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Eternal Vigilance Is the Price of Liberty

Longtime ACLU activist and Madrona resident Mary Gallwey attended her last ACLU Board of Directors meeting in Dec. which was preceded by an informal gathering of past Washington State ACLU presidents and the current executive team. The tenure of the gathered group went back to the 1960s. All had served as board members with Mary.



Mary Gallwey

Mary explained that her original involvement with the state ACLU was as the Pullman chapter's delegate to the affiliate ACLU board that met in Seattle. Before long she became the affiliate's Vice President, then the President, and finally the Washington affiliate's delegate to the national ACLU Board. For well over 30 years she traveled over the mountains from WSU where she was a faculty member to attend Seattle ACLU meetings before moving to Madrona in 2004. Some of the Washington State ACLU highlights over that period of time included: in 1972 taking the first-ever case in the state of WA in support of two men who wanted to marry one another; pioneering support for the right to abortion with an initiative passed prior to the 1973 Roe vs. Wade Supreme Court decision; won a case in which a federal judge ruled that conditions in the WA State penitentiary were so bad that just being incarcerated constituted cruel and unusual punishment; won the first state case in which two fathers had sued their former wives for custody of their children who were living with the two women—the court said that the children were doing well with the mothers and denied custody removal to the fathers; and pioneered the Death with Dignity Initiative. During the time Mary was President of the WA ACLU Board, dialogue with the Seattle Public Schools also led to an ultimatum from the NAACP, the Church Council of Greater Seattle, and the ACLU which was that if the schools did not take steps to desegregate they would be sued. That started the actual attempt to voluntarily desegregate Seattle Public Schools. More recent accomplishments include last November's Marriage Equality and Marijuana Reform initiatives and the Justice Department's investigation of Seattle Police Dept. practices.

Mary's arrival in Washington State followed completion of her Ph.D. at Cornell. She was looking for a permanent faculty position, but realized that there were not many

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Council Corner

At the March 4 meeting, neighbors and MCC board members, plus BOOM representative Brienne Ingentila, heard updates on progress retaining close to current levels of bus service in King County and toward resolution of balancing needs for safe sidewalks and retaining large trees along 34th. With regard to transit, the key to service preservation in the immediate future is passage of King Co. Proposition 1 on the April 22 ballot (see related story in this issue). SDOT promises that solutions to challenges of broken sidewalks and tree retention will emerge from its research to determine best practices for varied situations presented by case studies in Madrona, Rainier Beach, and Lake City. SDOT's public meetings on Madrona progress are scheduled for March 25, April 29, and May 29 at Madrona K-8 school (see related story in this issue).

Dine Out for Madrona K-8 on April 8

Tuesday April 8 is the 6th annual Dine Out for Madrona K-8. Restaurants and cafes participate in supporting Madrona K-8 by donating a portion of that day's sales to our PTSA. All you need to do is say "We are here for Dine Out for Madrona K-8" and eat! Donations from Dine Out are used directly to support arts and enrichment programming at the school. One featured integrated arts program this year is Arts Corps, with two full-time artists-in-residence at Madrona K-8. Arts Corps is the largest non-profit arts education program in Seattle, and it was awarded the National Arts and Humanities Youth Program Award from First Lady Michelle Obama in 2012. Eat up and see you at: Bistro Turkuaz, Bottlehouse, Cupcake Royale/Verite, Hi Spot, Madrona Eatery and Ale House, Naam, Pritty Boys Family Pizzeria, and St. Clouds (all on 34th Ave.), and Barrio on 12th Ave.

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places in the US where she could safely raise the two biracial children she'd had with her African-American husband. But Pullman fit the bill, and as a newly single mom, Mary drove herself and the children across the county to WSU in 1959, singing folk songs learned from Pete Seeger and Peter Yarrow. Mary joined the Pullman chapter of the ACLU in the 1960s during times of campus unrest across the nation. The Pullman chapter's activities were many, but Mary recounted a time when WSU students traveled to the Colfax School outside Pullman to support students there who'd been suspended for wearing black armbands in opposition to the war in Vietnam. The WSU students were distributing copies of the Bill of Rights and the Tinker Decision--a ruling that found students do not forfeit their rights to free speech when they enter schools. On that day at the Colfax School, a teacher emerged to ask what the WSU students were doing. On being told they were distributing copies of the Bill of Rights and the Tinker Decision, the teacher asked: "Don't you know you could be sued for copyright infringement?" "Oh," answered one of the students: "who has the copyright on the Bill of Rights?" Pressure continued thanks to freedom of the press and a strong AP story; the school's students continued to wear the armbands.

