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NEWS

Big Tent Cooking for Tent City *by John Platt*

During the first Tent City information meeting, I was struck when someone said, "We can't cook at Tent City because of sanitation issues." I wondered, how can you have a home where you can't cook? Immediately, I thought of our nearby restaurant kitchen and imagined it as a place to cook the meal one deserves to call one's residence a home. My business partner and great friend, Paul Butler, gave my thought an immediate thumbs-up and so germinated the idea to invite our community to St. Clouds to prepare a "home-cooked meal" for our new Tent City neighbors. What better way to strengthen community bonds than to get our hands all mixed up together in the preparation of a meal?

On two Tuesdays, August 14 and 28, 35 members of the Madrona, St. Therese, St. Clouds, and Tent City communities gathered to create one meal by one community. Young eager children and folks from as far away as Shoreline and Lake City brought contributions, and other donors offered financing. In three flurried hours we turned hundreds of pounds of fruit, vegetables, starches, meat, and pantry items into a bountiful feast for over 100 people. From pork tenderloins with a Dijon-orange marmalade sauce to fresh baked apple pies, from a roasted corn/sweet pepper/fresh tomato salad to potato-kale gratin, we cooked up joyous food with flavor, beauty, and heart. The creative tension of inventing the meal on the fly drove us both crazy and to inspired heights! It also forced us ever so much closer as we sought the alchemy to turn all our raw materials into edible gold.

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MCC President's Corner Monthly Neighborhood Update

by Bill Hanson

At our September Madrona Community Council (MCC) meeting and potluck, we found out that the **Saturday Madrona School** construction had not been authorized by the city. However, after being called on this issue, the city and the contractor discovered an emergency condition to justify 9 to 5 Saturday work at least through October. During the week, the construction hours are 7:30am to 6pm. If you have any problems with the construction, contact Sean Ryan at 324-2586. Sean is with the architectural firm overseeing the project. If the issue is not resolved, call me. 323-3450.

The city also wants to **remove the remaining 11 trees on 33rd Ave. by Madrona School**; Five trees have already been cut down for approved curb cuts and a driveway. Apparently, the city is tired of trimming the trees away from power lines and wants to replace them with another species. Most people I've talked with are not in favor of removing the trees as the new ones will take

years to duplicate the existing canopy on the street. Also, I'm sorry to say when new trees were planted on the other side of Madrona School, several were destroyed by vandals. I made many calls to the mayor's office on these issues, but my calls were not returned. Apparently, the campaign is taking all their time. After reading a campaign flyer from Mark Sidran, I can understand why. This is not an endorsement by the way. The last time I came out in favor of a candidate, Richard Conlin, I received several calls from the Mayor's office telling me that was not an appropriate behavior. At any rate, the contractor promises to abide by the wishes of the community and so the whole tree removal issue will be discussed again at the October 4th MCC meeting. The city reps will bring illustrations depicting what the new trees will look like in one, three and five years to aid us in our decision.

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Madrona BBQ Festival 2001 *by Sayre Coombs*

The day was beautiful and the food and friendship plentiful at this year's Madrona BBQ. As always, competition for prizes was friendly but fierce as the well-stuffed judges awarded honor and prizes to:

- Best Ribs:** 1st Place—Richard Baker & Betty Kennedy, \$200 in groceries from Union Street Red Apple and Best BBQ in Madrona trophy by Madrona sculptor, Eric Edgerton
- 2nd Place—Willie Stuckey, Leschi Mart's legendary smoked turkey
- Best Fish:** 1st Place—Chris Albright, \$150 in groceries from Leschi Mart
- 2nd Place—Juanita Lang, gift certificate to Mad Pizza and a big cooler

The Madrona neighborhood is wonderful mix of people with a lot to offer. Many thanks to St. Clouds for sponsoring the stage and to the neighborhood musical acts that generously donated their incredible talent: Katy Bell and Curly Fry, Sandy Bosley, Top Shelf, Blue Gypsy, and the Rolling Blackouts.

