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## Council Corner

*by Nikki Lundin, E. Marion*

Joanne Donahue explained the Central District TimeBank. It is a sharing services (i.e, pet sitting, taking care of elderly, teaching cooking) and storing up credits to get other services (similar in nature) in return. It's a great way to meet people in the community or if a person is new to the neighborhood. Bill asked if this had been marketed and Joanne didn't know how to get on Madrona Moms. Susan and I both said we could help get the word out to MM's.

Soni Davè-Schock spoke on behalf of BOOM, explaining that she and others applied for and were selected by SDOT to explore establishing a Madrona parklet in front of Hi Spot on 34th Ave. Brian dePlace from SDOT also spoke to explain the Seattle Pilot program for parklets. See the related article in this issue for additional information. The June 3 MCC meeting also will solicit input on the Madrona parklet.

Mayfair plans are underway. Bill will pick up tents from the Garfield Comm. Center. Barbara mentioned the need for small dollar bills to make change during Mayfair. I reported that we need a few more volunteers.

Future Events include the Madrona Yard/Garage sale which is scheduled for June 28. Rob Ward is in charge. Additionally, there is growing interest on behalf of the Leschi Market and attendees for a bigger space to host the fall wine tasting benefit. We decided to explore options for other venues. No one had a definitive answer on whether there will be a movie night in the park this summer. Someone said that BOOM paid for it last year and they lost money. Susan mentioned that other community councils think that MCC is "flush" and they want to know what our standards and best practices are. It was generally agreed that we were in a deficit position several years ago, and have slowly dug ourselves out with sponsored events. However, it is important that other neighbors get involved if new events are added or old ones continue.

In other business Barbara read a very nice letter to the MCC from Nancy Minard

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## Genesis House Bids a Fond Adieu

*By Monica Ramsey and the Staff of Genesis House*

Our tenure in Madrona has come to an end. As of April 30 the last of our clients was relocated. Our clinical staff worked diligently and placed every adult and child in corresponding treatment facilities throughout the state. Happily these placements were made without separating any families.

On May 10 we had our plant giveaway. It was nice to meet and talk with those of you who came to gather new green friends for your homes and say good-bye to ours. We are truly blessed to have had such tremendous support over the 41 years we were in operation.

Many of you asked why we were closing. The answer is simple... state funding is no longer focused on long-term residential treatment and daily rates have not had a significant increase in nearly 20 years. Combined with

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## Special Events at Bottlehouse and Wilridge Winery

Bottlehouse will host a series of pop-ups throughout the summer, punctuated by their June 7 Fourth Birthday Party from 6:00-9:00pm. Guests are invited to enjoy food and drink specials and the music of DJ Deegan.

On June 22 Bottlehouse and Wilridge Winery will host a "Bye to the Barrel" party at 3:00pm, celebrating the end of an era for the trademark Wilridge barrel that has long stood at 1416 34th Ave. To commemorate the event, there will be special barrel tastings.



## 23rd Ave. Action Plan

The Seattle Department of Transportation has worked on the 23rd Avenue Corridor Improvements project throughout the year to better serve pedestrians, bike riders and vehicles in the Central District. The public May meeting was with artist Martha Jackson Jarvis who will work with project design consultants, SDOT, community representative, and the Office of Arts & Culture to develop permanent public art that treats the 23rd Avenue corridor as a unified experience, with areas of focus around Union, Cherry and Jackson Streets. The project spans 23rd Avenue from Hill Street to Roanoke Street, and will include new pavement, sidewalk and lighting improvements along with public art.

Quanlin Hu expects to attend the June 3 MCC meeting to update Madrona neighbors on plans to date. The group expects to present a final 23rd Avenue Action Plan document and updates on community priorities and action teams in Sept. For information, contact Kerry Wade at [kerry.wade@seattle.gov](mailto:kerry.wade@seattle.gov) or Quanlin Hu at [quanlin.hu@seattle.gov](mailto:quanlin.hu@seattle.gov).

## Council Corner... (cont'd from previous page)

whose husband Laury was honored as a Madrona Appreciation recipient. Bill attended the April SDOT meeting on sidewalks and trees. He said that there is a three step SDOT process with trees. Bill confirmed that he had sent a letter to SDOT requesting a moratorium on additional tree removal, and he noted that Seattle City Light should be a part of the conversation because they do interact with the trees. Next meeting is scheduled for June 3; this is the last meeting until fall.

