.

Our December 4th MCC meeting will start at 7:15pm in the Shelterhouse at Madrona Playfield. Please come and find out what is happening in your neighborhood. Seattle firefighters will be there to tell us about Medic One and other issues. We will also have an update on the Dorfell Drive Traffic Study being conducted by the Greater Madison Valley Community Council.

MCC Elections

By Nathan Goderstad

The 2002 Madrona Community Council (MCC) officers were elected at the November meeting. The slate of candidates was nominated by Kim Herber, seconded by Harvey Sadis, and approved by a unanimous voice vote of all Madrona residents in attendance.

Continuing to serve as President and Treasurer are Bill Hanson and Steve Orser, respectively. John Capps is now Vice President of Events and Suzanne Melillo Vice President of Community Issues. New to the MCC as Secretary is Nathan Goderstad of Schubert Place.

Please feel free to attend the monthly MCC meetings, at the Shelterhouse on the first Tuesday. You may also contact these officers with ideas, or issues regarding the Madrona community.

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Neighbors Honor Kimberly Traxler

By Shelley Heustis

On October 20, Madrona neighbors met at 31st and East Spring to support Mena Traxler on the 16th anniversary of her daughter's death. In 1985, at the age of 22, Kimberly was murdered, leaving behind her infant son Fred, who Mena raised. For 16 years, police could not find Kimberly's killer. However, this year, through DNA analysis, they linked her slaying to a man already in prison.

To support Mena and her family, neighbors purchased a commemorative plaque for Kimberly and replanted the traffic circle with flowers, most of which were donated by Swanson's Nursery. Neighbors gathered at sunset, placed the plaque in the traffic circle, surrounded it with lit candles, and joined hands as Mena's pastor lead the group in prayer. Then together the group sang "Amazing Grace" and "God Bless America."

Afterwards, neighbors gathered at Mena's home to share sympathy and love with the Traxler family. A photo on the refreshment table showed Mena, her sons Tony and Lafelton and smiling, beautiful Kimberly. In that photo, the words on the plaque shine through.

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The Doctor is In....

By Emily Cooper, MD, *Prevention Solutions*

Question: Is estrogen therapy helpful in preventing heart disease?

Answer: Because of estrogen's affect on cholesterol levels, physicians have commonly prescribed hormone therapy for prevention of heart disease during and after menopause. However, new conflicting evidence has prompted the American Heart Association to recommend **against** estrogen replacement therapy as a preventative for heart disease.

Several recent studies showed no benefit of estrogen therapy for coronary heart disease prevention in women. Additionally, studies showed up to a 52% increase in heart disease and an increased risk of stroke in women taking estrogen. More studies are now underway to further examine the role of hormone therapy on heart disease.

If you are taking estrogen, do discuss these new findings with your healthcare provider to determine whether estrogen is appropriate for you. The bottom line is that hormone therapy should no longer automatically be prescribed for prevention of coronary artery disease in women.

Welcome Ruby Cleaners

For ten years, Tom Thong periodically cruised Madrona, hoping to find a spot for his dry cleaning business. When at last he got word that the cabinet shop on 34th was moving, he got moving too. He closed Royal Cleaners at 14th & Pike, and his other businesses in Magnolia and Broadway and is now thrilled to press and steam in his dream location—downtown Madrona.

Tom and his wife/business partner Patty live in Beacon Hill but they are connected to Madrona not only by their business, but also by one of their three grown children, a daughter who lives on 34. And, while they may be new to the neighborhood, with 17 years of dry cleaning experience, they are not new to the business. In fact, several of their long-time customers now bring their clothes to Madrona for Tom's tender touch.

Ruby Cleaners does all their work on-site and Tom even maintains all his own equipment. Not too many people would be happy to receive a bag of dirty laundry as a Welcome to the Neighborhood gift, but for Tom and Patty, it would be just right.



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Neighborhood Groups Forming

Women's Reading Group: Do you like to read, live in the neighborhood and want to get to know some neighbors? Then join me in forming the Madrona Women's Reading Group! First reading: *The Corrections* by Jonathan Franzen. Exact meeting date, time and location to be arranged depending on who responds. If YOU are interested, please contact Angela Aaronson at 329-9573.