As always, nothing would have been possible had it not been for our generous neighbors. Please read these names and if you see someone you know, thank them for making Madrona an even better place to live:

Inez Lindsey, Beth Purcell, Robin Wilt, Penelope West, Galen Kawaguchi, Anthony Matlock, Lavell Walton, John Platt, Kim Herber, Thom Ditty, W. C. Fields, Scott Powers,

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President's Corner (cont'd from page 1)

For those who put the resuscitation of Madrona School at the top of their To-Do list, the **election of qualified knowledgeable school board members** may be more important than voting for a particular mayoral candidate. Our thanks to candidates Dave Barfield, Mary Bass, Juan Cotto, and Gwen Twight for attending our meeting and sharing their ideas and opinions with us, and hearing our concerns about our neighborhood school.

If you have pre school age children, our next MCC meeting is a must! **Colleen Oliver, Seattle Middle School Director** will be there to answer our questions on how to make Madrona School a neighborhood school. Last year, 77% of the students came from out of the area and even most of them did not select Madrona as their first school choice. Last year, Madrona School Friends hoped to help improve academics by volunteering their time. Unfortunately, because they did not currently have children in the school and so were viewed as outsiders their offers to help were mostly ignored. Please come this meeting to see if we can again have a neighborhood school in Madrona.

Our next meeting is October 4th at 7:15pm in the Shelter House at Madrona Playfield at 34th and Spring. At this meeting we will also have a speaker on the Seattle Monorail Project and finalize plans for annual Halloween Party for the children of Madrona.

Tent City (cont'd from page 1)

My thanks to everyone who participated so heart-fully with both contributions and donations, to the Tent City residents—several of whom joined in the cooking and cleaning and all of whom graciously welcomed us and our meal into their homes—and to St. Therese and their Homelessness Task Force.

On the strength of such success, St. Clouds will continue the tradition Tuesday, September 25th, when we will again open our kitchen to a community cookfest from 4 to 7pm, inviting everyone to participate with food donations and cooking efforts. We will then transport the meal to the new Tent City site in Columbia City, just 10 minutes away. Join us if you can.

Tent City Thanks you! *By Brian Mack*

A very gracious thank you goes out to the entire Madrona Community for hosting Tent City, shelter for homeless individuals and families for the month of August at St. Therese Catholic Church. Tent City residents remarked how warm and accepting the neighborhood was and they were overwhelmed by the support and food donated by the community. Special thanks to those Madrona neighbors who live directly adjacent to the church and accepted the impact of Tent City during the visit.

Madrona community members who are interested in helping the homeless work toward practical solutions are invited to get involved with the Homelessness Committee at St. Therese. Projects include being an overnight host at a shelter, and building a church-sponsored Habitat for Humanity home this fall. For more info contact Brian Mack at 328-5150. Also, the process of deciding whether to hose Tent City has lead St. Therese parish to form a Neighborhood Relations Committee. We hope this committee will increase the dialogue between the church and the community. Again, for more information, contact Brian Mack.

BBQ Festival (cont'd from page 1)

Larry Reid, Danae Powers, Sherry Schmieder and family, Jocelyn Owens, Andrew Borges, Tracey Rowland, Kathy Kearney, Monica Jones, Roberta Harrison, Sandra Dunn, Linda Barquet, Marcel Boudy, Matt Brown, Shelley Heustice, Tracey Denlinger, John Healy, Behan Gifford, Michelle Perkins, Lynda Joko, Irene Lindsey, Bill Hanson, Marcus Handler, Sheila Trevino, Michelle Handler, Carolyn Pinkett, Sandra Gormon-Brown, Sheri Pewitt, Ann Hollar, Sydney Franklin, Matt Duss, LaToya, Kayla, Anya, Sahara, Sam, Hannah and all the marvelous bakers who stocked the cakewalk and bakesale.