## Genesis House.. (cont'd from previous page)

increased regulatory demands we no longer had a financially sustainable model. Many of you also asked what we were planning to do with the profits from the sale of Genesis House buildings and land. I am happy to tell you that the Board of Directors are working on creating an endowment plan to continue to fund chemical dependency treatment in our region. There is also the possibility of opening a future treatment facility in a different location when the political and financial environment is conducive to long term care. Whatever the future holds we continue to be committed to our mission to help people recover from the ravages of addiction.

And so we say good-bye. But mostly we say "Thank you" to each and every one of you who supported and encouraged us throughout the years. We saved hundreds of lives and helped break the cycle of addiction in many, many families. Our successes are also your successes. We couldn't have done it without your help.

## Madrona Community Council Meeting \*Draft Agenda for June 3th

7:15pm at Madrona Playfield Shelterhouse. All Welcome!!

- Update on 23rd Avenue Action Plan (Quanlin Hu of the Department of Planning and Development (DPD))
- Update on the parklet proposed for 34th Ave.
- Mayfair - recap
- General discussion on future events: neighborhood yard sale, neighborhood BBQ, movie in the park, wine tasting fundraiser logistics, etc.
- Planning for summer board meeting
- Other business
- Treasurer's report

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## Letter to the Editor: Use of our community newsletter...

*By Burke Shethar, Madrona Alehouse*

This newsletter is a wonderful community asset for sharing news and opinions. It is volunteer run and I am grateful to be able to write for it. But I don't feel it is a great venue to publicly insult community members.

I am a 20-year neighborhood resident. I created and have owned the Madrona Alehouse for 18 years; my dream was to create a neighborhood place for people to meet and share community. I am proud of our tenure and the neighborhood support we have enjoyed. Two newsletter issues ago, I shared my opinion as a small business owner on the proposed \$15/hour minimum wage, cautioning that a sudden and dramatic 60 percent increase in wages would unduly challenge my own and many other small businesses. Such a wage increase would increase overhead and likely increase the cost of dining out as much as 30-40 percent, taking dinner for a family of four from \$70 to \$95+. I'd go out less often with my family because I can't afford it and I think the majority of my loyal patrons are in the same boat. If prices go up, then demand goes down; ultimately people lose jobs and businesses can go under.

Sadly, a local gentleman used the community newsletter to publicly call me out for "blatant exploitation of Madrona Alehouse's workforce." Wow. He goes on to suggest that I am relegating staffers to poverty and government payouts such as food stamps. This is a very educated and successful gentleman and I believe he is passionate about US income inequality. I agree with him on this, so I can only conclude that his hot button was pushed and he did not read my opinion closely. The issue of raising minimum wage is complex and varies for many different sectors. As I said in my article, I am not against a living wage (I would love to pay my staff more), but I am against sudden changes. I am grateful that Mayor Murray's plan is to phase in the wage increases and will recognize all reportable income and benefits. Businesses and consumers need this timed phase-in.

Madrona is a great neighborhood and we all should be proud and thankful to those who have tirelessly (and often thanklessly) created our community newsletter. Income equality is important to

our community as a whole. This is a perfect topic for discussion with neighborhood peers. The answers and implementation are challenging but if we are thoughtful, we can meet the challenge. As consumers, we do need to understand that things will cost more and we will be less competitive than the businesses north and south of the Seattle city limits. But I think under the Mayor's plan, the chances are good that it will doable.

## The Madrona News

The *Madrona News* is produced 10 months a year by, for, and about Madrona and nearby neighborhoods. Everyone who works on the newsletter is a volunteer, and many articles and ideas come from readers like you. If you have ideas about articles you would like to write, interviews you'd like to conduct, features you'd like to see (or wish to see no longer) please be in touch with us at [madronanews@gmail.com](mailto:madronanews@gmail.com). When time permits, we interview neighbors who've made a special contribution to the neighborhood, the region, or beyond. Most suggestions for who we interview come from readers. Madrona is a diverse neighborhood and the newsletter is intended to represent that diversity in its pages.

## Hazard Mitigation

As we've seen in our region and nationally, disasters can and do happen to us. Now is the time to let City officials know your thoughts!

Are you more concerned about a major earthquake or a winter storm? A tsunami or local flooding? A nuclear reactor meltdown or a traffic accident where hazardous materials are released? All of the above? In the Pacific Northwest, we face 18 different hazards both natural and man-made. The City is responsible for developing a plan to reduce risks, but needs help to develop a process that allows us to work together to reduce the impact and keep ourselves and our property safe. We need your help to create a plan that takes into account all of our needs and resources.

It is through our Hazard Mitigation Plan that we outline how we will reduce our vulnerability to the impacts of these disasters. This could include things like:

- Stabilizing slopes to prevent landslides.

