

Madrona NEWS

Newsletter Of The Madrona Community Council Member of Seattle Community Council Federation

President's Corner *by Bill Hanson*

The Madrona Community Council needs your contributions to maintain our newsletter and other activities such as MayFair, the children's Halloween party and Neighbor Appreciation Day. The newsletter is our primary way of informing you of what's going on in your community. In this newsletter you will find information on the planned redesign of Madrona Elementary; plans for hiring a security guard at the Sally Goldmark Library; the renovation of Madrona Playfield; the latest on efforts to reduce airplane noise over our neighborhood; and upcoming meetings and activities.

We could just start posting articles on our web site, www.madrona.org, or setting up a list serve, but most of you have indicated the desire to have a hard copy. Remember your contributions to the Madrona Playground committee are used just for the renovation of Madrona Playfield, not the operation of Council events and the newsletter. So far in 1999, we have received \$5700 in donations for the newsletter and have spent \$7300 for printing and postage costs. We cannot continue to spend more than we are receiving. So we need your help!

Please mail your contributions to Steve Orser, MCC Treasurer, 833 33rd Ave, Seattle WA 98122. Also, remember you can make donations to us through United Way by writing in our name (Madrona Neighborhood Association, DBA Madrona Community Council) in the space for writing in organizations not listed in the brochure. Several employers such as Microsoft will match your contribution. Your contribution is tax deductible since we are a 501(c)3 organization.

I have received many requests for Christmas in April applications, but few completed applications have been returned. As you may remember the program is designed to help the less fortunate keep up their own homes when they are unable to do so. If you need help filling the forms, call me at 323-3450. Also, there are cases where individuals need help, but may for one reason or another not ask. If any you know how to reach these individuals, I sure could use your help.

Parking is still a problem on 35th Ave. I almost thought, I was on Capital Hill when I checked out the parking on 35th last week. A residential parking zone may be a solution, but will it just push the problem somewhere else? We are still receiving complaints on the trash by Madrona Ale House. A quick check did not indicate a problem last week, but if you see a problem, please let the staff in the Ale House known about it. They will do their best to resolve the problem.

One last item, our newsletter editor, Jerry Arbes, would like to transfer the responsibility to someone else in the near future and is seeking a replacement. Jerry will provide training and assistance as needed. After seven great years of producing the best community newsletter I have ever seen, Jerry certainly deserves a change. Thank You, Jerry, for all your outstanding work to make this community a better place for all of us to live. Those interested in helping with the newsletter, please call me at 323-3450.



Five Good Reasons Why You Should Your Community Council

1. The Council is all-volunteer. Your fellow community members contribute their time. If you value the work they do in managing the airport noise issue, putting on community events, dealing with land-use issues, etc., then show your support with a donation.
2. The newsletter is the main vehicle for information sharing among neighbors, and it's dependent on donations. It is produced entirely with volunteer time and materials, the only expenses are printing and mailing. If you enjoy reading the newsletter, your donation will keep it coming!
3. The Council has 501(c)3 status, which means your donations are tax deductible. Give yourself a tax break and help keep your community vital!
4. All the annual events you and your family enjoy—MayFair, Halloween Party, Neighbor Appreciation Day, BBQ Festival—are funded by the Council, and thus, by donations. If you enjoy participating in these events, help us keep putting them on!
5. Everyone in Madrona is automatically a member of the Community Council. To encourage the greatest access and participation by our neighbors, there are no dues and we try to avoid event fees. Our bank account is getting low. We need your help now. Please mail your contributions to Steve Orser, MCC Treasurer, 833 33rd Ave, 98122. Thank you!

What do you think?

Madrona School Redesign

Many of you may have seen the preliminary drawings for the new Madrona School when you went to the school to vote on November 2.

The addition to the Madrona School is in the early stages of the design process. The design will be presented at the Madrona PTSA meeting on November 16 at 6:30pm in the Madrona School Library. Representatives from the School District and DLR Group, the architects for the addition, will be on hand to answer questions.

In addition, if you miss the November 16th briefing at the school, Don Gillmore from the Madrona Elementary Design Review Committee (298-7647) will be at our December 7th meeting at 8pm at the Madrona Shelterhouse to discuss the current plans for the school.