The list on the festival t-shirts shows the businesses who support ed the BBQ. Epiphany Parish deserves very special thanks for preparing and selling corn-on-the-cob and baked beans and then donating all proceeds back to the neighborhood. You are ALL incredible!



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€ In other Playfield news....

Beautiful bronze leaves engraved with your name or special message will be available for purchase soon. They will be incorporated into the new grand entry at 34th & Spring. For more information contact Donna Lou at 329-3219 or lou_bladin@hotmail.com.

- Thanks to artist Margaret Reische for our great new Final Phase basketball hoop sign. Everyone can follow playfield happenings with the fliers available at the entrances on 33rd and 34th.
- Local businesses Union Street Red Apple, Cafe Soleil, Hi Spot, Dulces, St. Clouds, The Madrona Alehouse, Supreme, Preventive Solutions, and Madrona Deli have placed donation cans near their cash registers. As you patronize these supportive neighborhood businesses, please think of the Playfield and drop in your change!
- Madrona artists are meeting to plan how to incorporate art in the Playfield park entryways, stage, and Shelter House.
- All but three of our trees survived the summer. Thanks to the City of Seattle's tree program, we will be able to replace them so watch for news of a fall tree planting party in late October.
- The Parks Department may allow some of our Final Phase improvement to be done by "professional" volunteers. A local architect and general contractor have already expressed interest and no doubt other folks could help too.

Final Phase improvements are:

- 1) A new grand entry at 34th and Spring
- 2) Renovations to Shelter House
- 3) Native plant garden with picnic tables
- 4) Resurfacing tennis court and fence improvements

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Neighborhood Embraces Madrona School

By Jon Hughes

As Madrona School settles into its temporary location, many parents ask the same question: why isn't Madrona a neighborhood school? On August 21, a large group of interested neighbors met with John Morefield, well-respected educator from the UW and current mentor to Madrona principal Rickie Malone, to discuss this issue. The meeting was productive and opened a nice dialogue.

As principal at Hawthorne Elementary in Mt. Baker, Morefield convinced the community to enroll their children in the school to great success. Likewise for Madrona, he says YES! Change will begin when parents say, "My kids are going to Madrona School!"

Madrona School's history is complicated. Parents want a school with diversity, a school our children can walk to, a school with high parental and community involvement, a school with excellent academic achievement. However, Madrona parents have shunned the school for years. Still, a large number of motivated families, from those with toddlers to those with soon-to-be middle schoolers, do want their children to attend a neighborhood public school. The question is: will parents wait for test scores to improve and can scores improve quicker if the community takes action?

A new Parent/Volunteer coordinator is being hired and neighbors, teachers, school administrators, parents of babies, toddlers, and school age children must work together. It's time to volunteer; it's time to work with Principal Malone; it's time to help the teachers—most of whom returned from last year, an excellent sign for the school. To get involved please send an e-mail to jon@srhwlaw.com to be signed the e-group MadronaSchoolFriends or call Jon at 325-7900 or 323-2238.

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Nominations are currently being accepted for several MCC offices. To run for office, you must:

1. Attend all of the meetings
2. Never over-commit!
3. Live or Work in Madrona

Nominations will be accepted through October 31 the election held at the November 6 meeting. To throw your hat in the ring, contact current president Bill Hanson at 323-3450.

President

The President runs the 10 annual monthly meetings and determines the agenda. Communicates the MCC position on initiatives and events to other Community Council groups. Writes the formal MCC position (on letterhead) where appropriate. Represents MCC at events. Acts as "Chief Neighborhood Advocate" when neighbors have concerns about an issue that impacts the Madrona community as a whole.

Bill Hanson says of his six year reign: "I have met many wonderful people. It has been an enriching experience for me. And, I am looking forward to supporting my successor."

Vice President (2)

Vice President – Community Events

The VP of Events makes sure that there are committees formed and committee "leads" are determined. The MCC directly sponsors events, like Mayfair, the Home & Garden Tour, and the Tennis Tournaments. The MCC also supports events like the Holiday Arts Fair and the Madrona BBQ. This VP also supplies resources needed to assist those events that are to the enjoyment of the Madrona Community.