Evening Tots Playgroup: Are you a busy, working mom/dad/guardian interested in attending a neighborhood evening tots playgroup? The *YWCA Garfield Family Center* would like to offer an evening drop-in play group starting January 2002. Tentatively we envision a weekly playgroup that meets Wednesdays from 5:30-7:30pm in the Multipurpose Room of the Garfield Community Center at the corner of East Cherry and 23rd. If this sparks an interest for you and your little one(s)—ages 5 and under, we would love to hear from you! We are also interested in donation suggestions regarding the purchase of toys, mats and necessary play equipment for the playgroup. Would you be willing to give \$1 or \$2 to purchase toys or perhaps pay a small drop-in charge each week? We are also seeking donations/grant money from local toy distributors and organizations. Again, any suggestions would be welcomed! For more information or feedback, contact Cristi Benefield at 861-8248 or cbenefie@ywcaworks.org.

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Neighborhood School News

A Howling Good Time at St. Therese

By *Geeny Colas*

The 7th Grade Bulldogs really outdid themselves this year as they diligently organized themselves and worked as a team to put on our annual Halloween Carnival. Their teamwork paid off as they held the most successful bake sale of any class, raising record-breaking money to provide all the materials needed for a haunting good time!

Many students said the haunted house was the best and scariest ever and it was definitely the highlight of all the games and activities. Kids of all ages were given a real “fright” when the “monsters” unexpectedly jumped out of nowhere!

The success of this carnival can be attributed to excellent team effort. Everyone helped with brainstorming, organizing, building booths, setting up, running activities, and cleaning up. The team also thanks Mr. Van Borkulo, Interim Vice-Principal, for his assistance. Congratulations to the Bulldogs for their collaboration in bringing individual skills and talents together for such a fun and exciting event.

St. Therese Baseball and Unity

By *Suzanne Hunter, Reading Specialist and Barbara Henderson, Librarian*

This fall we launched a school-wide unit on baseball and unity. We wanted the students—from Kindergarten to 8th grade—to learn about America’s favorite pastime because it mirrors U.S. history. The culminating activity was an All-Star baseball game on November 1. Students explored how the game is played and the historical context in which it developed, including the Negro Leagues and the necessity for their formation. They watched videos, learned about the mechanics of the game, and read books about baseball such as “Say Hey! A Song for Willie Mays”. Students created art projects, and learned songs like “Take Me Out To The Ball Game” and “God Bless America”. Some of the younger students had never played baseball before and were excited about learning the basics. The 3rd and 4th graders toured Safeco Field and the older students visited baseball Web sites and manipulated statistical data.

One of the main reasons we conducted the unit is because we love the Mariners. With players from all around the world, their team shows how multicultural America really is.

New Madrona K-8 School Design

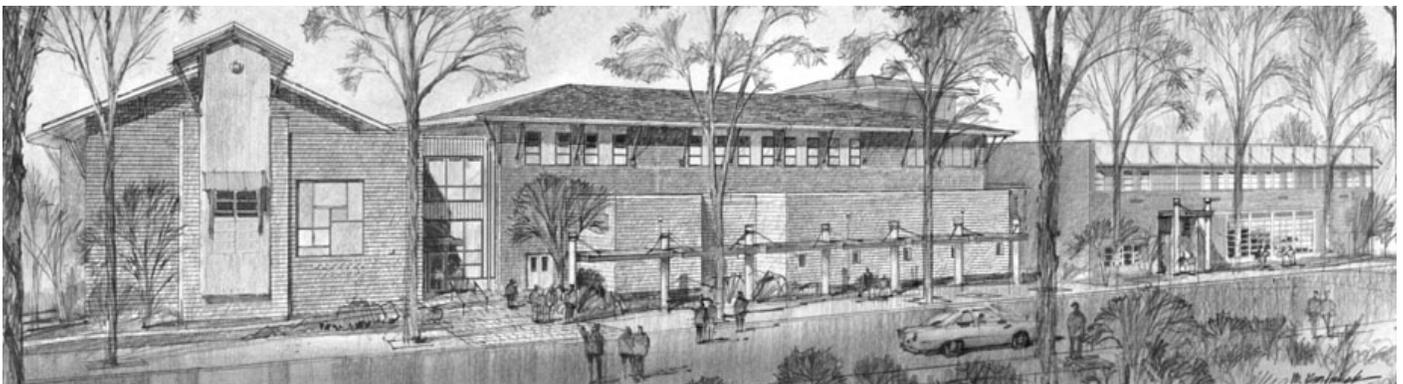
By *Ivan Chabra, DLR Group*

The renovation and addition to Madrona School will add facilities for the community, reorganize the school for use as a K-8 facility, and bring the entire building up to current seismic, programmatic, technology, and environmental standards. The 1917 structure was demolished, and the 34,400-sf 1961 building is going through a complete renovation to house the elementary classrooms, a childcare facility, administrative offices, and a library. A new 30,300-sf addition will accommodate the gymnasium, covered play, commons, kitchen, stage, and the 6th-8th grade classrooms. The exterior will be a combination of brick, concrete masonry, and brightly colored metals panels. Completion is scheduled for August 2002.

