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Madrona NEWS

Newsletter Of The Madrona Community Council

Member of Seattle Community Council Federation

Notes from the President by Shirley Solomon

The past month has been a busy one for the Community Council with the Halloween Gathering, the Third Annual Holiday Arts Festival, and the traffic revisions on 32nd Avenue.

The *Halloween Gathering*, an open house held at the beautifully decorated Shelter House at Madrona Playfield, served candy, cupcakes, and hot cider and provided light sticks to well over 150 residents of all ages. Particularly popular was the Polaroid photo opportunity, where a dollar bought a picture of yourself or your kids in high Halloween regalia in the company of Mr. Pumpkinhead. It was a particularly nice way to spend a neighborhood holiday and we hope to make it an annual event. Thanks to Jerry Arbes, Anne Knight, Luisa Nims, Martin Sellars and Terri Spaccarotelli for their decorating genius, to Curt Miller and Jill Gordon for their artfully carved pumpkins and to all those who donated the good things to eat and generally helped out.

The *Holiday Arts Festival* was a smash hit. It was two days of pleasant times and wonderful selections of high quality crafts. Not only did it add around \$2,000 to the lean Community Council coffers but it also provided a venue for neighborly interaction. Our grateful thanks to Terri Spaccarotelli for undertaking this effort and doing a marvelous job for the third time in a row. Our thanks to all the volunteers who gave of their time throughout the two days, and those who helped set up initially and clean up afterwards. Particular thanks to young James Washington who helped out both days. For him, this one lucky time, goodness was not his only reward. He won the one raffle item he truly coveted: the magnificent black and purple bicycle helmet donated by Terri. Thanks also go to the many generous donators which helped make the Raffle a smash hit.

The *32nd Avenue Traffic Revisions* came unexpectedly to many residents, despite numerous notifications over a number of months in the newsletter. Because of this, the Board passed a motion on November 7th directing the Transportation Committee to re-examine the issue and report back to the MCC Board in February (see article). I encourage you to participate in this Committee if this issue is of significance to you.

I also encourage everyone to come and meet the new *Superintendent of Seattle Public Schools, John Stanford, on Tuesday, November 21, 7:15pm at Madrona School*. This program is co-sponsored by Madrona Community Council, Madrona Site Council and Madrona PTSA. Please join us to hear about Superintendent Stanford's vision for our schools.

Finally, I want you all to know that we are going to be working hard to reach out beyond those who always participate in neighborhood activities. We love and appreciate our activists, those who can always be counted on to show up, get engaged, and help out. But what we are really after are new faces who can help build a better community. Come join us! And when you walk the streets of this lovely place of ours, smile and say "Hello, neighbor."

Madrona
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Meet John Stanford
New School Superintendent
Tuesday, November 21, 7:15pm

The Madrona community has an excellent opportunity to meet *John Stanford*, new Superintendent of Seattle Public Schools on *Tuesday, November 21, 7:15pm* at Madrona Elementary School. Join us to hear Superintendent Stanford discuss his vision for Seattle schools, followed by a short Question & Answer session and ending with an informal gathering over coffee and cookies. The event is sponsored by the Madrona Community Council, the Madrona Site Council and Madrona PTSA.

Transportation Committee Meeting January 4th, 1996, 7:15pm by Bill Hanson

On Thursday, January 4, 1996, 7:15pm at Madrona School, 1121 33rd Avenue, the Madrona Transportation/Traffic Planning Meeting will be held. The meeting will:

- * Discuss the goals and objectives of the Madrona Transportation Plan;
- * Provide for an overall review, comments, and assessment of past projects, such as the traffic sign changes on 32nd and the 2 hour parking in the business district;
- * Discuss projects being planned for 1996 such as making 33rd Avenue in front of the Madrona School between Union and Spring a one way for the increased safety of the children using the school and library and moving the bus stop at the northeast corner of 34th and Pike to the southeast corner;
- * Develop strategies for funding the back log of traffic circle projects (5 approved circles waiting for funding and 5 more in the planning stages); and
- * Identify other traffic/transportation projects that should be undertaken in the future.

