

November/December 1996

Madrona NEWS

Newsletter Of The Madrona Community Council

Member of Seattle Community Council Federation

Presidents's Corner

by Bill Hanson

The Madrona Community Council wishes everyone a happy and safe holiday season and a great new year! This has been a good year for the Council. We had some great events such as Neighborhood Appreciation Day, the Madrona MayFair, the Olympic Trail Cycle Races, the Madrona Rummage Sale, the Halloween "Trick or Treat" Gathering and the Fourth Annual Madrona Holiday Arts and Craft Festival, as well as several "New Neighbor Teas" at Dulce's. In addition, there will be the Christmas Ship gathering on Madrona Beach on December 15, starting at 4pm with carolling and hot cider. We were also successful in helping the community resolving the traffic safety problem in front of Madrona School and in helping Pacific Oaks College be a part of our neighborhood.

In 1997, we hope to continue our annual events and complete the 30th Avenue Beautification Project for which Ann Lennartz deserves a special thanks for the wonderful work she has done on this effort. Also, work will continue on the Madrona and Columbia Woods projects and hopefully we will resolve our continuing tax status problem. In addition, we plan to start our community outreach effort to encourage more involvement in your neighborhood events and projects, using the brochure being developed by Michael Kerns with a grant from the Department of Neighborhoods.

Many other issues need to be addressed, such as public safety, property tax assessments and affordable housing for all members of our community. But again, we need your involvement. There is a limit to what we can do without additional volunteers. We are planning to have a **Retreat on Saturday, January 11th at 9 am at the Shelter House, 34th and Spring**, to discuss all the issues and projects we should address in 1997. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend. Also, plan to attend our next regular community meeting on January 7, 1997 at the Shelter House.

I look forward to seeing a large community gathering on Madrona Beach on December 15th for songs and good cheer! See you there, and again — Happy Holidays and Happy New Year!



Madrona Welcomes the Holiday Ship

Sunday, December 15
4:00pm

Madrona Beach

Catch the Spirit, Share the Joy with caroling, a cup of hot spiced cider and the visit of the 1996 Holiday Ship at Madrona Beach from 5:05pm to 5:35pm featuring the Tahoma Girls Choir.

Madrona Beach activities sponsored by the Madrona Community Council, Seattle Department of Parks and Recreation and KIRO TV.

Madrona Woods

Community Outreach Project

by Mary Holm

Our application for the Small and Simple Matching Fund from the Department of Neighborhoods has been awarded a grant in the amount of \$5000 that will extend for a six month period beginning in November.

The grant will be used to hire landscape architect Becca Hanson, ASLA, a principal with The Portico Group, to survey the natural systems, analyze the issues and recommend a process toward a self-sustaining native flora, restoration of natural waterways and trails, appropriate low impact community use, and neighborhood care and understanding of the woods environment. The end product would be an implementation plan that clearly defines the "next step".

Members of the neighborhood will be involved by:

- 1) researching Madrona Woods history;
- 2) producing a large scale and a small scale site plan to document important features of the site and areas of special concern;
- 3) conducting a series of "weekend walks" with neighbors and various experts to introduce people to the place and familiarize them with the range of issues confronting the "Woods" future;
- 4) organize Community Open Houses and other educational presentations; and
- 5) recording volunteer hours.

Madrona residents are invited to join us by working on any of the following committees:

- Communications Committee
- Site Familiarization
- Community Outreach
- Historical Research

This is your chance to be active in the Madrona Community, to get to know your neighbors, and to help in the restoration of Madrona Woods. For more information on the project, please call Ann Bucher (323-8325), Joan Scott (324-6468), Ann Lennartz (322-3641) or Mary Holm, (329-9739). We need your help and support!

Madrona Artists Open Houses

Local clay artists Ginny Conrow, Kathryn Allen, and Dee Dee Rainbow open their studios December 6, 7, & 8 as part of the city-wide "Seattle Sampling" with 16 studios showing work by 50 nationally recognized artists. These three Madrona studios will host artists working in fabric, jewelry, metal, and glass as well as their own work.

Ginny Conrow's delicate porcelain pieces become cascading fountains, baskets, and a variety of vases and flower arrangers. Crystalline glazes add a new dimension to her unique style.