In 1989 Mary received the ACLU's William O. Douglas Award--the highest award for contributions to civil liberties. While she may have stepped down from ACLU Board activities, it is clear that Mary Gallwey has every intention of maintaining vigilance in support of civil rights.

The Local Improvement District From My Perspective

By Peter Stewart, 37th Ave.

A recent housecleaning yielded records that are part of Madrona's history with undergrounding wires. In reviewing assembled materials, I discovered that my own memory can be spotty. This led me to develop a timeline on the Local Improvement District (LID) for Madrona and my recollections about that initiative. In 1968 Seattle City Light initiated undergrounding LIDs in affluent neighborhoods. The deal was sweetened by SCL's offer to pay 50 percent of the in-street cost; homeowners were to pay the other half to connect houses to the underground wires.

- In the spring of 1971, at the collapse of the SST program, I'd been laid off from my Boeing engineering job. Since engineering jobs did not exist, I subsisted on a meager music teacher's income. It was a fragile existence, but many neighbors were in the same boat.
- The undergrounding LID was first proposed at the 1976 Madrona House Tour; the *Madrona News* announced the LID proposal in Feb. 1977. Upon reading it, I dashed out to discover that other neighbors also were upset by the proposal. I used a mimeograph machine I had to prepare a flyer titled "Will burying the wires bury your neighbors?" Four who were part of a neighborhood Thursday Night Dinner Group became the steering committee for Madronans Against Undergrounding (MAU); others were Joan Rasken, Jeanne Manring, and Bob Shapiro. We drafted a protest petition and began to gather the 170 signatures that became our membership list. We wrote letters to editors, sent out press releases, and canvassed. I enjoyed the latter when I got a positive response, and I treasure friendships thus made.
- Three Madrona Community Council meetings were held on the LID. At the first one, MAU members took turns explaining that the neighborhood was not homogeneously affluent--that many low-income residents could not afford 50 percent of undergrounding costs. The second MCC meeting in March 1977 proved disastrous to me because I insisted on a vote I lost. The third MCC meeting took

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place around a table at the Station House Library. On one side sat well-dressed men with attaché cases who I took to be developers. I imagined how our little band looked to them (we were neither well dressed nor well groomed) and it occurred to me that we must look like a ragged group of misfits.

- Sometime in spring 1977 the MCC sponsored a questionnaire that supporters and opponents cooperated on to mail and collect. But no official action resulted from the 79 responses, and no further public gatherings on LIDs occurred that spring or summer. Our side kept busy gathering signatures, writing letters, and sending press releases.
- In Nov. 1977 the City Council's Utility Committee held its first public hearing on the Madrona LID. As an organizer Bob Shapiro believed that politicians made decisions based on what would hurt them least. So we brought 118 excited and upset voters—many of whom were elderly—to the meeting. I asked them all to stand, and 18 testified, staying pretty much on message of hardship and possible displacement from the LID. My favorite speaker was Rita Pratch; she stated her name, her age (68), her social security income, and that she'd lived in her house 55 years. She couldn't afford the LID, and no wires bothered her view. At the end of her statement, she began chatting up members of the Utility Committee. The cameras were rolling, and she made the evening news. In the end, the vote to finance the Engineering Studies was split.

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Play Madrona Mutt Matchup

By Andrea Matus-Magee, Randolph Place

Who says people always look like their pets??? Match the people to their dogs. The answers are on page 9.