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## Hazard Mitigation.. (cont'd from previous page)

- Evaluating buildings and strengthening them to allow them to withstand earthquakes.
- Identifying areas in the city that flood during heavy rains and improve drainage.
- Teaching families and neighborhoods how to protect their homes and families from the impacts of disaster.

The existing plan is being updated as part of the City's emergency management program. For more information or to review Seattle's existing plan please visit: [www.seattle.gov/emergency/prepare/mitigation/](http://www.seattle.gov/emergency/prepare/mitigation/).

### *How can you help?*

Our plan is only as good as the input we get. **That means we need to hear from you!** Please complete our Disaster Mitigation Survey (it will only take 5 minutes).

### **Thank you!**

OEM appreciates your participation! As partners in updating the Hazard Mitigation Plan, we can think through and better prepare for the hazards we face together.

### **Questions?**

For questions about Seattle's Hazard Mitigation Plan or the update process please contact Ms. Voss at (206) 233-5089 or [HazardMitigationPlanUpdate@seattle.gov](mailto:HazardMitigationPlanUpdate@seattle.gov).

## Feel-Good Work

*By Judith Starbuck, Grand Ave.*

I often find it easier to go out to spend a few hours removing invasive plants in Madrona Woods than to do the same thing in my own back yard. Partly that's because I like spending time with the other people who also come to work in the Woods. Partly it's the beautiful setting, from the light-filled canopy of evergreen and deciduous trees to the frequent discoveries of valiant little plants uncovered on the forest floor. And partly it's that it makes me feel good to be helping to restore this little piece of earth near home, when I feel so helpless in the face of the much larger problems of the planet. Come out to one of the summer's work parties to see if helping to maintain the restored Madrona Woods makes you feel the same. If you don't have time or inclination to join a work party, take a walk through the Woods just to enjoy its beauty and tranquility.

Work parties will be on the fourth Saturday of each month: June 28, July 26, and August 23 from 10:00am -1:00pm. Check the website for details of where to meet and work to be done: [www.madronawoods.org/get-involved/work-parties/](http://www.madronawoods.org/get-involved/work-parties/). You can sign up ahead from there, or go to [cedar.greencitypartnerships.org](http://cedar.greencitypartnerships.org) and click on CEDAR. Put in Green Seattle Partnership and select Madrona Park. Indicate that 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](http://www.madronawoods.org). And we have a Facebook page too.



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## Tree Update, 34th Ave.

The two mature trees in front of the Madrona Refuge Building at 1126 34th Ave. were removed in March. As promised, the building's developer installed larger than planned caliper trees to mitigate removal of the mature trees. These new trees are in keeping with efforts to maintain the 34th Ave. canopy.

More recently, just south of the Madrona Refuge Building at 1120 34th Ave, a third mature tree was removed on March 27. When SDOT evaluated that tree earlier in 2014, they expected to root prune to accommodate new construction at that site. However, a severe pruning at the hands of Seattle City Light removed about a third of the tree, and the combined impact of that pruning and the planned root pruning led to a revised decision to remove the mature tree and replant another (smaller) tree after construction ends. The lack of coordination among SDOT, City Light, and Metro is an important issue and needs to be addressed in the tree and sidewalks operations plan that is currently being developed by SDOT in collaboration with Madrona and two other neighborhoods. Barbara Gray is working to elicit participation by Seattle City Light and Metro.

As a result of apparent confusion over who is doing what, Wayne Duncan representing Safe Sidewalks and Healthy Trees, requested that SDOT call a moratorium on further removal of mature trees on the 34th Ave. corridor until the SDOT Healthy Trees and Safe Sidewalks plan is completed in June. MCC agreed to support a moratorium on tree removal and sent a letter to that effect to SDOT that also recommended additional city departmental coordination to facilitate the development process on the Healthy Trees and Safe Sidewalks project.

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## Madrona History

*By Casey Losh, 31st Ave.*

The two gentlemen pictured are William Ewing and his son Henry "Bud" Ewing. My father worked for Bud Ewing and



when he retired, my father and two other men bought the company from Bud.

It is kind of hard to see in a grainy and

old picture like this, but the second property advertised on the left in the window is "Madrona 'By the Lake' Nearly New \$14,750."

Ewing and Clark really has roots going back to the 1880's when it was called Calhoun Denny & Ewing. We are the oldest real estate company on the west coast. According to Bud Ewing, John L. Scott, the person, started his real estate career at Ewing & Clark. I have no proof John L Scott worked here, but that is company lore....I assume it is true since Bud would have known.

## June 28 Madrona Garage Sale Sign-Ups Open

The Madrona Neighborhood Garage Sale is set for June 28. Rob Ward of the Madrona Community Council (MCC) will coordinate by producing a map of Madrona sales on the 28th, to appear online and in print form at home/garage sale locations. Last year the sale attracted over 20 participants, bringing many shoppers into the neighborhood.

