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Ethiopia & Madrona: Bonds of Friends, Family, & Compassion

By Jon Hughes, 34th Avenue

If you've been a part of Madrona for any time at all, it may not be much of surprise to learn that there is special connection between the country of Ethiopia and the Madrona neighborhood. We are blessed to have many restaurants and businesses run by our Ethiopian neighbors and friends. Some are recent immigrants, others left their native

country many years ago. But all are very aware of the many water-related issues in their homeland. Ethiopia, like many other countries, has an epidemic problem with insufficient safe drinking water and sanitary latrines. This lack of access to water has an especially devastating impact on women and girls, who spend several hours a day fetching (unclean) water for their families.

Seattle being Seattle, a local group called Water1st has sprung up to help people in countries like Ethiopia fulfill the most basic need of water. Madrona residents Jennifer Norling, Kirk Anderson, and Ann Hollar work for this wonderful non-profit organization and in January, Kirk, Ann and Madrona neighbor

"We envision a world free of extreme poverty. Providing people with safe water is the first step to ending the cycle of poverty, illness, and death."

Water 1st International

Brooke Williamson and I spent a week in the village of Ilamu Muja, Bishikiltu, and the capitol city of Addis Ababa.

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Madrona Community Council Minutes

By Cynthia Stross, MCC Secretary, 35th Avenue

At the March 4, 2008 meeting, the minutes of the February 5 meeting were read and accepted into the record.

Neighborhood Appreciation Day. Jon Hughes brought the nominations for Neighborhood Appreciation Day and the community discussed and voted on the award recipients. We have some wonderful people who contribute to making Madrona a unique and welcoming neighborhood.

Summer Barbeque Festival. We are still looking for someone to take the lead in bringing the barbeque festival back to Madrona this summer!

Land Use Updates: Anyone interested in following development news should be aware of the new website

www.centradistrictnews.com. The site

contains news about development and other issues of interest to the Central District.

The Facts property redevelopment (DPD Project 3008255): Cheryll McCain reported that she attended the initial design review for the development planned at the southeast corner of Martin Luther King and East Cherry. The architects presented three plans which at this initial stage lacked structural detail and focused on the three alternative footprints for the new building. It will be a three-level residential over commercial development with outdoor parking for the residential units. Residents will access the parking lot via 28th Avenue. No parking will be provided for the commercial

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Madrona French Girl Knits

Fantine, Daphne, Violette, Desiree...no, they're not the names of someone's great aunts. They are the titles of some of the most popular knitting and

crochet designs created by Madrona's Kristeen Griffin-Grimes. Her knitting design company is called French Girl, and you've probably seen her designs, such as "Cosette" a cozy wool cap,

"Fifi" an always-in-demand knit sweater, or "Daphne", a sexy shawl with a rustic touch, brought to life by local knitters and worn with pride throughout Seattle.



Raised in a family of Seattle jazz musicians, and encouraged to develop her own creative style, Kristeen learned one

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Water... (cont'd from page 1)

We arrived in Ethiopia on flights booked with the World Travel Center on 34th Avenue by Madrona K-8 parent and native Ethiopian, Nuria Agraw. One of the reasons for this Water1st trip was to celebrate the completion of a well system that placed 10 different water points throughout the Ilamu Muja village. We were fortunate to be part of the celebration, which the people in this village marked with speeches, dance and song. Before this water system was installed, the 3,500 residents had to walk miles to fetch (unclean) water. Thanks to Water1st, now everyone in the village has clean, assessable water.

We also got to travel to Bishikiltu to make a special announcement. A year ago, the folks of this community were told that there was not enough funding available to pay for their much needed water project. We got to report to the joyous residents that construction on their project would begin in February! The level of excitement is impossible to describe. Over 4,200 residents will benefit from this Water1st funded project, which will take approximately 18 months to complete.

A trip like this is a life changing experience. It turns out that ours was not the only Madrona contingent in Ethiopia in January. By coincidence, Kevin Alexander was there to bring home 12-year old Fasil, the newest member of the ever-growing Munjo/Alexander family. Madrona K-8 parent Abebech Yulew and her son Jamal were in northern Ethiopia visiting friends and family, as was Selam Mengistu from the Madrona Deli.

For more information about the water epidemic in our world and what you can do to make a difference, visit www.water1st.org. To get involved with Water1st right away, you can join many Madrona residents at the Water1st—Beer 2nd Annual event on April 18. See the web page or contact me at 349-1441 for more information. Amesgenalo.