The School District plans to demolish the old school, keeping the 1960 addition and adding a new addition on the site. The design to date has been primarily done in consultation with the school staff. The drawings on display at the school, although inconsistent, appear to present a number of concerns from a community perspective. It is important to get involved now before it is too late to make changes. *(continued on page 2)*

Madrona School Design (continued from page 1)

Some Concerns

The main entrance will continue to be from 33rd Avenue but the drawings show not one but two loading docks along 33rd. This is the side that should be welcoming to the community and has the potential to create an even better sense of place in the community and pedestrian friendly street with the Sally Goldmark Library across the street and Madrona Playfield connected at the southeast corner of the block.

The school play area is shown mid-block on the west side with no apparent convenient connection to the Madrona Playfield.

The current large open on the southeast corner of the site across from Madrona Playfield will be filled in with buildings. This area, although unattractive as currently built, provided flexible use space on the site. For example, the community annual Spring Clean-Up has been located here. This is just one aspect of viewing the school as a multi-use facility in the community. Overall it would be desirable to try to maximize the flexibility and multi-use possibilities of the site.

The overall design seems out of place with the general historic character of our community

Within the building the layout seems awkward and confusing. The facilities that would be most used by the community do not appear to be as easily accessible as the current auditorium/lunchroom.

Although the perspective drawing shows what appears to be a delightful welcoming entry plaza from the corner of 32nd and Union, the plans indicate that this will be enclosed by a fence and that it is not the primary entrance to the school.

Until now there has been no notice to the general community about how to provide input to the design. The community may want to form a committee to work with the school district and the designers to ensure that the design reflects general community concerns.

There is an opportunity to provide input so that the design can reflect not only what works best for the school but also how it can best fit into the community. Madrona School has always been an important part of this community. Let's make sure it doesn't "turn its back" on us by getting involved. In addition to the meetings on November 16 and December 7, the designers anticipate possibly three more meetings with the school staff and one or two with the community.

For more information please contact Marty Liebowitz, Acting Land Use Chair, 325-1224

Library Security Guards or Alternative?

Maire Thompson, the new Librarian at the Sally Goldmark Library, reports that the library plans to hire a security guard in the afternoon to help maintain order. Apparently, it has become an after school hangout for teenagers in the neighborhood and they are causing disruptions because they have nothing else to do. It's a shame that in an affluent community such as ours, there are no mentoring and after school activities to help these kids. In an effort to get something going Suzanne Melillo has offered to make one of her employees available once a week in the afternoon to help find a solution. Maybe if we all pitch in, we can come up with a solution other than security guards. If you want to help, please call Suzanne at 325-1015.

MADRONA HOLIDAY ARTS AND CRAFTS OPEN HOUSE



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Madrona Holiday Arts and Crafts Open House

**Friday, December 10, 4-8pm
Saturday, December 11, 10am-4pm
1430 35th Avenue at Pike**

Madrona is home to many fine artists and craftspeople. You are invited to meet the artists, purchase beautiful handmade gifts and enjoy refreshments in the relaxed atmosphere of a beautiful home in our Madrona neighborhood. Included are Joan McNabb (dried floral and herbal wreaths), Damaris Pearson (jewelry), Susan Roberts (drawings and paintings), Nancy Trottner (handmade paper), Dorothy and Dan Williams (holiday brittles, evergreen wreaths), Marina Parascenzo-Brush (handmade books), and Stewart Wong (origami ornaments). Also included are these younger Madrona artists: Anya Roberts-Toney, Sarah McNabb, Jenica Brooks-Stocking - with assorted cards, decorations and gifts. Call 322-4445 for more information.



A Y2K Antidote: Crafts in Madrona

Local clay artists Ginny Conrow (324-0734) and Kathryn Allen (720-1774) will open their studios for their annual holiday shows as part of Seattle's citywide Seattle Sampling, encouraging crafts buyers and holiday shoppers to get connected to the makers of crafts, in places far away from holiday frenzy and shopping malls. Fabric artists Kate Beck and Su Job, jewelers Laura Baker and Laura Ellis, and potter Sandy Thatcher will add texture and sparkle to create a display of talent and craftsmanship, a place to relax and find the perfect holiday gift. These nationally acclaimed artists will be there to meet visitors and answer questions. Be sure to stop by to visit their studios and see their new work on Friday, December 3, from 4-9pm, and continuing Saturdays and Sundays, 11am-5pm until Christmas and by appointment at 1429/1431 34th Avenue.

Bulletin Board

Neighbor Artwork Contest

February 12, 2000 marks the sixth annual celebration of Neighbor Appreciation Day. The Seattle Department of Neighborhoods and SAFECO are sponsoring an art contest for K-12 students in Seattle to identify a special drawing to be featured on Neighbor Appreciation Day greeting cards. The deadline for artwork entries is December 10. For more information, call Irene Stewart at 615-0950. And remember — Madrona will again be honoring its special neighbors on Neighbor Appreciation Day, so start thinking about your nominations.