The 2-story building on the 1.8 acre site springs from the staff’s desire to operate the 6th-8th grades as a “school-within-a-school,” giving these older students the benefit of a small, separate school environment. A central core with the shared gym, sized to fit a full competition basketball court, and commons separate the K-5 and 6-8 wings. Both wings will have separate bathrooms and the kindergarten and childcare rooms will have their own bathroom facilities. A movable partition between the gym and lunchroom/auditorium creates a large space for both school and community events. Two play areas, one for childcare and kindergarten and one for older children, will be located along 32nd. These spaces are broken up into several areas to allow for different kinds of activities, including covered outdoor play. The main school entrance will stay where it has been, with an entrance to the 6-8 wing added at the southern end of 33rd.

The elliptical structure on Union Street will face onto a public area and form a backdrop for a “MADRONA” sign and Madrona tree sculpture created by Tom Flood of Madrona Automatic. This will become a recognizable gateway to the neighborhood and add a playful public face to the school.

The architects, DLR Group, recently completed Whittier, Dunlap, and Emerson elementary schools. Heery International is the project management firm hired by the school district to manage all its projects. For more information, contact DLR at 461-6000 or the Heery on-site project manager at Sean Ryan at 324-2586.



Neighborhood School News

Community School Dialogue

By Karen Weisman & Jon Hughes

Madrona School K-8 teachers and members of the Madrona community met for a productive and momentous dialogue on November 7th. The teachers enjoyed sharing themselves and hearing what the community is looking for in a community school. The community was glad that Principal Rickie Malone was straightforward and dealt directly with complicated issues as she provided her vision for the school: a neighborhood school, a school for all children, and a school with high-achieving students. Much was learned (and rumors quashed) about the academic programs in the school. Principal Malone summed it up nicely when she said "Whether you send your children to Madrona or another school, this is still your community school and we welcome your participation."

University of Washington professor Ed Taylor and John Morefield, former Hawthorne Elementary principal and Danforth associate, talked about the partnership Madrona has with the UW, the businessmen providing financial support, and the 5-year plan to help the school realize its potential.

Madrona K-8 staff at the well-attended meeting were:

- **Andhra Lutz**, assistant principal, who discussed the Safe and Civil program and the improving school climate.
- **Rosie Taylor**, coordinator for Gear-Up, an after school college preparatory program supported by several members of the community.
- **Susan Kohn** and **James Peterson**, middle school teachers who described how their students are divided into classes based upon ability, not just grade.
- **Susie Murphy**, literacy advisor and Danforth intern, who elaborated on the many ways the teachers are tackling reading skills.
- **Karen Weisman** and **Andy Olson**, 3rd and 4th grade teachers who discussed the elementary programming that currently has students studying ecosystems and food chemistry. They described taking their classes on a trip to Mt. St. Helens in conjunction with their geology studies, and how student assignments are made within classrooms based on student ability, with all students working on challenging assignments.
- **Artrese Hartman**, the new parent/volunteer/community coordinator, who just arrived at Madrona and is ready to serve the school and the community.

The school extended an invitation to the community to attend the winter school performance on December 20th. Teachers also thanked Martin Luther King School for allowing them to hold parent/teachers conferences on their campus to spare Madrona K-8 parents the need to travel to Lincoln.

Seeing is believing and Principal Malone encourages Madrona parents and residents to visit the school to learn about all their exciting things. To arrange a tour, please call ahead 726-6690; to volunteer, contact Artrese Hartman at the school or at ashartman@seattleschools.org. To be added to the community e-mail group about Madrona K-8, e-mail Jon Hughes at hughes@drizzle.com.

Thank You Gear-up Volunteers

By Shelley Huestis & Rosie Taylor

Special thanks to everyone who have taken time to give presentations to the students in the Madrona School Gear-up Program. Many others have also agreed to talk about their career in the future—and there's always room for more volunteers! Madrona School and the Madrona community thank all of you!!!!

- Andrew Borges, Rohleder, Borges, Fleming Architecture
- Ben Chotzen, Landmark Realty
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- Dutch Meyer, artist
- Tom Pages, MS NBC
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Epiphany Helps 9/11

By Maryanne Howard

In response to the September 11th tragedy in New York City, the students, parents and faculty at Epiphany School raised \$820.63 for the American Red Cross. The school carnival raised \$453.94 at the Red Cross booth and the Fifth Grade Bake Sale raised \$366.69. Many thanks to everyone who participated, especially the 5th-grade class, their parent coordinators, and teachers Cheryl Packwood, Jacqueline Witter, Lynn Perkins and Madrona's own Deirdre McCrary.