MCC Minutes... (cont'd from page 1)

tenants or their patrons. Many of the comments focused on the neighbors' desires to see a quality development at the site, making use of quality materials. The City is accepting written comments and at least one more design review meeting will be scheduled.

Rezone at 33rd & Union (DPD Project 3008274): Diane Flood announced that the City extended the comment period for the proposed rezone of 33rd Avenue for two additional weeks.

Neighborhood Planning Forum: Cheryll McCain reported that the Planning Forum took place in early March at the University of Washington. The City of Seattle and citizens engaged in a dialogue about how citizens can contribute and collaborate with the City in the neighborhood planning. City planners will divide Seattle into six sectors and over the course of six years, the City will develop a neighborhood plans within each sector. The timing and sequence of sector planning remains undetermined.

Next Meeting: The next MCC meeting will be (no kidding) April 1—the first Tuesday—at 7:15 in the Madrona Playfield shelterhouse. Everyone is welcome.

Knits... (cont'd from page 1)

very important word early on: improvisation. After coming of age in the 1970's, graduating with a degree in psychology from the University of Washington, and teaching in Mexico, Kristeen fell in love with fellow musician Phil, whom she met hitch-hiking in Santa Barbara. After they were married, she and Phil spent the next twenty years crisscrossing the country at a dizzying pace, all the while raising two children, Rain and Deva, who are now pursuing their own artistic careers in photography and audio recording. Kristeen and Phil returned to Seattle in 1993 and bought a small bungalow on 30th Avenue that they have been remodeling ever since.

It was her return to Washington and subsequent retracing of ancestral roots in France that inspired Kristeen to begin French Girl in 2005. An expert knitter herself, Kristeen now markets her knit and crochet patterns, known for their innovative construction techniques, unique details and feminine styling, to yarn shops throughout the world. In 2006, enthralled by the beauty of France, Kristeen and Phil founded Chez French Girl Tours to take small groups on excursions in France's southern Languedoc region each spring and fall. In a place where the everyday is elevated to art, groups of 8 to 10 spend a week in a beautifully restored "chambre d'hotels" (bed and breakfast), taking knitting, cooking and photography classes each morning. Afternoons are spent visiting charming hilltop villages, bustling local markets, and wineries. A highlight is Montpellier, Languedoc's "Paris of the South," a lively student city laced with narrow, cobble-stoned streets that is a shopper's paradise.

To see Kristeen's knitting patterns and learn more about knitting trips to la belle France, visit www.frenchgirlknits.com. As we await spring in Seattle, just imagine yourself sitting at a sunny sidewalk café in the south of France, sipping a cappuccino, with a soft lavender "Daphne" over your shoulders.

Debra Thompson Harvey
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Vida Verde
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**Letter to the Editor:
Keep Madrona Pesticide Free**

By Concerned Neighbor on 35th Avenue

Since moving into the Madrona neighborhood two years ago, we have witnessed our neighbor's tree maintenance company spraying their shrubs and trees with a variety of different chemicals. Often, these neighbors are out of town during the sprayings, leaving the rest of us to deal with the results of the chemicals.

We have witnessed our neighbor's tree maintenance company regularly overspray and deliberately spray shrubs and trees on our property. This is especially bothersome because we don't know what products they are using or what mix of chemicals they contain. Suffice it to say, whatever it is, we did not ask for it to be sprayed on our yard.

We have a young child and are expecting our second later this spring. We also have an organic garden and like to spend time outside enjoying our yard. It is disturbing to have this occur on our property and we feel it's an intrusion on our personal rights, as well as the rights of other neighbors. It is also a violation of Washington State Law to allow pesticide "drift" and to spray someone else's property.

I know we are not the only neighbors on the block who have young children, practice organic yard maintenance, and have general concerns for environmental and personal health. It is awful to watch this company spray, with one neighbor's consent, and then see children playing outside just moments later. The practice of one neighbor spraying affects every nearby home and I imagine that the pesticide residue winds up in Lake Washington where there are swimming beaches and salmon that many people actively protect.