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- In Dec. 1977 various newspaper articles appeared favoring those opposed to the Madrona LID. The *Seattle Sun*, a community newspaper, included a ¼ page picture of some of the opponents, and the *Seattle Times* printed a ½ page human-interest story titled “Madrona Man Battles for ‘Misfits’” that was accompanied by a photograph of a worried-looking me.
- In mid-Dec. 1977 the City Council’s Utility Committee again voted. Randy Revelle (who’d been absent for the Nov. vote) voted to fund “Engineering Studies” that would result in a “Design Phase” for the Madrona LID and the vote carried.
- In March 1978 the city’s Energy Committee met and voted to table the Design Phase, pending a survey of LID inhabitants to be designed and executed by the mayor’s Office of Policy Planning (OPP). Our sign-up sheet at that meeting totaled 59 excited and upset voters.
- Long articles in the *Seattle Times* and *Seattle Post Intelligencer* covered growing problems of displacement of low-income people from gentrifying neighborhoods.
- During the summer, City Attorney Grant Wilcox questioned the validity of the 50/50 costs and Steven Loyd, Energy Committee clerk, released a memo suggesting that splits in benefits should be reflected in splits in payments. This raised concerns about the real costs of assessments to homeowners if undergrounding occurred.
- In Sept. 1978 the OPP questionnaire was distributed to the Madrona LID area. Results reported to the Energy

Committee in Oct. 1978 showed support for the LID had dropped from 50.9 to 35 percent and opposition had risen to 50 percent. What caused this? My guess is that a number of people who would have liked to bury the wires had become aware of the difficulties the LID would pose for lower-income neighbors. Also important was that the cover letter for the OPP survey stated that per house costs would be greater than had been previously announced.

- On the last day of Oct. 1978 the Energy Committee canceled the Madrona Undergrounding LID. Randy Revelle literally threw up his hands. Three reports followed on city policy about burying wires. The first presented and analyzed the questionnaire data in Madrona. The second two dwelt on the injustice of using LID power to accomplish cosmetic results, arguing that the 50 percent contribution from Seattle City Light took money from all neighborhoods to beautify high-income ones. By mid-March 1979 LIDs in Seattle effectively ended when Mayor Charles Royer vetoed an appropriation for the design phase of an undergrounding LID in Seward Park.

Editor’s Note: Mr. Stewart’s timeline is based on printed material; his recollections are his own. Those who would like to contribute their recollections of the Madrona LID to *Madrona News* are invited to be in touch at madronanews@gmail.com to obtain guidelines and word limits. Deadlines for upcoming newsletters are April 8 and May 5.

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On March 1 the Pacific Northwest Historians Guild presented its annual Guild award to Madrona resident Junius Rochester, noting "For decades Junius Rochester has actively contributed to history—especially Seattle history—in its most local aspects: neighborhoods, buildings, and institutions. Author of numerous books and articles, he lectures authoritatively on various topics. Rochester is an independent, self-supporting historian, member of the Pacific Northwest Historians Guild since its inception and an early president, and officer in many other community organizations."

Judson MacLaury, a semiretired historian (U.S. Dept. of Labor until 2006), will present a paper on the origins of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 at the annual conference of the Organization of American Historians in April. The paper is based on his book *To Advance Their Opportunities* which was reviewed in the Feb. 2009 issue of this newsletter. The book is available gratis in a new, lightly revised online version at publisher Newfound Press's website found at newfoundpress.utk.edu/pubs/macLaury/to-advance.html

Golden Wheat Bakery at 2908 E. Cherry celebrated its first full year of operations in March.

Bryan Kappa wants neighbors to know about a service he started to help homeowners get free woodchips from arborists. It's called Chip Drop, and information about it is available at www.chipdrop.in. There are a few rules for using the service that are essential to read about on the site. Bryan is currently working with about 20 arborists in the area, but expanding quickly. He can be reached at 503-621-6830.

Madrona Dining & Sipping Society

By Audrey Seale, 36th Ave.

MDSS will welcome Ethan Stowell's Red Cow to the neighborhood in our preferred style: eating there! On three consecutive nights, April 21, 22, and 23 Red Cow will have a table set for 10 MDSS guests. A prix fixe dinner—perhaps a different menu each night—will showcase the Red Cow signature for Madrona. If you are on the MDSS email list, you will receive invites to reserve your spot on one, two, or all three nights...but only 10 of us per night. Prepare to be delighted. If you are not yet on the list, contact audreyseale@comcast.net.