Bring your ideas on ways traffic/transportation planning can improve the livability of our community to the meeting. The Transportation Committee looks forward to meeting with you.



Celebrate the Holiday Season!

During the weekend of December 1 to 3 several neighborhood artists will be opening their studios as part of a city-wide *Seattle Sampling* of fine crafts. The studios will be open on Friday, December 1, 4 to 9pm, and Saturday-Sunday, December 2 & 3, 11am to 5pm.

Ginny Conrow and Kathryn Allen, with studios in the Madrona business district, have invited five artists to share the event. Silk clothing, metal sculpture, contemporary jewelry, paintings on porcelain and dried flower creations will join their nationally recognized porcelain by Conrow and raku by Allan. In addition to the special hours on December 1-3, Conrow Porcelain Studio, 1429 34th Avenue (324-0734) and Kathryn Allen Clay Studios, 1431 34th Avenue (720-1774) will be open Thursday - Sunday 11am to 5pm until Christmas and by appointment.

DeeDee Rainbow, Madrona's colorful eccentric, displays her iridescent dragons and clay vessels, joined by crafts people showing fabric sculpture, fused and stained glass, porcelain tableware and jewelry at 1704 36th Ave, during the special hours on December 1-3, or by special appointment, 323-7787

Another Holiday Open House

Madrona artist *Susan Roberts* will be having a showing of her drawings, watercolors and oil paintings at her home on Friday, December 1, 5 to 9pm, and again on Saturday-Sunday, December 2-3, 10:30am to 4pm. Come to 1130 36th Avenue for hot spiced cider and hot spiced artwork. Also by appointment, please call 329-7322.



SUSAN ROBERTS
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Holiday Open House 1130 36th Avenue
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Saturday-Sunday, December 2-3, 10:30am-4pm

1995 Holiday Show

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Ginny Conrow - Porcelain fountains, flower containers, and wall pieces.

Kate Beck - Shibori silks, unique clothing and accessories.

Lisa Krober - Unique garden creations with fresh dried flowers.

Sandy Thatcher - Figurative work on porcelain.

Opening: Fri. Dec. 1, 4-9 p.m.

Sat. & Sun., Dec. 2-3, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Continuing: Dec. 7-24, Thurs.-Sun., 11 a.m.-5 p.m.
(and by appointment)

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* *Rainbow House in Madrona* *
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Artists:

DEE DEE RAINBOW - Hand built ceramic sculptures with crystals, gems & blown glass. Thrice fired with real gold in luster glazes. Angels, dragons and turtles featured this season along with imaginative functional work.

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Madrona Holiday Arts and Crafts Festival Another TERRIfic Success

Buttons and bunnies, frogs and frames, stamps and slippers, linoleum prints and lithographs—what an incredible selection of artwork! From the traditional to the whimsical, the Third Annual Madrona Holiday Arts and Crafts Festival was again a fun neighborhood event. More than \$2000 was raised for community activities and the Madrona Elementary music program.

With more than 80 artists participating, it was not difficult to find these perfect, one-of-a-kind holiday gifts. As always, a main attraction at the show was the New England-style raffle. Many shoppers come especially for this because they know if they win they will receive the prizes they want. The donors enjoy this, also, as a great way to promote their businesses and services. Congratulations to all of the winners! Very special thanks to the donors who really make the raffle so much fun: Hi-Spot, Plenty, Cafe Soleil, Madrona Homestyle Deli, Wild and Scenic River Tours, Madrona Woodshop, Cool Hand Luke's, Fantastic Windows, Vickie Vellinga, Wilridge Winery, Carol's Essentials, Shirley Solomon, Jessica Dougal, Terri Benson Spaccarotelli, and the Madrona Community Council.