My family would like to see pesticide, herbicide, and insecticide use phased out within Madrona, and eventually within all of Seattle. We were appalled to read signs posted in Seward Park stating that poison oak and blackberries—located directly above a salmon restoration project and eaten by some people—had been sprayed. I would love to have all parks in Madrona designated "Pesticide-Free Zones" and see like-minded neighbors go pesticide-free as an example to the rest of the city. At the very least, I would like my neighbors to discontinue their spraying.

The Seattle Public Utilities website www.seattle.gov provides a lot of information about Integrated Pest Management. The Washington Toxics Coalition site at www.watoxics.org/ also posts research about pesticide-use and offers free "Pesticide Free Zone" yard signs.

Editor's Note: The author of this letter prefers to remain anonymous for the sake of neighborhood harmony. However, if you would like to contact him/her, email me at kdh5027@aol.com and I can put you in touch.

Madrona Garage Sale Date Set

By Kim Herber, 35th Avenue

Soon it will be my favorite season—garage sale season. To kick things off, the Madrona Community Council (MCC) is again hosting the annual Madrona Community Garage Sale. It will be May 3 in the Madrona K-8 gym, just off 32nd and Union.

As always, the sale will accept reusable donations to be sold to benefit the MCC. If you have goodies to get rid of, bring them to the school after 5:00pm on May 2, the day before the sale. We take just about anything—household items, books, toys, and whatnot—and funds go back into the neighborhood through MCC-sponsored events like Neighborhood Appreciation Day and the monthly *Madrona News*. If you would rather sell your own items and keep the cash, you can do that too by renting a space for \$15 or a space with a table for \$20. At the end of the day, the Northwest Center brings a truck and hauls all the leftovers way.

So clear out those toy boxes and basements and come on down! To make a reservation, contact me at kdh5027@aol.com or 325-9923. And if you have some time to donate to the sale, I need helpers on Friday night to organize and price donations, and all day Saturday to sell them—that means you, Frank! Lots of people from the neighborhood come by during the sale so it's a great chance to reconnect with friends and maybe find a treasure or two to take home. You never know!

Madrona Real Estate Recent Home Sales

ADDRESS	BD	BA	SQ. FT.	PRICE \$
2516 E. Marion	2	1	810	300,000
2812 E. Spring	3	2.25	1504	400,000
1832 24th E. B	3	2.25	1570	419,000
131-A 25th E.	3	2.5	1410	425,000
820 31st Ave.	2	1	2380	435,000
1139 26th Ave.	3	3.5	1770	464,000
204 31st S.	3	2.5	2090	555,000
818 30th Ave.	3	2.5	1575	556,000
3616 E. Cherry	3	1.5	2050	765,000
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Madrona Shopping Update

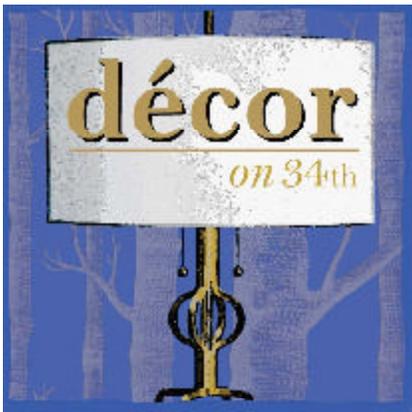
By Your Madrona Retailers: Amy, Artranetta, Casey & Erica, Lisa, Mona, Monica, Suzanne & Teresa

In light of the demand for great gifts right here in Madrona, Mona of **Two Owls** and Amy of **JayWalk** took the same flight en route to the International Gift Show in NYC in early February. While they were away, Two Owls was remodeled and the new space is super! A week later, Lisa of **Juniper** also hopped a flight for NYC's Fashion Week. Also, Monica of **Precocious Toys** has just returned from the West Coast Toy Fair in Pomona, California. We are all pleased to say that we found lots of fun and interesting new products for our stores to complement the lines we already carry.

Spring merchandise has arrived in many of our shops, including at **décor on 34th** and **hitchcock**. **Artradina's Thriftique** is Madrona's newest boutique, with owner Artranetta welcoming neighbors to bring treasures to place on consignment. Some of us still have items from last year on sale to make room for what's coming so just ask!

The personalized service that you receive in Madrona's retail shops is made possible in large part because the shop owners are the very people who greet and assist you. Imagine a cashier at the mall asking after your family members by name! Likewise, your patronage of our retail community makes it possible for us to have our shops and be successful here. Thank you for all of your continued business and support.