Epiphany School at 3710 East Howell is accepting applications for admission for children pre-kindergarten through 6th grade. For more information 720-7663.

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Holiday Shopping at Porcelain Studios

By Ginny Conrow

The studios of Madrona clay artists Ginny Conrow and Kathryn Allen at 1429 and 1431 34th will open November 30, 4-9pm, as part of the annual city-wide Seattle Sampling, a Holiday Tour of Crafts. Seattle Sampling encourages crafts buyers and holiday shoppers to stay connected to the makers of crafts, in places far away from holiday frenzy and shopping malls. These nationally acclaimed artists will be on hand to meet visitors and answer questions. The show continues weekends, with several special events, until Christmas and by appointment.

At 1:00 on December 8, internationally known fabric artist Kate Beck will present a fashion show of her signature shibori dyed silk clothing, accented by Jana Cooper's whimsical jewelry. On December 15 at 2:00, Ikebana teacher Lili Hall will demonstrate flower arranging, using a variety of Conrow's vases.

Ginny Conrow specializes in crystalline-glazed porcelain pieces, individually cut and altered, both decorative and functional. Kathryn Allen creates architecturally-inspired vessels, vases and wall murals. New work by fabric artist Kate Beck, jewelers Laura Baker and Jana Cooper, and sculptor Barry Namm add texture and sparkle to create a display of talent and craftsmanship. For more information, call the studios at 324-0734 and 720-1774.

Madrona Holiday Arts & Crafts Festival

Saturday December 8th, 10:00 - 6:00pm
Madrona Plaza
1421 34th Ave., between Union & Pike

Come wander through more than a dozen local artists and craftpersons wonderful assortment of handmade gifts and treasures. Beautiful jewelry, luxurious pillows, greeting cards, floral art, quilts, scrapbooks, pottery, candles, and much, much more! Do some holiday shopping while enjoying delicious refreshments in a delightfully festive atmosphere. It's a Madrona neighborhood tradition, come join the fun. We look forward to seeing you there! For more info contact Jayson Twombly 328-0543.

Kathryn Allen Clay Studio

Get Out with the Y

The Meredith Mathews East Madison YMCA offers a variety of low cost days trips for active older adults and provides overnight childcare so parents can enjoy a peaceful night out. Upcoming senior trips are:

- November 15, African American Artists, Tacoma Art Museum
- December 6, Point Defiance Zoo Lites, Tacoma
- December 15, Singing Christmas Tree, Renton Assembly Church

If you're a parent not yet ready for the senior circuit, you might be interested in the Y's monthly Parent Night Out overnight childcare for kids 7 to 13. The evening includes swimming, games, and other cool kid activities; dinner and a light breakfast are provided. The next chances for parental freedom are November 16 & 17 and December 21 & 22. For more info call 322-6969.



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- 7:30-8:45—5th Ave between Broad and Jackson
- 7:30-8:45—5th Ave between Jackson and Dearborn
- 7:30 to 1:00—Lakeside Ave S and Lake Washington Blvd between I-90 and Madrona Dr.
- 8:05-1:45—McGilva Blvd and Madison/ Lake Washington Blvd
- 8:15-1:45—Interlaken between Lake Washington Blvd and 24th
- 8:15-2:05—Interlaken between 24th and Roanoke
- 8:25-3:45—Roanoke, Bolyston and Lakeview between 11th and Eastlake
- 8:30-4:00—Eastlake and Republican between Mercer and Dexter

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How to Sell Your Home On The Fast Track

By Gerard M. Stannard, Coldwell Banker Bain Associates

Part 1 of 3

It's every home seller's dream—a fast sale. In today's market, crossing the finish line first isn't a matter of luck. To win the home-sale race, you have to stay ahead of the pack. Here are three key ways you can get your home on the fast track:

- 1) price the house right
- 2) market the house competitively, and
- 3) make sure the house is in move-in condition.

Price the House Right. Where will family members go most often from their new home? How easy is it to reach those places from the house? How accessible are schools, churches, grocery stores, medical care, public transportation, shopping malls and emergency services? All these answers greatly impact what people will pay for a home.

A survey by the National Association of Realtors found homes that sell within four weeks of the initial listing sold for close to the original asking price. Homes on the market for up to six months sold for about 7% less. Listings that languished for more than six months sold for 15% less. Be realistic—experience shows that an over-priced home is a slow-to-sell home.