Kathryn Allen specializes in architectural tile works ranging from door surrounds (as seen at "Plenty") to fireplace facades in stoneware and raku. Her wall fragments, vessels and flower arrangement containers combine the spontaneity of raku crackle glaze with rigid geometric line and form.

Dee Dee Rainbow will be showing hand built ceramic sculpture with crystals, gems, blown glass and real gold in luster glazes. Angels, dragons, and turtles are featured this season along with imaginative functional work. Please see accompanying notices for more information or call Ginny at 324-0734, Kathryn at 720-1774, or Dee Dee at 323-7787.

In addition, Susan Roberts will be having a holiday showing of recent paintings, watercolors and ink drawings at her home, 1130 36th Avenue, on Saturday, December 7 from 10am to 7pm and on Sunday, December 8 from 10am to 4pm. Everyone is welcome! Also, her oil paintings are being shown at the Hi-Spot Cafe through the month of December.



HOLIDAY SHOW
NEW PAINTINGS
AND DRAWINGS
By Susan Roberts
SAT. DEC. 7, 10AM to 7PM
SUN. DEC. 8, 10AM to 4PM

AT HER HOME
1130 36th Ave
(NEAR UNION)

Also New Oil Paintings at the Hi-Spot Cafe through December

Carols Essentials Moves

We are sad that one of our neighborhood gift shops, Carol's Essentials, has moved...but we're happy it isn't far...just to 23rd and Union in Midtown Commons. We thank Carol for all of her support and help with community activities and events, including selling the Community Council mugs and T-shirts in her shop. Please visit Carol at her new location, 1106 23rd Avenue, near the Post Office. The phone number remains 322-9390. The next time your at the Post Office, stop in and say Hi!...we're sure she would enjoy seeing her old customers in her new shop.

CONROW
PORCELAIN STUDIO

1996 Holiday Show

Ginny Conrow - Porcelain fountains, vases, vessels, and new crystalline-glazed pieces.

Peggy Vanbianchi - Open-top glass candles with handmade collages.

Kate Beck - Shibori silks, unique clothing, and accessories.

Sandy Thatcher - Figurative work on porcelain.

Opening: Fri. Dec. 6, 4-9 p.m.

Sat. & Sun., Dec. 7&8, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Continuing: Dec. 13-22, Fri.-Sun., 11 a.m.-5 p.m.
(and by appointment)

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(Madrona between Union & Pike)



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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. Dragons, angels and turtles featured plus imaginative functional work.

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* Information: 323-7787 *

Madrona in the News

Try to get you hands on the current edition of The Seattle Press (11/20-12/3). Doug Tooley, Madrona Community Council secretary, has written a terrific article on Madrona—"Seattle's smallest urban village: A view from the inside of Madrona", which newcomers as well as long-time residents of the neighborhood should enjoy reading. It provides a good brief history of Madrona and some of the issues we are facing today. The Seattle Press is free at many businesses, but if you can't find it check the library or ask them to get a copy.

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| 29 \$7 Large Pizza Special  | 30 | 31 Closed- Happy New Year  | Winston Churchill addressed a graduating class at commencement with the speech "Never, ever, ever, ever give up." To my knowledge that is all he said at this speech. His brevity succeeded in adding focus to the words I admit. In that vein, our brunches have started with some fits and starts, but we are confident that you will find our omelets and cinnamon rolls to your liking. We open at 10 am Saturday and Sunday. | | | |
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"Livability in our Community" Resounding Success, 100 Attend

by Maid Adams

The forum on "Livability in our Community" sponsored by the Madrona Community Council was a resounding success with over 100 neighbors attending. The guest speaker for this exciting event was King County Councilmember Larry Gossett, the representative on the Council for our area. He spoke to the history of the Madrona Community Council as a positive influence for livability through community action and the importance of everyone in Madrona being involved in deciding what livability means to us and how to maintain it. He expressed a willingness to work with the community in providing information and in any other way he could be helpful.

Issues raised and discussed during the question and answer period included the geographical/racial division of 34th Avenue that still exists, a need for bus transportation on Martin Luther King Way, our high property taxes and the fact that the one way on 32nd Avenue, while benefiting some residents, has inconvenienced others.