Any event of this magnitude cannot succeed without the tireless efforts of a number of volunteers. Big thank yous to: Curt Miller, Shirley Solomon, Dolores Benson, Kevin Fisher, Jill Gordon, Lynn Chelimer, Anabel Cole, Susan Roberts, Orlando Nuckols, James Washington, Joan McNabb, Daisy Christensen, Luisa Nims, Martin "Mr. Raffle" Sellars (what an appropriate name!), Doug Tooley, Jerry Arbes, Nancy Pew, Jody and Mark Clagg, Kathleen Roark and Jim Straatman. There were several people who "just appeared" to offer their assistance...thank you!

Chris, Nicholas and Mario Spaccarotelli supported and tolerated above and beyond the call of duty and probably had the most difficult job of all. Thank you so much!

Plans for next year's Holiday Arts Festival began before this year's show was over, however we are looking for a new organizing committee. All of the information and assistance a committee could possibly need is available by simply giving Terri a call at 329-3556.

Editor's Note: On behalf of the entire Madrona community, we would like to extend a HUGE thank you to Terri for her incredible dedication and hard work in coordinating the Holiday Arts and Crafts Festival over the last three years. Through her efforts over \$6000 have been raised in the last three years for community programs. If you would like to see this important community activity continue, please call Terri to volunteer for next year's committee. We need to identify additional volunteers now if the tradition is to continue.)



Who is John Stanford?

John Henry Stanford was appointed Superintendent of Seattle Public Schools by the Seattle Public Schools Board of Directors, effective September 1, 1995.

Mr. Stanford came to Seattle from Fulton County, Georgia (which encompasses Atlanta) where he served as Fulton County Manager. There, Mr. Stanford managed an employee force of more than 5,000 and oversaw a budget of approximately a half-billion dollars.

Prior to his position as County Manager, Mr. Stanford completed a 30-year career as an officer in the United States Army. Mr. Stanford has extensive experience in leadership, logistics management, procurement, finance, personnel management and strategic planning. He held the rank of major general and was director of plans, programs, and policy of the U.S. Transportation Command, Scott Air Force Base.

Mr. Stanford served in the Pentagon as military assistant to the Under Secretary of the Army during the Carter Administration, 1977-1979; executive assistant to the Special Assistant to the Secretary of Defense, 1981; and special assistant and executive secretary during the Reagan Administration to Secretary of Defense Caspar Weinberger, 1981-1984. He served in a number of CEO positions of billion-dollar logistics operations during his seven years as a general officer.

A native of Yeaden, Pennsylvania, Mr. Stanford graduated from Pennsylvania State University in 1961 with a bachelors degree in political science. He earned a masters degree in personnel management and administration from Central Michigan University. His military education includes the Infantry School, the Army Aviation School, the Transportation School, the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College, and the Industrial College of the Armed Forces.

Mr. Stanford has spoken extensively to industry groups, private corporations, top universities and defense organizations on topics such as leadership, values, communication, effective motivational techniques.

Mr. Stanford is married to Patricia Corley. They have two children, Steven and Scott.

Now that you know a little about Superintendent Stanford's background, come learn about his vision for the future of the Seattle Public Schools. Join with your neighbors on Tuesday, November 21, 7:15 at Madrona School to meet and greet our new public school superintendent, John Stanford.

Fundraising Workshop

You're sitting on a potential gold mine of resources for your community and you are the prospector! Come learn how to mine these resources at a fundraising workshop offered by the Department of Neighborhoods. The workshop is for grassroots community groups and other neighborhood activists. At this workshop you will learn how to develop a comprehensive fundraising plan and how to tap into all the resources of the community. The workshop will take place on *Saturday, December 2, 1995 from 9am to 12:30pm at Seattle University*, Student Union Building, Second Floor. Please register by Thursday, November 30, 1995. For more information and to register, please call the Department of Neighborhoods at 684-0464.

What are you thinking?