How about a trip to Chuck's Hop Shop in May for 100s of beers, many on tap plus brats and a nightly food truck? Watch for details later this spring.

The March Bistro Turkuaz dinner is now part of the MDSS legend. Celebrating her seven years in our neighborhood, chef and owner Ugur topped off a delicious home style meal with her amazing "dessert" Ask someone in MDSS for the recipe.

The neighbors who enjoy the dinners out with MDSS all year also share the fun: Again, MDSS is sponsoring the Mayfair Parade, providing the fees to close the streets, bring in the police cars and fire trucks, and providing decorations for the bikes, trikes and every other imaginable wheeled transportation for the kids of Madrona. Go MDSS and follow our Mayfair Parade banner to Mayfair activities at Madrona Playfield. Thanks to everyone for this ongoing support.


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Start Small and Build It, Madrona

By Rachel Carey DeBusk, Lakeside Ave. S.

“Will Power” and “Motivation” get a lot of attention in the health and fitness world, often popping up annoyingly in people’s status updates. Aspirational quotes with groovy fonts and transcendent images about these two—evidently the George Clooney and Brad Pitt of health-improvement—litter the internet, suggesting that being motivated and having will power is sexy.

But when you study the psychology of behavior change, especially as it relates to health, fitness, and nutrition, you see there’s a less glamorous but much more important player: Habit. Look at that. Is it any wonder that there’s less focus on such a short cute, dismissible word? It rhymes with Rabbit for freaksake! Surely Will Power and Motivation could put the beat down on Habit, right?

Actually, habits are supreme. They’re what you do! They can be simple or complex, but the beauty of a habit is that you’ve removed the incredibly energy-intensive, easily derailed process of decision-making. When a habit is in force, your brain has literally settled down and runs a highly efficient program for getting you to do something without a lot of thought. Once a habit is in place, it’s self-sustaining. You don’t need will power or motivation. At least, you don’t rely on them nearly as much as you would without a habit.

One thing we know from recent research about will power is that it gets depleted. The more self-regulation you do in the course of the day, the harder it becomes to summon more self-regulation and discipline to do something, UNLESS you’ve already made that thing a habit. That’s why some people say, “I could never work out in the evenings—I don’t have the willpower!” That’s probably because it’s their habit to work out in the morning. People who successfully work out in the evening don’t leave it to will power. They’ve built the evening workout into a habit, so it’s just what they do.

The takeaway: focus on developing consistent habits rather than pitting yourself against the fickle tides of motivation and will power. What two to three small, easy (even symbolic) healthy actions could you build in at the same predictable times every day? Tie the new actions to something you already do consistently. Give yourself a week or two just getting into the

rhythm of doing the small new things every day. After that, you can add volume, intensity, duration, or complexity gradually. Before long, that will just be what you do. You can reach me at Rachel@UnstillLife.com.

Vote April 22 on Proposition 1 on Transportation

Many recent Madrona newsletters have outlined profound city-wide effects of proposed cuts in Metro services due to a \$75 million gap in transit funding. The State Legislature did not act to provide mechanisms for closing this funding gap, and so now it is up to King County voters to decide; that is why it is important for residents to cast their votes on April 22 (Earth Day). Additional information is available at: www.movekingcountynow.org

If Proposition 1 DOES NOT pass that day, residents of Madrona and surrounding neighborhoods would:

- see major changes to route 2 that serves Madrona. Specifically, the No. 2 from Madrona would be rerouted down Madison and terminate at 1st Ave. rather than travel on Seneca and 3rd Ave. to Seattle Ctr. and Queen Anne as it currently does
- no longer be able to take the No. 8 route south to the Mt. Baker Light Rail Station or north to Group Health or Seattle Ctr.
- see the No. 27 service to Leschi, a community that has had continuous transit service since before Washington State’s constitution was ratified, cut (likely to peak-only service)

If Proposition 1 DOES pass, these are some results:

- The funding gap will be closed, thus alleviating Metro’s need to make 17% cuts in service. Proposition 1 also will generate funds to repair roads.
- Residents will pay a flat \$60 car tab and 0.1% sales tax increase to provide funding for Metro (60 percent) and roads (40 percent). The King County Council included a provision for a partial car-tab rebate for low-income car owners, and also adopted a low-income bus fare to mitigate the impacts of the tax structure.
- The County anticipates that Metro will wait at least 6 months before taking up consideration of future restructuring and these will most likely address areas where new service is introduced.