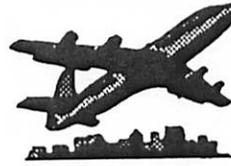
Epiphany Concerts

Madrona Concerts at Epiphany Parish begins its 1999-2000 season with an afternoon recital on the Noack pipe organ on Sunday, November 21, 4pm. The concert by organist David Dahl of Pacific Lutheran University will feature music by Bach, Mendelssohn, Dahl and Vierne. Tickets are \$12 general, \$8 students/seniors, \$3 ages 12 and under.

Madrona House to Rent

Short term/temporary rental of 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath, fully furnished house in Madrona. Available January 15 to April 12. \$1450/month + utilities. Call 206/726-2002 or email hamms@seanet.com.

Airplane Noise: November 17 Meeting is Key



Want to DO something about the increasing amount of airplane noise over Madrona? Here's your chance.

On November 17th, Port of Seattle consultants working on the current "Part 150" noise study will propose changing the "East Turn," which greatly affects Madrona during the summer months. Approximately 210 planes each day turn east over Leschi and Madrona when the winds are from the north - often a plane roars over head every couple of minutes! A group of citizens have been working for months to get the Port/FAA to distribute the East Turn more fairly. Now that the Port's consultants are responding, we must provide support, input and guidance if we want to see meaningful noise reduction.

Why do we need YOU?

1. The FAA, the Port and its consultants must see that our entire community is demanding a more equitable distribution of the East Turn, not just a group of activists.

2. There's likely to be a strong showing by Mercer Island residents, who generally oppose changing the East Turn.

So please... attend the **Part 150 Noise Study Meeting: November 17, 6 p.m. at Sea-Tac**. Park in long-term parking (you'll get a voucher at the meeting). Take the stairs behind the Continental ticket counter up to the Sea-Tac auditorium. For more info, please contact Gwen Rench, 324-2786; gwenrench@worldnet.att.net

Madrona Woods Progress

By Judith Starbuck

If you haven't taken a walk in The Madrona Woods lately, you'll notice some changes the next time you do. The ravine along the Spring Street edge has been newly planted with hundreds of native trees, shrubs and plants provided by the Starflower Foundation. Groups from Americorps, the University of Washington and Tremendous Seattle joined neighbors to put them in the ground during the last month.

There are still a number of smaller plants to be planted. A group doing community service has scheduled a work day for **Thursday, November 18**. **Watch the boards at the entrances for an announcement of the time if you're interested in joining us then to plant and mulch.** Most of our neighborhood work days have been on weekends, and some people have expressed an interest in working during the week. If you would like to join a group working on a weekday other than November 18th, please call Mary Holm at 329-9739 so she can coordinate.

Keep your eye on eight 15 x 15-foot plots marked with stakes at various places in the Woods. The St. Therese sixth grade and Epiphany fifth grade have been divided into small groups which will be working regularly in these plots until June. The students will be identifying plants, removing invasives, planting natives and nurturing and monitoring the new growth in their assigned plots.

Unfortunately the Volunteers for Outdoor Washington trail construction workshop was postponed a second time and will probably be rescheduled for January. Please let Mary Holm (329-9739) know if you're interested in being notified of that date. It is important to sign up ahead of time for this workshop so VOW will know how to plan. There is a \$15 fee.

Nora's Woods Sculpture Dedication



John Capps stood on a slope above the sculpture and led the small crowd in an invocation; Shirley Solomon told of the journey of this particular salmon; and sculptor, Tom Jay, invoked a mythical image of once and future salmon runs that are integral to life in the Northwest. Thus was the bronze sculpture of the coho salmon, nearly two feet in length and in spawning colors, welcomed to its new home in Nora's Woods. It was a wonderfully warm and touching ceremony shared by family, friends and supporters of Nora's Woods.

The placement of the salmon sculpture was an unforeseen, but welcome capstone to several years of work creating a city park from vacant lot. The lot had been held from development and donated as park land by the Fran Wood family in memory of the late Nora Wood, civic activist and park advocate.

With the sculpture in place, work on the park is drawing to a close. The recently installed irrigation line awaits only the final hookup to water sources by the water department. By the end of this year identification plates for at least 45 of the native plant species will be installed in various parts of the park. In addition to the botanical names, the plates, where possible, will also carry plant names as they were known by some of the Northwest Indian tribes.