Part of the meeting included a time for residents to visit the many tables and displays representing the various Community Council committees, with members of the committees there to answer questions and solicit participation, including John Capps (Transportation), Erika Pitrie (Business), Richard Conlin (Land Use and Planning), Ann Lennartz (Parks and Open Space), and Anabel Cole (Site Council). The Madrona Gardeners, Sally Goldmark Library and Pacific Oaks College also provided information and displays. Hal Kimball, principal at Madrona School, State Senator Dwight Pelz also attended.

Community Council President Bill Hanson urge anyone interested to become involved in a committee, since "for every issue that was mentioned there is a Council group wanting to work with you on your concerns."

Special thanks to Rogers Market, St. Therese, Madrona Presbyterian, Mt. Zion and Epiphany Churches for helping to get the word out, Carol Richman and Ann Lennartz for the cookies, our area businesses for posting the flyers, and Michael Kern for support and consultation. Your next opportunity to get involved to help keep Madrona livable is the Community Council meeting on January 7 or the Retreat on January 11.

Editors Note:

A big special thanks goes to Maid Adams for helping to pull this great event together. She is one of Madrona's long time volunteers, and its great to have her back volunteering her time with the Council.

Neighbor Appreciation Day



Remember, Neighbor Appreciation Day is coming up in February. Start thinking about special neighbors who you would like to nominate for special acknowledgment, and watch for more information and nomination procedures in the January newsletter. And also remember, you don't have to wait until February to appreciate you neighbors...everyday can be Neighbor Appreciation Day!

Madrona Community Council

Meeting Summary by Doug Tooley

October 28, 1996

Present: Erik Aasen, Maid Adams, Darrel Tymony, Marjorie Lutton, Jim Straatman, Bill Hanson, Doug Tooley, Jerry Arbes

Secretary's Report: Minutes adopted as submitted.

Treasurer's Report: (10/1/96-10/27/96): Income: \$1,941; expenses \$355.71, net \$1,585.52. Balance, \$3,110.98

501c(3) Application: Bill Hanson presented a letter from Laverne Woods regarding her needs for information for IRS non-profit status. After discussion Douglas Tooley agreed to complete this by early January.

Public Safety Chair: A volunteer is sought to chair the Public Safety Committee. This individual should work with the School and perhaps also schedule an event in January.

Thank You Letters: The responsibility for thank you letters was discussed. It was decided that the responsibility for drafting these letters should be with any event or project lead, but that the Secretary should check to see that they are sent.

Department of Neighborhood Grant: The MCC grant application for \$500, prepared by Michael Kern and submitted to the Department of Neighborhoods, has been approved after much delay. Michael expressed gratitude that the process was complete but also frustration at the amount of time spent on such a simple task.

Mailing List: The need for a more complete mailing list was discussed. Jerry Arbes will explore the possibility of carrier route deliver early next year. If still needed Douglas Tooley will work with Martin Sellars to update a household based list.

Next Meeting: The next meeting for the MCC will be January 7, 7:15 at the Shelterhouse.

Halloween Gathering A Howling Good Time

The Halloween Gathering at the Shelterhouse at Madrona Playfield, sponsored by the Madrona Community Council, was a fabulous success. Many, many ghosts, goblins, ghouls, power rangers and other assorted creatures of Halloween, along with their parents, showed up to be warmed by the fire, enjoy the hot cider and partake of a treat.

More than 300 people visited the festively decorated Shelterhouse during the three hour period. 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.

Special thanks to all who helped with organization, decorations, baked goods and treats...including Luisa Nims, Martin Sellars, Susan Roberts, John Welsh, Mrs. Mellonson, Ann Hollar, Marie Doyle, Anne Knight and Maureen Thompson. We hope to make this event an annual tradition and to make it better and better each year. Please call Jerry Arbes (329-9329) if you would like to help with the event next year.