After last year's MCC Garage Sale, neighbor Bill Thieleman wrote:

Just wanted to take a minute to thank you for your part in making the Madrona yard sale happen. My friends and I had lots of fun, starting with an early breakfast and preliminary "swap-a-rama" before getting rid of a few of our treasures. While we made even less than at the rainy event

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# Summer Sipping

By Jim Maloney, Madrona Wine Merchants

Although we can drink them all year round, certain wines come into their own in summer. The warm weather arrives and brings on a thirst for the cool, the crisp, and the refreshing. Below a few ideas for summer quaffing.

- **Rosés** — Everyone know how good the rosés from the south of France (especially Provence) are. But we are finding some great ones from other regions as well. Three of our current favorites are:
  - 2013 Armas de Guerra Mencia Rosé from Spain
  - 2013 Ott & Murphy Chanson Rosé
  - 2013 San Giovanni Il Chiaretto Valtènesi
- **Vinho Verde** — This light, crisp, slightly frizzante wine from Portugal is perfect for summer afternoons.
- **Ripe Barbecue Reds** — Big fruity reds like Zinfandel, Washington Syrah and robust red blends go great with anything cooked over the coals.

Here's a recipe for one of our warm weather favorites:

- **White Port and Tonic**
  - A glass full of ice cubes
  - 1 part white port
  - 1 part tonic water
  - Generous squeeze of fresh lemon wedge

Enjoy these and other great warm weather wines.


# Garage Sale.. (cont'd from previous page)

two years ago, we had just as much fun if not more and met many Madrona neighbors. And then Chicken Soup Brigade got a car full of stuff we couldn't bring ourselves to drag back into our houses. Thanks again, neighbor."

So there you have it, rain or shine, big bucks or little ones, the Madrona Garage Sale provides an opportunity for fun and fellowship.

If you'd like to host a garage sale at your place and list it on the neighborhood map, please contact [garagesalemadrona@gmail.com](mailto:garagesalemadrona@gmail.com) no later than noon on June 18. Include your name, address, time you will be hosting your sale (it's up to you), and a short, one sentence description of the things you plan to sell. These might include children's gear, books, household items, small or large furniture, toys, women's clothes, sports equipment, records, etc. Participants who want their sale listed on the community map are asked to provide a \$20 donation to the MCC via Paypal found on the MCC website at [www.madrona.us](http://www.madrona.us). It is really important to send your contact information to [garagesalemadrona@gmail.com](mailto:garagesalemadrona@gmail.com) when you pay. Otherwise, we will not know to list you since emails about participation go to one person and the Paypal money to another. Since we're all volunteers, we need your help to keep this organized. All money raised supports Madrona neighborhood activities, such as the Halloween Party, the Mayfair Block Party, and the *Madrona News*.

Rob is looking for volunteers to help with the event. This would include putting up signs, creating or distributing the print map, or being available the day of the sale. Please send an email to Rob at [garagesalemadrona@gmail.com](mailto:garagesalemadrona@gmail.com) to volunteer.




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## The Central District TimeBank

Joanne Donahue attended the May MCC meeting to describe an opportunity for Central District neighbors to trade services. The website found at [cdtimebank.org](http://cdtimebank.org), notes that founders “recognize that each person has talents to share, and that the overall community is strengthened when neighbors help one another. For every hour that you help meet the needs of another member, you earn a time credit for the exchange. This time credit can then be redeemed for services from others, and the never-ending cycle of sharing continues.” The founders have three main goals: Strengthen the fabric of our community; Serve people and give them a means to serve; Establish new relationships and meet real community needs.

At present the CD TimeBank has enrolled about 50 members, but founders hope numbers will reach 150 and represent a wide variety of skills and talents. The sign-up process is a bit weighty on security concerns. For example, simple passwords are not acceptable. Once membership is approved, people can post skills and services they have to offer, and post requests for skills or talents that other TimeBank members are able to provide.

## Madrona Parklet Input Sought

At the May MCC meeting, Brian de Place from SDOT introduced Seattle’s Pilot Parklet Program—a relatively new venture for Seattle which hopes to roll out 13 parklet programs in 2014. The experimental nature of the program was underscored. Brian noted that parklets do not follow a “one size fits all” philosophy although all are meant to be community gathering spots and all are ADA accessible. Both SDOT representatives and supporters of the Madrona Parklet will attend the June 3 MCC meeting to collect additional community input.