John Capps has been the VP of Events for many years. He has a historical context of Madrona and has seen it grow and prosper especially over the past 5 years. He loves Madrona!

Vice President–Community Initiatives

The VP of Initiative's primary focus is to provide information and insight into issues that affect the Madrona community. This includes Land Use as well as issues that are presented to the MCC by other groups such as Airplane Noise, the Arboretum Land Use Action and Tent City proposals. The MCC takes positions on a myriad of issues. In addition, there have been other major Land Use issues like The Madrona Playfield and Madrona Woods. While these initiatives that have been created by separate committees, the MCC has supported the efforts with volunteers as well as the venue for discussing progress, alternatives and results.

Janet Johnston has been the VP of Initiatives for two years. She has been very influential in the airplane noise issue and became the Seattle citywide chairperson on this important issue (that wakes us all up in the morning...).

Secretary

The Secretary is responsible for being a central clearing house for information. Takes the meeting minutes and prepare a condensed version of those notes for those who attend the following meetings. In the future, it would be appropriate for the Secretary to "manage" the web site and post minutes there. Maintains the mailing list for the Madrona News newsletter. Houses the important documents of the Community Council and assists the other officers in their pursuits.

Suzanne Melillo has been Secretary for three years and would like to retire from the position and focus on Madrona School. She says, "I see our home in the context of Madrona – its neighbors, its businesses, its families, and its school. I have felt rewarded by the opportunity to make a small contribution to this community that is so central to our lives."

Treasurer

The Treasurer handles all of the money! Delivers an MCC income statement and balance sheet for neighborhood review at every meeting. Manages the taxes and tax status. The MCC acts as a financial clearinghouse for many Madrona-sponsored and supported initiatives and events. Writes the checks, collects the funds and disperses according to the Neighborhood wishes. Collects funds for the Madrona News newsletter advertisers.

Steve Orser, the treasure for two years, is available for reelection. Steve looks out to the Madrona Playfield, one of the greatest investments that the Madrona community has made in itself. It inspires him as a neighbor. Steve also is Phase II Chair of the Playfield Committee.

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Tradition Continues at Gene's

With a respectful nod to the past and a twinkling eye on the future, Paul Gray knows that he has taken over a piece of Madrona history as he stands behind the chair at Gene's Barbershop. Open since 1945, Gene's and its owner Gene Nesbit have seen everything and everyone come and go through Madrona. Since he began cutting hair at Gene's two years ago, Paul had already seen and heard plenty himself.

"I'm the barber," he says. "I like to talk with people and learn from what they have to say. I want everyone who comes here to feel comfortable and easy while they get their hair cut. I was born in Leschi and understand the diversity of this neighborhood."

While he never imagined a career cutting hair, Paul learned the skill and used it to support himself while he was in college. He spent time in the corporate world but never liked the atmosphere or the idea of working for someone else. When he heard through a family connection to Calvin Brooks, Gene's partner, that the aging barbers were having a hard time keeping the shop open, he stopped by, clippers in hand, to see if he could help. Once they saw Paul's way with the scissors as well as the customers, they handed over the keys. Gene still owns the shop and stops by now and then for a trim but, sadly, Calvin has passed away.

The small shop has two chairs but right now Paul works alone—although he wouldn't mind sharing the shop with the right person. He has a few upgrades in mind—cable TV, a juke box moved up front from the back room, a new pop machine—but nothing to disrupt the atmosphere. "I respect this institution and the older gentlemen who have been coming here for years and years," says Paul proudly. "My plan is simply to put in my blood, sweat and tears and see this grow."

Gene's barber shop is open Tuesday through Saturday 9-6.