The Nora's Woods Steering Committee, consisting of the following people: Marcia and Rich Appleton, Yolinda Ward and Lynn Watkins, Amanda Sargent, Cathy Grubin, Rae Hyashi and Bruce Pulmano, and Scott Warner wish to thank the Madrona Community Council for its strong support and all the volunteers, too numerous to mention, for the hours and hours of work that went into this project.

Madrona School

Volunteers Needed by Amanda Findley

Volunteers are needed at Madrona School! My name is Amanda Findley, and I am the Sound Youth Americorps volunteer serving at Madrona School this year. As a Sound Youth Americorps member, my role at Madrona will be a multifaceted one. I will be assisting with community outreach to recruit tutors for the sorely needed in-school and after school tutoring program. I will also be implementing after school clubs, beginning with a dance club, which I will be leading. I would like to begin variety of after school activities, and I only need to find individuals with skills they would like to share to create more.

As members of the community, it is important that you share an enthusiasm for our young people. Not only do they need the right facilities in which to learn, they also need the support and encouragement of adults in their community. The best way in which you could offer your support is to devote a little time with the kids. One or two hours a week can make a life time of difference to a struggling student. The attention and mentoring from an adult is the best way to encourage a child; when they see people caring for them, they begin to care about themselves and their education.

If you can spare even a one half hour a week to tutor a child, please contact me. There will be a variety of options throughout the day, so you can work around your schedule. You can leave a message at 525-1213, x4209. This is a wonderful opportunity to partake in some great success stories and help ensure a bright and happy future for the children of the Madrona community.

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Genesis House, the residential drug treatment center at the corner of 34th and Cherry, continues to thrive in its expanded quarters. Clients benefit from counseling, job training in the carwash program which is associated with Genesis House, basic education classes, child care for young dependent children, and a structured community for learning basic life skills.

The Board wishes to expand the opportunities for the residents to learn more useful information and new skills through a new volunteer program to be developed. We hope to find community residents who can help in one of the following ways: gardening instruction and ongoing assistance (there is a large space available at the south end of the block which would be available for development); teaching basic education skills; lectures on topics such as job skills, health concerns, nutrition, parenting and child care. If you would be interested in helping, please call Marilyn Clement at 322-3701 or Mary Kenny at 323-6389 for more information. This program will start on a small scale after the first of the year.

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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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Madrona Community Council - December 7

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that we cannot bid out the job until we have ALL the cash on hand needed to complete the first phase. That means we must raise the final \$100,000 by January 2000, in order to break ground as planned in March 2000. Phase I will include the field, the two new kid's play areas, a new basketball court, and a plaza area with seating, phone, information kiosk, and informal stage.

We need your help now! If you've been considering a gift to the Playfield effort—to restore our "village green" so that we can all enjoy this public space once again—please do so now. Keep this important neighborhood project in mind as you consider your year end donations. All contributions are valued and valuable. Please contact Marie Doyle at 323-6128 or Donna Lou at 329-3219 for more information. Send your donations to Friends of Madrona Playfield, 816 30th Avenue, Seattle, WA 98122.

Community Calendar

- Nov 16 **Madrona School Design Briefing**
6:30p School Library, 33rd & Union. See article.
- Nov 17 **Airplane Noise - Part 150 Public Meeting**
6:00p Sea-Tac auditorium. See article.
- Nov 18 **Madrona Woods Work Party**
10a Madrona Woods, 38th and Spring. See article.
- Nov 20 **Frink Park Work Party**
1p Tree and shrub planting in historic Frink Park. Meet at the Caretaker's Cottage site, Lake Washington Blvd and Frink Place S. Tools provided.
- Dec 3 **Seattle Samplings in Madrona - Opening**
4-9p 1429/31 34th Ave. Continues thru 12/24. See article.
- Dec 7 **Madrona Community Council Meeting**
7:15p Shelterhouse, 34th & Spring. Everyone welcome!
- Dec 10 **Madrona Holiday Arts and Crafts Open House**
4-8p 1430 35th Ave at Pike. Everyone welcome!
- Dec 11 Local fine artists and craftspeople will have
10a-4p handmade gifts available for purchase. See notice.
- Dec 11 **Holiday Ship Visits Madrona**
6:30p Holiday Ship with the Woodinville High School Ensemble visits Madrona Beach. Join us for carolling and good cheer! Happy Holidays!
- Jan 1 **Happy New Year, Century, & Millennium!**
- Jan 10 **Dead line for next newsletter**
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