For a more complete listing of the businesses located in Madrona and/or owned by Madrona residents, visit the Business Directory of the Madrona community website at www.madrona.us.



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Protecting Historic Sites Workshop

Madrona is lucky to have so many beautiful and interesting old homes. A few are even designated landmarks. If you've always wondered what it takes to get a building declared a landmark, you may be interested in an upcoming workshop offered by Historic Seattle.

During this full-day workshop featuring presentations by local historic preservation experts you will learn how to understand Seattle's historic preservation ordinance, get ideas about how to cope with insensitive new construction in your neighborhood, hear about the procedures for dealing with local historic properties, and find out who is on the landmarks board. Workshop participants will enjoy a delivered lunch and receive an extensive packet of useful information about local, state, and national preservation issues and opportunities.

The workshop will be held on April 26 from 9:00am to 4:00pm at the Good Shepherd Center in Wallingford. The agenda will cover:

What are Historic Properties? Presenters will provide an overview of Seattle's diverse and unique historic resources including the distinctions between "eligible" and "designated" sites.

Neighborhood Support and Opposition. Want to know more about rallying local residents for preservation issues? What should you do if the owner opposes the landmark designation? What are the alternatives to designated historic buildings and neighborhoods? Would a conservation district provide enough protection?

County, National, and State Preservation Programs. Seattle and King County preservation legislation is different, but how? What are the advantages of listing on the Washington Heritage Register or the National Register of Historic Places?

Financial Incentives. Help is out there, but you need to find out if your historic building qualifies.

It Can Be Done! Success stories from neighbors who landmarked properties in South Park, Fremont, and Capitol Hill.

Presenters will include:

- Staff for the Seattle Landmarks Preservation Board in the Seattle Department of Neighborhoods
- Local Consulting Historians and Architects
- Former members of the City Landmarks Preservation Board
- Staff from the Washington Trust for Historic Preservation
- Staff for the King County Landmarks Commission
- Staff from 4Culture

This workshop is geared for community residents to become their own neighborhood preservation experts. Workshop fees are \$25 for Historic Seattle members, \$30 for the general public, and **advance reservations are required!** Registration deadline is April 23, at 5:00pm. For more info or to register, call 622-6952 or register online at www.historicseattle.org.

Current Madrona Seattle Landmarks

Raymond/Ogden Residence (1912)

702 35th Avenue

Joseph S. Coté (b. 1874) designed a Georgia mansion for Seattle surgeon Dr. Alfred Raymond (1860-1919). Coté was described as an archaeological architect who meticulously followed earlier styles. Most homes built for Seattle's wealthy during this period took an eclectic approach and chose from a variety of motifs.



Brehm Brothers Houses (1909)

219 & 221 36th Avenue E

William R. Brehm and George O. Brehm operated produce and grocery businesses in Pike Place Market. Ellsworth Storey (1879-1960) built two adjacent homes for them. The design of paired structures seems to follow a pattern from his own home built beside his parents' house nearby in Denny-Blaine. The Brehm houses share a common entry walk on a modest-sized lot.

Charles R. Bussell Residence (1892)

1630 36th Avenue

Real Estate developer George S. List built a 13-room Victorian residence, with a view of Lake Washington and the Cascades. The main entrance was constructed to face the lake, away from the street. Visitors walked through a wrought-iron gate around to the front of the house. The design was by Thomas G. Bird. When it was built, 36th Avenue was called Lincoln Avenue and later Aldine Street.



Ellsworth Storey Houses (1902)

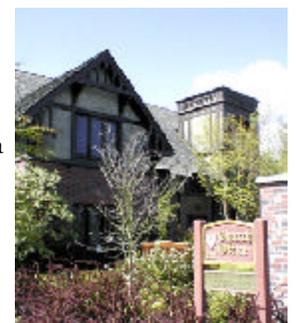
260 and 270 Dorffel Drive E

Seattle architect Ellsworth Storey (1879-1960) built one of these homes for himself and a smaller one for his parents, in the Denny-Blaine neighborhood. They were arranged corner-to-corner; a roof garden connected the two. Storey was heavily influenced by Frank Lloyd Wright's Prairie school and he utilized Northwest materials such as cedar shingles and beach rock.

Epiphany Chapel (1911)

3719 E Denny Way

Ellsworth Storey (1879-1960) designed this chapel for the Epiphany Episcopal Parish. He used brick and wood and diamond-shaped windows that follow the styles of several of his residences in the area. Although the building derives from an English Gothic-style, it lacks the ornamentation of traditional structures. Storey himself was a member of this parish.