Madrona Moms Play Group Grows

The Madrona Moms play group continues to add new members and there's always room for more. The group of moms and kids meets the first and third Friday of the month, from 4 - 6pm, at neighbors' houses. To receive Email messages about the gatherings, as well as info about swim classes, nanny sharing, how much to pay babysitters, news of new babies in the neighborhood etc, go to www.groups.yahoo.com and in the box Join a Group search for Madrona Moms. For more info, call Shelley Huestis at 322-8004. Hope to see you soon!

520 Gridlock Solutions

The Trans-Lake Washington Project is evaluating eight scenarios to improve mobility in the 520 corridor. Ideas range from taking no action, to adding lanes to 520, to light rail—fortunately the proposal to tunnel under Madrona seems to be off the table! To learn more and express your opinions, attend an open house from 4-7pm on September 25 at the North Bellevue Senior Center or on October 2 at the Museum of History & Industry. For info call 448-6611 or visit www.wsdot.wa.gov/translake.



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Neighborhood School News

Madrona School on the Move

by Karen Weisman

Madrona School has successfully opened at Lincoln in Wallingford. The middle school is adequately enrolled, however there was a drop in elementary grades as many parents were concerned about the commute. As a teacher, I am enjoying my small class and the intimate learning environment with my 3rd graders. Curriculum Night is September 27 at 7:00 p.m. and I look forward to meeting our parents at Lincoln.

This is the second year of our partnership with businesses and the UW. Four teachers have Student Teachers and all classes have aides, which allows us to give students a lot of individual attention.

To chart the progress of our new Madrona School we have created a Wall of Construction in the entryway at Lincoln. As I was taking pictures last weekend, I was amazed at the progress and the deep holes in the playground! Foundation appears to be going in, and much of the old building appears to be leaving. We look forward to returning to Madrona in September 2002 and have found our temporary home to be very comfortable. We welcome visitors.

For those of you looking to get involved with Madrona School, I can use your assistance in a book drive to support our reading goals. Please call Alix Hughes at 323-2238 or e-mail alixh@msn.com. Look for signs and postings of where to drop off your books!!! We're hoping to have a drop off place in Madrona and one in the Central District. We appreciate this energy and look forward to coordinating with parents and the neighborhood.

Enrollment up at St. Therese

by Janice Davis-Niles

After an incredible Seattle summer, all 230 students are everyone to go for St. Therese School's 74th year. We welcome four new faculty members and their wealth of experience: Peter Van Borkulo, Interim Vice Principal; Sophie Pritchard, 7th grade Homeroom Teacher and Middle School Science Teacher, Bev Gonyea, Fourth Grade Teacher; and Librarian Barbara Henderson. We also welcome BACK our faithful main office staff: Rose Wahingtonjames, Harriett Goins, and Jackie Frazier.

Soccer is already off and running with St. Therese participating in the CYO athletic program and fielding its largest number of teams ever. With baseball fever at such a pitch, our creative and energetic librarian and reading specialist, Barbara Henderson and Suzanne Garcia-Hunter, have put together a baseball-based integrated curriculum on involving all subjects—needless to say our science classes are very excited about their physics lessons while the math classes are salivating over all the statistics!

Back to School Night is September 25 for grades K through 5 and September 26 for grades 6 through 8. Both sessions start at 7:00 p.m. Our Madrona neighbors are invited to join us for our Mass of the Holy Spirit at 9:15 a.m. on Wednesday, September 19 in St. Therese Church. Beginning October 3, we will conduct tours of the school every Wednesday from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. All are welcome! Please call 720-7278 or 720-7277 for more information.

Breakfast with John Olchefske by Suzanne Melillo

At community auctions, most people spend their money on art or M's tickets or a weekend at Semiahmoo. Instead, I purchased the chance to sit down with school superintendent John Olchefske and hear about his vision and talk to him about Madrona School. When Marie Doyle and I met him for breakfast at the Hi-Spot, we wanted to discuss four topics:

Transformation of the School. City-wide standards for performance have been established for all students. Also, all teacher and school admin job descriptions have been rewritten to show that school employees will be held to standards in terms of how well students succeed.

Academic Performance. He suggested community members contribute their expertise in school subjects such as languages, math and art.