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Madrona Composer Presents A Work for Children and Families

Madrona-based composer Aaron Grad will present a unique opportunity for children and their families with *The Lost Voice*, a musical fable that tells the story of a boy who loses his voice when faced with life's hardships. To find his voice again, he journeys to a magical forest where he encounters animal allies and reclaims his own true song. This world premiere production features bass-baritone Jonathan Silvia, the Seattle Modern Orchestra conducted by Julia Tai, handmade animal masks, audience participation, and a special encore that answers the question: *What Does the Fox Say?* The work drives home the message that every voice deserves to be heard, and it aspires to empower the freedom of individual expression in children and adults alike.

The performance is scheduled for April 6 at 2:00pm and will run for approximately 45 minutes. It is ideal for children ages 5- 11 and their families. Langston Hughes Performing Arts Institute at 104 17th Ave. S., Pay what you wish--no tickets required.

Madrona K-8 Will Host Silent Auction during Mayfair

Planning is underway for the First Annual Madrona K-8 Silent Auction which will be part of the Mayfair Block Party on Sat. May 10, from 9:30am-1:00pm. Each spring, Mayfair brings neighborhood families to the Madrona Playfield for a community-building tradition. The Madrona K-8 Silent Auction promises to be a terrific fundraiser, but we need neighborhood support to make it successful.

The fundraising goal for K-8 is an ambitious \$10,000. All funds raised will enhance students' learning by providing classroom technology and supplies, supporting arts and music enrichment programming, and covering field trip expenses. Here's how the Madrona Community can help reach Madrona K-8's fundraising goal:

- *Donate a good or service.* If you have a special skill (cooking, gardening, organizing, etc.), donate a free session or service; if you have tickets or gift certificates to local events or for goods or services, donate those; if you have a vacation property or timeshare, donate a weekend stay there.
- *Spread the word about the Auction.* Invite friends, neighbors, and family to attend on May 10.
- *Attend the Madrona Mayfair Block Party.* Enjoy activities like pony rides, bouncy houses, break dancing lessons, a yo-yo contest, and a concert by the *Recess Monkeys* and bid on Auction items.

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Neighborhood School News

Epiphany Brownie Troop Serves the Community

By Jill Miller, Director of Development

On an unseasonably warm Feb. afternoon, Madrona residents took notice of 12 girls in Brownie uniforms carrying cases of Girl Scout cookies up 34th Avenue. The girls, all third graders at Epiphany School and members of Brownie Troop 45174, were not preparing to sell the cookies, but rather to deliver them as donations, and take another step to carry out Brownie commitments to serve the community.

Having recently delivered handmade coats and homemade treats to dogs at a local shelter, the Brownies turned their attention to finding a way to help children. Their cookie sales afforded them the opportunity to do so. With the support of generous customers, well over a hundred boxes were designated for charitable donations. After careful deliberation, the Brownies voted to donate the cookies to Amara, a Madrona nonprofit whose mission is to create and support stable, loving homes for vulnerable children.

The Brownies were welcomed at Amara, with much appreciation expressed for the cookie delivery. The Brownies enjoyed learning about the adoption process and viewing the photos of the many families brought together by Amara. The Brownies left feeling happy that they were able to contribute to an organization committed to helping children in need of permanent homes.

St. Therese Catholic Academy

The season of Lent started on March 5 with students attending an Ash Wednesday prayer service. Students will celebrate Lent with prayer service, an all school rosary and Stations of the Cross. Holy Week will be observed with a Seder Meal on Holy Thursday and observance of Good Friday with prayers and a walking Stations of the Cross. Easter Sunday will start the beginning our Easter Break.

Enrollment for the 2014-2015 school year is now underway. If you, or someone you know is interested in a Catholic education for their children please contact the school to set up a tour time and to learn more about all of the wonderful happenings at STCA. Tuition assistance is available for families that qualify. We have openings in Preschool through Eighth grade.