At present, the Madrona parklet is conceptualized as converting one parking space in front of the Hi Spot. In keeping with its character as a gathering spot, the parklet would not be served by restaurants, although people would be welcome to bring their coffee and other nonalcoholic beverages, ice cream, or snacks into the parklet. Merchants along 34th Ave. believe the parklet could improve walkability and the street-scape and free up side-walk space in the narrow 34th Ave. business district corridor.

Community members who attended the meeting expressed

both support and concern about the proposed parklet. There was support for the proposed parklet’s ability to accommodate people who are waiting for a restaurant table or enjoying a coffee or ice cream while talking with friends. Concerns raised included loss of even one parking spot in an increasingly dense neighborhood, possible late-night noise, and accessibility for all. Others wondered if additional parking spaces could be part of the parklet package such as overflow parking in the Amara lot or tying the parklet to timed limits on surrounding streets. These and other issues will be further explored at the June 3 MCC meeting when the Madrona project concept will be introduced, and community members can help to answer questions such as: is this a viable project for the neighborhood? Do we want to do it? And if there is interest, what organizations and individuals want to join the process? Questions at this point can go to SDOT via [Jennifer.Wieland@seattle.gov](mailto:Jennifer.Wieland@seattle.gov).

## EastPAC

*By Dan Sanchez, 36th Ave.*

The East Precinct Advisory Council (EastPAC) provides a forum to resolve public safety priorities; evaluates, advocates and facilitates strategies that reduce crime and improve the quality of life for the East Precinct Community; and actively partners with law enforcement and other entities to address barriers to these outcomes.

The most recent EastPAC meeting featured an SDOT representative who was invited to listen to traffic concerns, specifically the Madison Park Community Council’s budget proposal to improve pedestrian safety at Madison and McGilvra where there has been a history of accidents.

Quite a few people showed up to voice their concerns about violence and other crime in the Central District. East Precinct Commander, Captain Pierre Davis made it clear that people should call 911 for ANY suspicious activity. Even if the police decide not to send a patrol car, the call will be logged and used as an important statistic when allocating resources throughout the city.

Everyone is welcome to EastPAC meetings which are held on the fourth Thursday of each month at Seattle University’s Chardin Hall at 6:30. The meetings are attended by command staff of the precinct who are very responsive to questions and concerns.



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The skies threatened rain, but skirted Mayfair's 38th annual celebration on May 10, yielding an almost perfect day: not too hot, not too cold, just right. The parade—sponsored by Madrona's Dining & Sipping Society—was led by one of Seattle's fire trucks followed closely by enthusiastic drummers from Meter Music School.



*Drummers lead*



*The parade begins*

Little ones and bigger children on decorated trikes, bikes, and scooters were accompanied by even-smaller children in strollers and Bjorns as hundreds of parents, grandparents, friends, and neighbors filmed their favorites in the traditional opening parade from Al Larkins Park to the Madrona Playfield. Conveyances were quickly abandoned in the usual colorful heap, and children sped to attractions provided by the Madrona Community Council.

Speed was of the essence due to the many options, including:

- Break dance demonstrations and lessons
- Bouncy houses that one mother claimed were “the best ever”
- Balloons, yoyos, bubbles
- The always-popular pony rides
- Tot gymnastics and an obstacle course
- Charles the Clown and the Reptile Man
- Face painting
- A first-ever photo booth
- Pots for Tots provided by Cambium Landscape
- Fire truck tours and interaction with real Seattle fire fighters
- Hot dogs, pizza, imperial mixups, bake sale
- The festivities ended with a fabulous concert in the park for all ages by Recess Monkey.



*Syndiey*



*Members of Madrona K-8 Middle School Band*

The Playfield also accommodated many others, including Hillel Cooperman with copies of his book *The Madrona Heroes Register: Echoes of the Past*, a yoyo contest, a silk screener providing Mayfair 2014 images for clothing, a performance by some from Madrona K-8's Middle School Band, the Madrona K-8 Silent auction whose organizers raised 20 percent more than their stated goal, and more. Also occurring on the same day was a final farewell from Genesis House and an open house at the soon-to-be-opening Madrona Refuge building on 34th.

Special thanks go to Aegis Living, Cambium Landscape, Ewing & Clark, Harvard Avenue Preschool, Lakeview Kids Dentistry, Madrona Dining and Sipping, and Molly Moon's.

Thanks also go to MCC Vice President Stacey Kryman who managed the event, Nikki Lundin who coordinated volunteers, Shannon Polson who organized the bake sale, and to all MCC members, friends, and neighbors who volunteered their time to this free community-building event.

Thanks for being there neighbors.



*Stacey Kryman*

## Madrona Business Briefs

The April and May newsletters invited Madrona's small businesses based in homes, virtual, or mobile to send their particulars for this June listing. Responses are below.