Your thoughts, stories, questions, comments, poems, drawings, and *your ideas* for the Madrona neighborhood and Madrona Newsletter are always welcome. Please send them to Newsletter Editor, 1122 36th Avenue, Seattle 98122. The deadline for the next Newsletter is January 6.

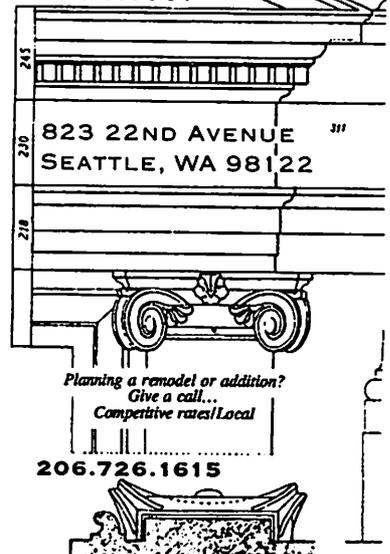


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Meet New Neighbors

Thanks to the neighbors who met this fall at Dulce's Restaurant for another successful party to meet the neighbors. You missed it? Well, mark your calendars now for the next time--Saturday, January 27, 1996, 2pm at Dulce's. All are welcome with a special invitation to our new neighbors. Watch for additional information in the January newsletter.

Homeless Thanksgiving at Cafe Soleil

Cafe Soleil at 34th and Union will be serving a festive holiday dinner for the homeless from 5 to 7:30pm on Thanksgiving Day. If you know anyone in the neighborhood in need, please call to reserve. If you would like to donate pies or money, please call 325-1126. We thank Kuri Teshome at Cafe Soleil for this generous charitable effort.

Support Our Neighborhood Businesses

Now that the days have gotten shorter, the darkness arrives earlier and the winds and rains of winter are beating at our doors, we should still remember to support the businesses, merchants and restaurants in our neighborhood.

Clear the Drains, Clean the Sidewalks

As the winter weather approaches, we should all make a effort to clear the street drains and clean the sidewalks near our homes of fallen leaves in order to avoid flooding problems and make it safe and enjoyable to walk in Madrona through the winter. Also, remember to report streetlights that are flickering or out by calling 625-3000. All the streetlights in Madrona now have numbers on the poles which are useful when reporting problems and can help speed repairs.

Fresh Flowers

Check out the fresh cut flowers for sale at the Madrona Deli and Market! They really add a spot of welcome color in the business district. And remember, they do home deliveries, 324-5771.

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO THE NEWSLETTER

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Calendar

- Nov 21 Madrona Community Council Program Meeting**
7:15p An evening with new Seattle School Superintendent, John Stanford, sponsored by Madrona Community Council, Madrona Site Council, Madrona PTSA. See article. Madrona School, 33rd and Union.
- Dec 2 Neighborhoods Fundraising Workshop**
9a Workshop by Department of Neighborhoods on fundraising for neighborhood projects. Please call 684-0464 for more information or to register. Seattle University, Student Union Building.
- Dec 4 Madrona School Site Council Meeting**
7p Madrona School Library. All welcome.
- Dec 5 Madrona Community Council**
7:15p Working Meeting - Board and Committees Shelterhouse, 34th & Spring. Everyone welcome!
- Dec 17 Christmas Ship Visits Madrona Beach**
5p Join your neighbors to sing holiday songs and enjoy a cup of hot cider. Madrona Beach.
- Jan 2 Madrona Community Council**
7:15p Working Meeting - Board and Committees Shelterhouse, 34th & Spring. Everyone welcome!
- Jan 4 Madrona Community Council Transportation Committee - Meeting** to discuss Madrona traffic and transportation issues and solutions. Madrona School, 33rd and Union. Everyone welcome!
- Jan 27 Madrona New Neighbor Gathering**
2p Dulce's Restaurant, 34th & Pike. See attached notice

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Meet School Superintendent JOHN STANFORD
Tuesday, November 21, 1995 7:15pm
Madrona Elementary School