Excerpted from *HistoryLink.org Online Encyclopedia of Washington State History*. For more details about these historic sites, visit www.historylink.org/.

Pilates Studio Opens at 34th and Union

By Tom and Heather Scarce

Greetings Madrona Neighbors! We are the proud owners of the Conscious Body Pilates studio that just opened in downtown Madrona. We also manage a studio on E. Madison Street between City Peoples and Café Flora. We live in Madison Valley with our 3-year old daughter Eva Louise and are delighted to be joining the Madrona community.

What is Pilates? The Pilates method of exercise was invented by Joseph H. Pilates, a German immigrant who brought his method to the United States in the 1920s. While Pilates has become increasingly popular in the past 10-15 years, it has been around for over 80 years. It is a gentle and mindful form of exercise, appropriate for anyone at any age, and is meant to help people function better in their daily lives. Pilates offers something for everyone and more and more people—from stay-at-home moms to elite athletes, mild back pain sufferers to those recovering from severe injuries—are discovering the benefits. Our first exposure to Pilates came in 1998 when Heather discovered it while recovering from a car accident. In 2004, she left her career in corporate training to pursue a STOTT® certification in Pilates instruction.

Random Biographical Fact: Heather and Tom met through an online dating site in 2002. They soon discovered through a comparison of UW undergraduate transcripts that they took the same Anthropology course in Winter Quarter 1991. Those 11 “lost years” are Tom’s eternal penalty for sitting in the back of class.

Conscious Body Pilates offers private, duet, and group lessons on specialized Pilates apparatus as well as group mat classes in Pilates and Yoga. Our mission is to provide the highest quality instruction to people of all needs and abilities in a safe, supportive, and fun environment. Our clients include pre-natal and postpartum moms, athletes in training, busy executives, active “empty nesters,” and workout partners and groups.

Heather manages the day-to-day customer experience and supports our team of talented and experienced instructors. When not doing his “day job” at Speakeasy, Tom provides marketing, computing, and logistical support. Tom is a past president of the Greater Madison Valley Community Council (GMVCC) and Heather currently serves as GMVCC co-secretary. We look forward to serving our neighbors at Conscious Body Pilates for years to come. For more information on our class schedules, visit www.709-CORE.com or call 709-CORE (2673).

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Play Madrona Mutt Match-up

By Helen Payton, 34th Avenue

Sometimes it seems like everyone in Madrona has a dog. All of these dogs live in our neighborhood. To play Mutt Match-up, pick which dog lives with which owner by drawing a leash to connect them. The answers are on page 12.



Lola

Age: 5 years

Pedigree: Mini-Pincher



Hunter

Lived in Madrona: 5 years



Simon

Age: 5 years

Pedigree: Visla



Robert

Lived in Madrona: 4 years



Zander

Age: 3.5 years

Pedigree: Shepherd/Border Collie



Bob

Lived in Madrona: 4 years

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One Step at a Time

By Judith Starbuck, Grand Avenue

You fact checkers out there will notice that in last month's article we said the construction fence around the new Madrona Park natural area would come down March 5...and it's still there. We decided to keep it at least another month to allow time for completion of the railing along the trail and to protect our seedlings a little longer.

We are very eager to at least get the footers poured for the bridge at the Spring Street trail entrance, so we can fill the holes, get rid of the piles of dirt, and find a temporary way to re-open the trail. If anyone wants to give money to pay for this work or knows of a contractor we might approach to do it, contact Mary Casey at 328-5508 or marycasey@bomaworks.com.

February and March work parties resulted in gravel on part of the new trail and quite a bit of planting in the lower ravine. The Cascade Land Conservancy's Washington Conservation Corps brought young people from AmeriCorps for several days to help us in support of The Green Seattle Partnership. We're grateful for all their help. We also want to thank Blackstock Lumber for contributing the lumber and millwork for the railing tops along the trail in the natural area. And special thanks to our own John Darrah, Bill Scott and Collin Darrah for spending many hours in rain and shine to install those railing tops.