The \$15/hour Wage

By Burke Shethar, Madrona Ale House

Ed. Note: On Feb 23, *Seattle Times* columnist Danny Westneat featured St. Cloud's John Platt's perspective on the proposed \$15 an hour wage. The article concluded that Seattle needs "to have this debate." Burke Shethar provided additional perspective below after reading Westneat's column.

I was interested in the many people opining that with a \$15 minimum wage businesses dependent on minimum wage workforces would leave the city limits, that tipping would cease, and that automation would replace human labor. That would be sad because restaurant jobs are great first jobs to learn about working, showing up on time, teamwork, and responsibility. Hard workers can start at minimum wage, but as they learn new skills, they earn more responsibility, become more valuable, and can become top dogs--no school, no loans, no debt, no prior know-how. Restaurants provide no barrier to entry other than a willingness to work.

I have had kids with rough backgrounds recite the same litany from their street friends, "I gotta' quit this life, I gotta' get in the kitchen." My chef Carlos fits that profile; he was in a gang, and getting in trouble. His family brought him to Seattle where he started to work. Mind you, he arrived here with no English, no schooling, no experience. He's not making a fortune, but he started at \$8 an hour and now makes a salary with bonuses. He has a family of four and is a U.S. citizen. He is a ferocious worker, cool under pressure, is coachable and is willing to learn--I feel like I won the lottery as a business owner to have him and many other good staffers.

For servers, the incentive plan works: if you do a better job you make more money. For consumers, tipping is important and empowering, giving the consumer a full and clear voice on service satisfaction. Taking tipping away would disempower the consumer. In most, if not all, restaurants, tips are reported at closeout, giving management direct insight into customer service quality. I am a pretty laid back owner and trust my GM Casey, but when I see a server trending below a 15 percent average in nightly tips, I worry that the job may not be a good fit. If coaching doesn't work, I believe it is best for that staffer to find work that does fit. This is one of my most trusted and time-tested tools.

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Automation conjures up images of *Soylent Green* and every other dystopian sci-fi flick in my mind. I think every neighborhood needs a local gathering pub (hence development and sad decline of my pub empire) that is based on human interaction. If your beer and food is served by a labor-saving machine, you might as well stay at home.

Am I against a minimum wage? No. But I am against raising minimum wage 60 percent overnight. As Platt suggested, this proposed minimum wage hike has not been thought through. If the bottom goes up 60 percent, then everyone else who has worked to improve their own wages would like the same increase out of fairness, right? Math also dictates that costs need to rise to cover higher wages. One suggested plan was to stagger wage increases over time, but I believe the end result would create the island of the City of Seattle—a city that created wage-driven inflation that crippled local businesses large and small. In the very short-term, low wage earners would gain wages but likely lose their local jobs and likely have to commute as their jobs are moved outside the city limits. Then the winners will be the surrounding towns and cities, but the Seattle neighborhoods that are home to restaurants and other small businesses would be the losers.

Mutt Match-up Answers: Betsy and Bella;
Wayne and Jesse; Susan and Harley

Sidewalks and Trees Update

By S. Wayne Duncan, 35th Ave.

At the March 4 MCC meeting Jennifer Wieland and Amalia Leighton provided an update on the extensive work that has been going on over the past two months in the SDOT-funded project to develop new guidelines for resolving problems related to trees and sidewalks in Madrona and throughout the city of Seattle.

Wieland is the SDOT project manager of the “Trees and Sidewalks Operations Plan,” and Leighton is the lead consultant from the SvR Design Co. In addition, a multidisciplinary team of engineers, planners, landscape architects, soil scientists, and others are contributing to this project.

Three major areas of work were highlighted at the meeting. Wieland reported that extensive staff work has gone into reviewing “best practices” in, primarily, U.S. cities. From this work they have identified a number of key areas that a revised Trees and Sidewalks Operations Plan will include: a city tree list with more detailed information on the reasons for certain choices, a more comprehensive and transparent process for assessing the health and value of trees, new options for meeting accessibility requirements, more in-depth explanations of the easement process and considerations, and a description of ongoing funding needs for sidewalk repairs and replacement, tree maintenance, and the planting of new trees.