Neighborhood School. We made the point that most kids who live in the neighborhood don't go to the neighborhood school, but would like to. Mr. Olchefske talked a lot about creating "specialized schools" that are focused on certain things such as art or music or science—or maybe, I wondered, serving the "underserved"? We emphasized that many of us chose to live in this neighborhood because it IS diverse—so we should build a school that CELEBRATES diversity, rather than emphasizes it.

Leadership. Ms. Malone, a "rookie" this past year, is writing a transformation plan for the school and working closely with the folks at UW Education Department to put all the systems in place for a better school. Mr. Olchefske made it clear that we need to show Ricki that we're committed to the academic success of all students.

Overall, it was a good meeting; Mr. Olchefske is a very pleasant guy. He also knows the neighborhood in a global sense, although he is unaware of specific issues. It was very clear that we need to work with people in his organization who can help us get things done here in Madrona.

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Community Action at Spectrum

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“Through the arts, more than other activities, youth learn delayed gratification and the value of setting and achieving goals,” said Lori Chisholm, Garfield Community Center Director. “You have to risk yourself because artistic expression comes from inside, and I am excited that so many youth can have this experience.”

In another show of community support, Spectrum is throwing an all-day, family-friendly Bathhouse Bash on Saturday, September 29 to honor Artistic Director Dale A. Merrill’s 20-year contribution to dance.

With an undying passion for dance and a love of community, Dale’s commitment to accessibility led to the creation of Spectrum’s *Gift of Dance* scholarship and *Family Matinee Performance* programs. These programs ensure that any child who wants to dance, or any family who wants to attend a dance performance, can do so regardless of financial limitations. Dale’s belief that dance should be fun and accessible to everyone set the tone for Spectrum’s mission of celebrating diversity through dance.

The Bathhouse Bash kicks off with a family barbecue from 2-4 p.m. with fun activities on the beach and in the studio. Prices for the family barbeque are: Adults \$10, \$5 for kids age 12 and under. Dinner and dancing from 7:30-11pm \$50 per person. Special award reception from 6-7:30pm plus dinner & dancing, \$150 per person. For more information, call Spectrum at 325-4161.

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A Tribute to Milton Karr

by Carol Richman

Milton Karr was a pioneer in community organization. His contribution to Central Seattle is myriad yet invisible because his name was seldom attached to his accomplishments. Milton, who worked for the United Way, was very low-key and self-effacing, always in the background, moving others to the fore and enabling leadership to evolve. The products of Milton’s efforts include the Central Area Motivation Program (CAMP) and its offshoot Model Cities, and the Fellowship of Reconciliation.

My first contact with Milton was shortly after we moved to Seattle in 1961. He called and asked me to come to a meeting of the Central Area Community Council at Epiphany Church. This council was bringing together people from the Central Area neighborhoods to form a political base for our community’s many needs, especially those of the low-income neighborhoods. The task of merging these diverse populations into a peaceful, cohesive whole to work for the common good required tremendous skill and Milton was just the person for the job. His coalition drew from Harrison, Madrona, Leschi, Montlake, and Capital Hill neighborhoods as well as from the poor neighborhoods along Empire Way (now Martin Luther King) and 23rd Avenue.

Madrona didn’t have a community council then—the school PTA served the purpose. The Leschi Neighborhood Association was active, as was the Montlake, Harrison, Mann-Minor, and the Jackson Street Council, which was staffed by Phil Hayasaki of the United Way with Bill Derry as citizen chairman. Involved churches included Epiphany (Rev. Bob Baxter) and Madrona Presbyterian (Rev. Edd Crawford). Agencies were the Atlantic Street Center with Ike Ikeda, Ed Pratt’s Urban League, Walt Hundley and the Neighborhood Youth Corps and others I apologize for forgetting.

With our community organizations Central Seattle influenced school district, city, county and state decisions. Although we did not achieve Utopia, Milton’s efforts resulted in many more citizens becoming engaged in the process and much improved institutional responsiveness to community demands.