Interest rates, economic trends and the availability of homes in your area will all affect your home's value. A competitive market analysis can help you determine the best possible price—one that puts the most money in your pocket and gets the house sold fast. A qualified real estate agent will study listings and selling prices in your neighborhood and compare your home's special features, improvements and condition. These experts know what today's buyers want and are willing to pay and they can make sure that you and your home are positioned right to get started on the fast track.

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- November 16-17, 6:45pm PARENT'S NIGHT OUT CHILDCARE FOR KIDS 7 TO 13—YMCA, 322-6969
- November 16, 6:30 COYOTE JR. HIGH AUCTION —Fairview Club, Mary Beth Satterlee 323-7276
- November 17, 10-4 SATURDAY CHILDCARE FOR KIDS 2 TO 9—St. Therese Girl Scout Troop 2201, Susan Doderlein 328-3236
- November 17, PLATFORM FROST EXHIBITS ENDS — Visual Abstractions Gallery, Weldon Butler 975-2244
- November 25, 7:30am SEATTLE MARATHON—www.seattlemarathon.org
- November 27, 7:00 BOOK DISCUSSION: "THE LONE RANGER & TONTO FISTFIGHT IN HEAVEN"—Neighborhood Academy, 521-1100
- November 28 9:00 ST. THERESE 6TH GRADERS IN MADRONA WOODS—Kristen Moss, 324-0460
- November 29, 7:00 RAISING AN EMOTIONALLY INTELLIGENT CHILD-THE HEART OF PARENTING WITH DR. JOHN GOTTMAN—Town Hall, Angela Aaronson 329-9573
- November 30, 4-9 SEATTLE SAMPLING HOLIDAY CRAFT TOUR—Ginny Conrow and Kathryn Allen Studios, 324-0734 and 720-1774
- December 1, 10:00 CLASS: DEVELOPMENT BY DESIGN: SHAPING THE SHAPE OF THINGS TO COME—Miller Community Center, Randy Wiger 684-0719 x1
- December 4, 7:15 MADRONA COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING—Madrona Playfield Shelterhouse, Bill Hanson 323-3450
- December 5, 9:00 ST. THERESE 6TH GRADERS IN MADRONA WOODS—Kristen Moss 324-0460
- December 6, 3:30 SR DAY TRIP POINT DEFIANCE ZOO LITES—YMCA, 322-6969
- December 7, DEADLINE FOR MADRONA NEWS STORIES—Kim Herber 325-9923 or christine@conversation.com
- December 7, 6:00 MADRONA MOM'S PLAYGROUP—Shelley Heustis 322-8004
- December 8, 10-6 MADRONA HOLIDAY ARTS & CRAFTS FESTIVAL — Madrona Plaza, Jayson Twombly 328-0543
- December 8 & 9, 10-5 SEATTLE SAMPLING HOLIDAY CRAFT TOUR—Ginny Conrow and Kathryn Allen Studios, 324-0734 and 720-1774
- December 8, 10:00 CLASS: COMMUNITY POWER ANALYSIS: A CASE STUDY—Miller Community Center, Randy Wiger 684-0719 x1
- December 8, 1:00 SHIBORI DYED SILK CLOTHING FASHION SHOW—Conrow Studio, 324-0734
- December 11, 7:00 FREE CLASS: BEDAZZLED WITH BEADS—Neighborhood Academy 521-1100
- December 14, 5:00 MADRONA NEWS LABEL PARTY—Madrona Ale House, Kim Herber 325-9923
- December 15, 10-4 SATURDAY CHILDCARE FOR KIDS 2 TO 9—St. Therese Girl Scout Troop 2201, Susan Doderlein 328-3236
- December 15, 10:00 MADRONA WOODS WORK PARTY—38th Ave. Entrance, Judith Starbuck 322-2640
- December 15, 2:00 IKEBANA FLOWER ARRANGING DEMONSTRATION—Conrow Studio 324-0734
- December 15, 3:00 SR. DAY TRIP: SINGING CHRISTMAS TREE, RENTON ASSEMBLY CHURCH—YMCA, 322-6969
- December 18, TBD, CLASS: BUILDING COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS—Miller Community Center, Randy Wiger 684-0719 x1
- December 19, 9:00 ST. THERESE 6TH GRADERS IN MADRONA WOODS—Kristen Moss 324-0460
- December 20 WINTER SCHOOL PERFORMANCE —Madrona K-8 School, Rickie Malone 726-6690
- December 21, 6:00 MADRONA MOM'S PLAYGROUP—Shelley Heustis 322-8004
- December 21-22, 6:45pm PARENT'S NIGHT OUT OVERNIGHT CHILDCARE FOR KIDS 7 TO 13—YMCA, 322-6969