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Friday, April 18 • after the 7:30 pm service*, Chapel

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The second major area that Jennifer and Amalia covered was the identification of two other case study locations that will complement the 34th Ave. corridor one in Madrona; this study extending from E. Union St. to E. Cherry Street. The other two areas are in Rainier Beach (S. Henderson St. to Seward Park Ave. S.) and Lake City (35th Ave. NE from NE 125th St. to 130th St.). In addition, some "spot locations" in the International District, Ballard, and South Park will be chosen to demonstrate some specific problems and possible solutions.

The third major area presented was the plan for public involvement in reviewing the work in these areas and making decisions that will guide city departments, residents, home owners, and businesses for years to come. Three meetings will be held in Madrona, all at Madrona K-8 School Library from 6:30-8:30pm. On Tuesday, March 25, the best practices research findings will be reviewed with particular emphasis on the assessment tool for evaluating sidewalks and trees. Mailings (traditional and electronic) and public notices will be used to encourage participation of a wide cross-section of Madrona residents. Two subsequent meetings will be held on Tuesday, April 29, and Thursday, May 29 (also at the Madrona K-8 School Library) to look more closely at specific recommendations for the 34th Ave. corridor. Other information will be available on the project's website for those who are unable to participate in these meetings; see www.seattle.gov/transportation/treesandsidewalks_links.htm.

In Praise of Little Things

By Judith Starbuck, Grand Ave.

Recently I've noticed the beauty of little things in the Woods. After a rain, tiny droplets line the branches of the trail-side shrubs. Almost miniscule new leaves have appeared on the snowberries, and by the time you read this, they will be almost full-sized (although still not large). Shoots are venturing out of the soil on their way to becoming trilliums, piggy-back, fringe cup, or inside-out-plant. We've declared war on the ones that are bent on becoming scilla/Spanish bluebells, and dug out many on the 38th St. edge at Jan.-Feb. They may be pretty, but oh how they spread to take over!


You may notice some extra activity at the Spring/Grand entrance. The Parks Department Natural Area Crew will be installing range fencing at the kiosk area, doing some low planting, and installing signage that reads "closed for restoration" and displays Parks' vegetation removal policy. The Crew also will be doing repairs and restoration in other parts of the Woods.

Our next monthly work party is scheduled for April 26, 10:00 am -1:00pm. Meet at the kiosk at 38th and Marion to get gloves and tools. To sign up ahead, go to cedar.greencitypartnerships.org and click on CEDAR. Put in Green Seattle Partnership and select Madrona Park to indicate you'll be attending. You can find announcements of work parties and all kinds of interesting information and photos on our website: www.madronawoods.org. And we have a Facebook page too.

Madrona Mayfair Block Party - Saturday May 10


Mark your calendars for the Mayfair Block Party 2014. This year, the Madrona Community Council will host this annual neighborhood tradition with fun activities for all ages. The morning will kick off with its parade starting at 34th and Pike at 9:30. After the parade finishes at the Madrona Playfield, festivities on offer there include: shows by Charles the Clown and the Reptile Man, pony rides, face painting, a first-ever photo booth, break dancing lessons, an obstacle course, a yo-yo contest. All these wonderful activities for Mayfair 2014 culminate with a FREE concert in the park with the very popular group *Recess Monkey*. There also will be food and drinks available until noon. This year, Madrona K-8 School will also host their First Annual Silent Auction to raise funds that enhance students' learning by providing classroom technology and supplies, supporting arts and music enrichment programming, and covering field trip expenses.