Milton Karr, August 29, 1918 to May 21, 2001 was a distinguished Madrona resident.

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- September 15**, 10:00am MADRONA WOODS WORK PARTY—38th Ave Entrance, Judith Starbuck 322-2640
- September 20**, 7:00pm FREE CLASS: RENT SMART—Neighborhood Academy 306 23rd, Info 521-1100
- September 21**, 4-6pm MADRONA MOM'S PLAY GROUP—Shelley Heustis 322-8004
- September 22**, 8:00am MADRONA COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE—Madrona Plaza, Kim Herber 325-9923
- September 25**, 7:00pm BOOK DISCUSSION *LAST DAYS OF SUMMER* BY STEVE KLUGER—Neighborhood Academy 306 23rd, Info 521-1100
- September 24**, 4-7pm COMMUNITY COOKFEST FOR TENT CITY—St. Clouds Restautrenat, John Platt 726-1522
- September 25 & 26**, 7:00pm BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT—St. Therese School, Janice Davis-Niles 720-7277
- September 25**, 4-8pm TRANS-LAKE WASH PROJECT OPEN HOUSE—North Bellevue Senior Center, 448-6611 or www.wsdot.wa.gov/translake
- September 27**, 7:00pm FREE CLASS: CUT THE CURRENT—CONSERVATION TIPS —Neighborhood Academy 306 23rd, Info 521-1100
- September 27**, 7:00pm MADRONA SCHOOL CURRICULUM NIGHT— 4400 Interlake Ave N, WallingfordRicki Malone 726-6690
- September 30**, 8:30 5K (3 MILE) RUN/WALK TO RAISE AWARENESS OF MENTAL ILLNESS—Seward Park, Info www.ontherun.com
- October 2, 7:15pm** MADRONA COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING—Playfield Shelter House, Bill Hanson 323-3450
- October 2**, 4-8pm TRANS-LAKE WASH PROJECT OPEN HOUSE—Museum of History and Industry, 448-6611 or www.wsdot.wa.gov/translake
- October 3**, 3-7pm, CHEF'S DEMO WITH JIM LANNING FROM GREGORY'S BAR AND GRILL and MUSIC BY MARK SMASON DUO—
Columbia City Farmers Market, Karen Kinney 632-5234
- October 5**, DEADLINE FOR OCTOBER *MADRONA NEWS* STORIES—Kim Herber 325-9923 or christine@conversation.com
- October 5**, 4-6pm MADRONA MOM'S PLAY GROUP—Shelley Heustis 322-8004
- October 10**, 3-7pm, APPLE TASTING and CLASSIC JAZZ -Columbia City Farmers Market, Karen Kinney 632-5234
- October 11**, PLATFORM FROST EXHIBIT OPENS — Visual Abstractions Gallery, Weldon Butler 975-2244
- October 13**, 9:00am PRANAWORKS OPEN HOUSE & SAMPLE YOGA CLASSES—PranaWorks Studio, Shelley Grant 325-0112
- October 17**, 3-7pm LAST DAY OF MARKET! MUSIC BY ROUGE— Columbia City Farmers Market, Karen Kinney 632-5234
- October 19**, 4-6pm MADRONA MOM'S PLAY GROUP—Shelley Heustis 322-8004
- October 20**, 10:00am MADRONA WOODS WORK PARTY—38th Ave Entrance, Judith Starbuck 322-2640
- October 20**, 1:00pm MEDITATE & MANIFEST: MEDITATION THE KUNDALINI YOGA WAY—PranaWorks Studio, Shelley Grant 325-0112
- October 24**, DINE OUT FOR MADRONA PLAYFIELD—Madrona Restaurants, Katrina Davis 860-7134, Childcare reservations Susan 328-3236
- October 31**, DEADLINE FOR MADRONA COMMUNITY COUNCIL OFFICER NOMINATIONS—MCC, Bill Hanson 323-3450