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## Spectrum Dance, Here and Away

Spectrum Dance Theater welcomed Zimbabwe's Jimu Makurumbandi as a one-year visiting teacher in residence in April 2014. A Marimba player and Shona traditional dancer, Makurumbandi's professional career started with a grassroots theatre company called Savanna Arts in Mbare; he has toured extensively in France and performed and held workshops on Zimbabwean traditional dance and music throughout Europe.

Director Donald Byrd offers intensive workshops at Spectrum's studio from July 21-Aug 1 for advanced and intermediate dancers. A characteristic of Byrd's choreography is its speed and abundance of movement information. The repertory session is structured to allow the dancer, by learning existing works or through compositional process, to gain skills and experience managing these demanding elements. Contact 325-4161 or [marketing@spectrumdance.org](mailto:marketing@spectrumdance.org) for more information on this and other summer classes/workshops.

This summer Spectrum Dance Theater also will offer *Summer-Stage* performances in New York's Central Park, followed by *Love in the Park* performances in Seattle on Sept. 19th.

### Easier Than Ever to Give!

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# Madrona Farmers Market Partners with Health Department

By Judy Kirkhuff

The Madrona Farmers Market opened on May 16 and is now open from 3:00-7:00 each Friday (until the dark days of September) at its traditional site in Madrona's Grocery Outlet parking. In addition to featuring three new farms and several more new processed food vendors this year, the market has established an active partnership with the Public Health Nutritional Education Program. Further, market cooking presentations will focus on sharing tips for making good eating food choices that will involve kids, seniors, and many other community groups in the area. The Farmers Market is proud to be able to offer the Fresh Bucks Matching Program this year, starting on Opening Day.

Public Health of Seattle and King County's Seattle Nutrition Action Consortium (SNAC) is now offering information sessions on using EBT at Madrona farmers market and about the Fresh Bucks Matching Program. SNAC is also scheduling farmers market tours at Madrona Farmers Market for SNAP recipients. Any agency or community group serving limited income individuals that would like to schedule information sessions at their site or organize farmers market tours for their clients can contact Nancy Tudorof at [nancy.tudorof@kingcounty.gov](mailto:nancy.tudorof@kingcounty.gov) or call her at 263-8400.

# Play Mayfair Madrona Mutt Matchup

People were not the only ones enjoying Mayfair, but all the pups were well controlled, and many went home early to enjoy a morning snooze. Match the people to their dogs. The answers are on page 13.



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## Neighborhood School News & Activities

### Madrona K-8

Madrona K-8 wants your book donations for their D.E.A.R. (Drop Everything and Read) event on June 5 and 6. D.E.A.R. provides “new” books to our students before they leave for summer break so they can enjoy a summer filled with reading. Our goal is to gather enough books so our students can receive five books each (that’s almost 1,500 books!) through generous donations from our families and neighbors.

On Friday June 6, Madrona K-8 will have its D.E.A.R. day. Students will carry their favorite new book with them all day. At any given time, the bell will ring and students must Drop Everything And Read for 10 minutes. They won’t know when the bell might ring and an unexpected reading opportunity can happen at any time throughout the day.

Check your bookshelf for gently used books - maybe your children are older and you still have early reader books in the home. Or, maybe you’ve just finished *Hunger Games* and would like to pass it along. Madrona K-8 can accept any books appropriate for kindergarten through 8th grade readers. Drop offs can be made at the school entrance on 33rd Ave. from 9:00am-4:00pm beginning May 27 through June 3. Help us achieve our DEAR goal!

### Green Plate Special offers garden-to-table summer camp for middle school youth

A Green Plate Special summer camp is scheduled for Aug. 18-22 from 10:00am-5:00-pm, including five days of hands-on cooking and food growing in Green Plate Special’s garden and outdoor kitchen. Youth entering grade six through eight will learn to grow food from seed to harvest, then cook in the outdoor kitchen and eat lunch together each day; snacks will be provided in the garden. There is a charge, but there is a sliding scale to make the camp available to all families. Learn more at [greenplatespecial.org](http://greenplatespecial.org); the garden is at 2115 25th S.

### MLK FAME Community Center

- CAYA Summer Camp June 23-July 31  
Contact: [joe@caya-seattle.org](mailto:joe@caya-seattle.org)
- Dance Lessons (DASSdance) July 28 – August 15  
Contact: [daniel@DASSdance.org](mailto:daniel@DASSdance.org)
- MLK Performing Arts July 7-11; July 14-18  
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- Goddard College August 1 – August 9  
Contact: [sharon.cronin@goddard.edu](mailto:sharon.cronin@goddard.edu)

## Madrona Market Snapshot

By Mary Petrie, 38th Ave

Good news: the Madrona real estate market is alive and thriving. Currently, the Madrona neighborhood has only 1.22 months of inventory; whereas six months of inventory is considered to be a balanced market. Thus, low inventory illustrates the story of the day when it comes to the Madrona housing market: demand is high.