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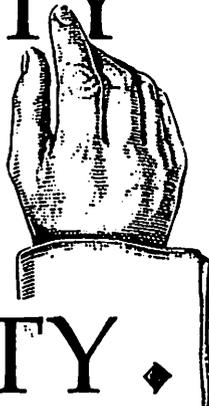
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Calendar

- Dec 6-8 Holiday Artists Show in Madrona**
See Articles and Notices on page 2.
- Dec 15 Christmas Ship Visits Madrona Beach**
4p Join your neighbors to sing holiday songs and enjoy a cup of hot cider. Madrona Beach.
- Jan 6 Madrona School Site Council Meeting**
7p Madrona School Library. All welcome!
- Jan 7 Madrona Community Council**
7:15p Working Meeting - Board and Committees Shelterhouse, 34th & Spring. Everyone welcome!
- Jan 10 Deadline for Next Newsletter**
Send articles to 1122 36th Avenue, 98122
- Jan 11 Madrona Community Council**
9a Planning Retreat
Shelterhouse, 34th & Spring. Everyone welcome!
- Jan 29 Madrona Gardeners**
7p Shelterhouse, 34th and Spring. All Welcome



*Happy Holidays and
Happy New Year!*

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 10.

Thank You To All Who Have Contributed To The Newsletter

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1603 34th Avenue, Seattle WA 98122.

Check Out Our Madrona Restaurants And Delis

by Susan Roberts

When it comes to food, Madrona offers an embarrassment of riches. We have establishments within a two block area which offer restaurant, deli and bar fare, groceries and catering. I'm listing them here to remind Madrona residents to USE and SUPPORT our businesses. They are award winning and deserving of our patronage. We're lucky to have them, so let's make them feel happy to have located in Madrona.

Mike Walker and Joanne Sugura have owned the Hi-Spot, a Madrona institution, for almost three years now, and it has changed with the times. Gone are the funky days of yesteryear - the decor is appealing, the food dependable and delicious, and the waitpeople professional but nice. Known as a breakfast and lunch favorite (the scones are to die for), the Hi-Spot is also open for dinner. The mussels we had there the other night (from Lopez Island) were incredible. Look for a show of my artwork there through December. (I couldn't resist.)

Next, in no particular order, is Cafe Soleil run by Kuri, who offers delicious European style breakfast and lunch, as well as memorable Ethiopian dinners. I am particularly partial to Kuri's delicious eggplant dishes. I love the ambience of her sun filled corner with its high ceilings. It reminds me for some reason of a cafe in Luxor, Egypt.

Take an appetite with you to Cool Hand Luke's, run effortlessly (it would seem) by Sharon and Curtis Luke. They have come up with their own blend of eclectic dishes and the restaurant's vast following is well deserved. I am partial to their shrimp dishes. They have been written up by John Hinterberger and others, and have appeared recently on TV for Cheap Eats.

Plenty, another Madrona must, is run by Loree, Rolf and Jim. You can pick up great deli creations for dinner at home, you can buy your groceries and fresh bread, or you can stick around and enjoy a lunch or dinner cooked up with all the abundant creativity of Jim Watkins, whose glories have been written up in the PI's Lifestyle Chef series. He's also included in John Hinterberger's cookbook of favorite Northwest chef's recipes.

The Madrona Deli Market has been owned by Tempay now for just over a year, and he has brought it into the Nineties. Groceries and fresh deli items are available in a pleasant, spotless environment. Tempay is a real community player, a regular advertiser in the newsletter and is seen daily out in front, sweeping his sidewalk squeaky clean. His "samosas", an Indian vegetable pastry, are fresh and delicious.

I have enjoyed beers and burgers with women friends at the Madrona Eatery and Ale House several times since they opened last summer. Its great to have a friendly neighborhood pub with good food and menu items for all the family. It is run by Burke and Jim.

Dena Lee runs Simply Elegant, a user friendly catering service specializing in delicious, healthy meals delivered to your door. Give her a call the next time you're having guests for dinner and you don't feel like cooking.

Dulce's Latin Bistro has been in Madrona for one and a half years offering wonderful dinners in an quiet romantic setting. Owners Julie Guerrero and Carlos Kainz specialize in a creative, delicious fusion of Spanish, Mexican, Regional, Provençal and Italian food. They were included in John Hinterberger's listing of top Seattle restaurants.

Thank you for reading all of this; now go out and EAT right here in your neighborhood.

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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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**Greet the Holiday Ships at Madrona Beach
Sunday, December 15th, 4pm**