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WEEKLY RECURRING EVENTS:

- MONDAYS** Tom Bennett and the Rolling Blackouts—Playing every Monday evening at St. Clouds. www.tombennettmusic.com
- MON & THURS** 6:00am – 7:00am **Bootcamp Class**—Get up early and get fit! Madison Park Physical Therapy. For details contact Nikki Lundin www.nikkfitt.com
- TUES & THURS** 9:30am – 10:30am **Work out with us!**—Madrona Playfield, Garfield Track and other neighborhood locations. Contact Rachel@UnstillLife.com
- WEDNESDAYS** 1:00pm – 3:00pm **Open/Free New Moms Circle**—at NOOK: Pilates and Movement Studio. Leatha McKenzie on NookPilates@gmail.com or 557-8881
6:30pm – 7:45pm **Rachel x Two**—Fun/social track workouts for all levels of runners. Garfield High School Track, group runs. RachelD@RachelxTwo.com
- WED & FRI** 8:30am – 9:00am **Meditation**—Guided silent meditation led by Pieter Drummond. Epiphany Chapel, pieter@stonegroundmeditation.com
- THURSDAYS** 10:00am – 12:00pm **All Threads Together**—Conversation, knitting, crocheting, needlepoint. Epiphany Library, Trish Stone, twallstone@yahoo.com
11:00am **Family Story Time**—Bring your preschoolers and toddlers to enjoy stories, rhymes, songs. Madrona Library, 684-4705
6:00pm – 8:00pm **Wine Maker Reception & Free Tasting**—Support our local winemakers at Bottlehouse, 1416 34th Ave www.bottlehouseseattle.com
7:30pm **ALANON Meeting**—Great Hall, Epiphany Episcopal, 1805 38th Avenue, 324-2573
- FRIDAYS** 7:30am – 8:30am **Madrona/Leschi Citizens Against the War**—Quiet demonstration, 23rd & Union, Kathy Barker kbarker715@comcast.net
- SATURDAYS** 10:00am **Free Yoga Class**—Conscious Body Pilates, 3317 East Union St. consciousbodypilates.com
2:00pm – 4:00pm **Free Wine Tasting at Madrona Wine Merchants**—1127 34th Avenue. For more information consult www.MadronaWineMerchants.com
- WEEKENDS** 9:00am – 5:00pm **Donate Used Goods**—Northwest Center Big Blue Truck. Grocery Outlet parking lot. www.bigbluetruck.org

- Apr 1 7:15pm **Madrona Community Council Meeting** – Everyone welcome! Madrona Playfield Shelterhouse. Holly Smith, ho2lye@yahoo.com
- Apr 2 7:00pm **Leschi Community Council Meeting**—Central Area Senior Center, 500 30th Ave. S. Diane Snell for information Jdsnell1@comcast.net
- Apr 5 9:00am–3:00pm **Neighborhood Work Party for the Leschi Natural Area**—Rain or shine we will meet at the Park entrance at 36th Ave and East Terrace. Gloves and lunch provided for participants. Contact Bunny and Fran Wood 323-2296 or Diane Morris 322-7648
- Apr 6 2:00pm **The Lost Voice Musical Fable**—Langston Hughes Performing Arts Institute, 104 17th Ave. S.
- Apr 7 9:30am–10:15am **First Mondays with Mary**—Join Madrona K-8 principal Mary McDaniel for an informal conversation regarding the school. <http://madronak8.seattleschools.org>
- Apr 9 **Solo Exhibition by Madrona artist Esther Ervin**—Form/Space Atelier, 2407 1st Ave., 349-2509. Opening reception at 6:00pm on Apr 11
- Apr 12 2:00pm–5:00pm **Madrona Art Walk**—See art work displayed and listen to live music at a variety of Madrona businesses. Contact BOOM Madrona: madronabusineses@gmail.com
- Apr 16 9:00am–1:00pm **Homeless Cooking Wednesday**—Bring a knife and a cutting board. Donations of fresh food (no protein) and money always welcome. St. Clouds Restaurant. Contact John Platt, john@stclouds.com
- Apr 22 **Earth Day; Vote on Transportation Bill**
- Apr 24 6:30pm–8:00pm **EastPac Meeting**—Discuss activities and issues within Seattle's East Pricinct. Seattle University's Chardin Hall, Room 142, 1020 E Jefferson. Contact Stephanie Tschida cheeda11@gmail.com
- Apr 26 10:00am–1:00pm **Friends of Madrona Woods Work Party**—Meet at 38th and Marion, or contact Peter Mason peterma5@msn.com
- Apr 29 6:30–8:30pm **SDOT Recommendations for 34th Ave Corridor**—Madrona K-8 School Library

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