Mortgage Interest rates hovering under five percent continue to bring more buyers to the market where they find little inventory to choose from. Buyers have been offering more on home prices and multiple offers on the same house have become a common phenomenon. Conditions continue to broadly favor sellers.

The low inventory is reflected in the number of sales for 2014 year-to-date compared to almost twice the number of sales for the same period last year.

The chart below is a comparison of single-family homes sold in 2013 versus 2014 year-to-date.

Madrona Home Sales	2013	2014	
Sales	23	12	▼
List/Sales Price Ratio	101.22	100.39	▼
Days on Market	42.35	42.75	►
Median Sales Price	738,291	721,246	▼

(Year to date (YTD) statistics provided through (NWMLS) Northwest Multiple Listing Service); \*4 homes sold in 2013 YTD over one million dollars; one home sold in 2014 YTD for over 1 million dollars.

Nationwide, among the 20 metropolitan areas tracked by the Case-Shiller Home Index, the three with the strongest monthly gains in February were San Diego, Portland, and Seattle. Closer to home, Zillow estimates homebuyers can break even in two years on a home purchase in King County based on first-quarter data. That is, they’ll pay more as renters than homeowners if they plan to live in the home for longer than two years. In Seattle, it’s 2.5 years. This suggests that homeownership still represents a good bargain for those that can afford it and can find a suitable home. Please feel free to contact me with any questions you may have. I am a Managing Broker for Coldwell Bank Bain Realtors—Lake Union.



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## Neighborhood News and Notes

Business Owners of Madrona (BOOM) met on April 30th to trade ideas, and hear more about the proposed Madrona Parklet, Madrona Blossoms, New Kids on the Block, Madrona Art Walks, and much more.

Peaceable Garden reminder: owner Randy Apsel welcomes you to meander through the garden at the corner of 38th Ave and E. Columbia at your leisure; the Gargoyle fountain runs mostly in the evenings and during the day on weekends; Randy's only requests are to limit cell phone use to maintain overall solitude, not bring your pets, stay on the pathways, and not throw anything into the fountain. The Peace Pole monument is more appropriate than ever with one of the languages being in Russian given the unrest in Ukraine.

Seattle Carry5 Walk for Water raised over \$100,000 on May 5 when 700 walkers of all ages carried water for five kilometers in solidarity with the one billion people around the world who still carry water every day. Money raised will help Water1st provide communities in Ethiopia, Bangladesh, and Honduras with clean water at the turn of a tap, ending long walk for water for another 1,400 people.

This June issue of the newsletter is our last until Sept., providing a welcome break for the many volunteers who bring the newsletter to you for 10 months of the year. Design thanks go to InDesign guru Susan Steele and Judith Starbuck who has crafted special pages and ads this publishing year. Advertising thanks go to MCC Treasurer Casey Losh, and to the many businesses whose advertising dollars provide support. Thanks to Julie Hanson and more recently Tom Niccoli for delivering newsletters to offices and businesses. Special thanks go to regular contributors Andrea Matus-Magee for Mutt Match Up, Malcolm Harker for curmudgeonly interest, Audrey Seale for updates on the Madrona Dining & Sipping Society, Bill Mahoney for organizing the monthly calendar, and and to sponsor Madrona Community Council. Many thanks also to those who send in articles throughout the year. Please be in touch at [madronanews@gmail.com](mailto:madronanews@gmail.com) with your insights or to join our team in future months.

Conscious Body Pilates is remodeling in June. Plans are to

install a dividing wall which will allow half the space to be used for group fitness classes. The studio will remain open during this time and construction will be scheduled around normal business hours.

Seattle libraries are hosting Lego Mania sessions at various locations throughout the summer. Visit the Library's site at [www.spl.org](http://www.spl.org) to track down specifics or follow this link: <http://www.spl.org/calendar-of-events?trumbaEmbed=calendar%26search%3Dlego%20mania>

Wilridge Winery is celebrating its 25th anniversary in 2014. What began small with a first harvest in 1988 has grown and grown to include many wines each year, an organic-biodynamic vineyard in Naches Heights, and tasting rooms both in Seattle and in Yakima, marking twenty five years of history making great Washington wines.

Neighbors are reminded that the annual National Night Out to fight crime is scheduled for the first Tuesday in August which falls on the 5th this year. Organize your neighbors to enjoy a get together of any type better to develop and promote Seattle crime prevention programs. For more information, see [natw.org](http://natw.org). This event is traditionally sponsored by the Seattle Police Dept. whose website at [seattle.gov/police](http://seattle.gov/police) will offer registration and event ideas later in the summer.

### Mayfair Mutt Match-up Answers:

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## Madrona Dining & Sipping Society

By Audrey Seale, 36th Ave.



Madrona diners and sippers had two events to attend this spring. In March a largish group took over Turkuaz Bistro for the evening, enjoying excellent food, camaraderie, belly dancing, and even belly dancing lessons for some. See the accompanying picture of belly dancing students.

In April Chef Ethan Stowell and the staff at Red Cow, Madrona's newest restaurant, created a unique multi-night, multi-course dinner experience for the Madrona Dining & Sipping Society. Realizing that one night never works for everyone, they suggested a special prix fixe menu on three consecutive nights. It was a brilliant concept and a delicious meal that included platters of pates, and choices among soups, salads, hanger steaks, scallops, roasted chicken, vegetables, profiteroles, sorbets, and more. All 36 places available on the three evenings filled immediately and some spirited seat trading ensued.

If you wish you had known how to join us, here's what to do: contact me at [audreyseale@comcast.net](mailto:audreyseale@comcast.net) and I'll add you to the list for future events. Among summer possibilities are a picnic, a Mexican buffet at the Hi Spot, a flash moment at Chuck's Hop Shop, and we must do the patio at Von Trapps. Summer 2014 will be great fun in the Madrona neighborhood; join us.

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- MONDAYS** **Tom Bennett and the Rolling Blackouts**—Playing every Monday evening at St. Clouds. [www.tombennettmusic.com](http://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](http://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](mailto: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](mailto:NookPilates@gmail.com) or 557-8881  
6:00pm – 9:00pm **Parent Effectiveness Training (P.E.T.)**—A skills course for parents. 818 33rd Ave. Contact [Jen Kovarovic, jen\\_kovarovic@yahoo.com](mailto:Jen Kovarovic, jen_kovarovic@yahoo.com)  
6:30pm – 7:45pm **Rachel x Two**—Fun/social track workouts for all levels of runners. Garfield High School Track, group runs. [RachelD@RachexTwo.com](mailto:RachelD@RachexTwo.com)
- WED & FRI** 8:30am – 9:00am **Meditation**—Guided silent meditation led by Pieter Drummond. Epiphany Chapel, [pieter@stonegroundmeditation.com](mailto:pieter@stonegroundmeditation.com)
- THURSDAYS** 10:00am – 12:00pm **All Threads Together**—Conversation, knitting, crocheting, needlepoint. Epiphany Library, Trish Stone, [twallistone@yahoo.com](mailto:twallistone@yahoo.com)  
11:00am **Family Story Time**—Bring your preschoolers and toddlers to enjoy stories, rhymes, songs. Madrona Library, 684-4705  
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](mailto:kbarker715@comcast.net)  
3:00pm – 7:00pm **Madrona Farmers Market**—Grocery Outlet parking lot
- SATURDAYS** 2:00pm – 4:00pm **Free Wine Tasting at Madrona Wine Merchants**—1127 34th Avenue. For more information consult [www.MadronaWineMerchants.com](http://www.MadronaWineMerchants.com)
- WEEKENDS** 9:00am – 5:00pm **Donate Used Goods**—Northwest Center Big Blue Truck. Grocery Outlet parking lot. [www.bigbluetruck.org](http://www.bigbluetruck.org)

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- June 2 9:30am–10:15am **First Mondays with Mary**—Join Madrona K-9 principal Mary McDaniel for an informal conversation regarding the school. <http://madronak8.seattleschools.org>
- June 3 7:15pm **Madrona Community Council Meeting**—Everyone welcome! Madrona Playfield Shelterhouse. Holly Smith, [ho2lye@yahoo.com](mailto:ho2lye@yahoo.com)
- June 4 7:00pm **Leschi Community Council Meeting**—Central Area Senior Center, 500 30th Ave. S. Diane Snell for more information [Jdsnell1@comcast.net](mailto:Jdsnell1@comcast.net)
- June 7 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
- June 14 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](mailto:madronabusineses@gmail.com)
- June 16 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](mailto:cheeda11@gmail.com)
- June 18 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](mailto:john@stclouds.com)
- June 28 10:00am–1:00pm **Friends of Madrona Woods work party**—Meet at 38th and Marion, or contact Peter Mason [peterma5@msn.com](mailto:peterma5@msn.com)



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