Our April 5 work party has been cancelled, but there will be plenty of work for all comers on April 19 from 9:00 to 1:00. Meet at the Spring Street kiosk. If you'd like to join in at any time, check the kiosks, the lakefront sign or www.madronawoods.org for work party dates and times, or contact Deirdre McCrary at deirdre_jaymccrary@msn.com to be notified by email. If you're not up to physical labor, maybe you'd like to help with lunches for work parties, large and small?

Fund-raising is in high gear. We need to raise about \$200,000 to finish the upper part of the daylighting, which will more than double the current flow. Several grant proposals are in process as you read this, one to the Department of Neighborhoods for \$100,000. It will require a 25% match in volunteer hours at \$15/hour, or close to 1700 hours. We need to submit pledged matching hours with names and addresses of pledgers with our final grant application, due April 14. If you are willing to pledge hours, contact Deirdre McCrary at 325-9035 or deirdre_jaymccrary@msn.com.

Community donations of labor, in-kind services and money are essential to show neighborhood support to those giving us matching grants. Send your check to Joan Scott, 3700 East Marion St., 98122, or pick up an envelope from the sign at the construction site. Earmark the check for Madrona Woods Daylighting. For more information about activities in the Woods and Park and how you can get involved, contact me at 322-2640 or judithstarbuck@msn.com or visit www.madronawoods.org.

***New Kids on the Block!**
Mama Goat Brownie with
day-old kids, Fluffy and
Phyllis, named by owner
Jennie Grant to honor the
assistant from Richard
Conlin's office who helped
get the bill making mini-
goats legal in Seattle
through the City Council*



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Central Area Neighborhood Plan Stewardship Where do you Live? The Central Area?

By Adrienne W. Bailey

Where do you live? When you are asked this question, what do you say? What comes to mind first for you, your individual neighborhood or the greater community? The Central Area is a community of many separate neighborhoods, Madison Valley, Madrona, Leschi, Squire Park, Judkins, just to name a few. These and other neighborhoods are what make the Central Area such a unique community. I am not saying, don't take pride in your neighborhood, I just ask you to simply have greater pride and concern for our Community of neighborhoods.

In the past when we were asked where we live, we would say—with pride—the Central Area or the CD! That pride in living in the Central Area went beyond residing in a particular neighborhood. Our life experiences, our every-day existence, our world was the whole Central Area Community and the neighborhood we resided in was secondary. Today when people are asked this same question, they name their neighborhood. Quite often the only time the Central Area is mentioned is when people are pressed to say which part of in Seattle their neighborhood is in. This trend of distancing ones self from the Central Area Community for the sake of a single neighborhood only weakens our Community and our ability to work together for all of our greater good.

Which brings me once again to the Central Area Neighborhood Plan (CANP) and the importance of Community. We cannot afford this myopic thinking and behavior of “my neighborhood” first, foremost and only. With all the activity surrounding Neighborhood Planning it is imperative that ALL people of ALL the neighborhoods of the Central Area get involved with the CANP Stewardship.

Everyone needs to understand that decisions involving land use codes, construction, developments and housing made in one part of the Central Area will impact other neighborhoods (see Land-Use, Open Space and Housing Committee update). These changes affect traffic, parking, safety, overall quality of life and the character of all our neighborhoods.

The CANP Stewardship meets the first Thursday of the month at 6:00pm at the Garfield Community Center. For further information, contact me at kismit_2000@yahoo.com.

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Land-Use, Open Space & Housing Committee

The CANP Land-Use, Open Space and Housing Committee concerns itself with properly representing the goals and aspirations of the Central Area community by updating the sections of the Neighborhood Plan that deal with comprehensive planning, land use and zoning codes, sustainability, and design guideline overlays for the different neighborhoods of the Central Area Community. This committee is attempting to have as broad a participation of neighborhood views in our discussions as possible so that the committee's work is transparent, open, and inclusive. Items on the draft 2008 Action Agenda include:

- Response and outreach to citizens regarding the Multi-Family land use code update proposal now under review by the City.
- Review the 2008 Comprehensive Plan amendments, one of which is titled “Affordable Housing Strategies”.
- Develop Central Area 2009 Comp Plan Amendments.
- Update and take steps to enact Central Area Design Review policies, and include a Central Area Overlay District in the Seattle Land Use Code.

Neighborhood Plan Update Preparation Activities Include:

- Understand 2008 zoning and land use realities, and identify gaps within the CANP.
- Collaborate with the CANP Economic Development, and Transportation and Arterial committees.
- Determine CANP updates that are required immediately that may be handled as separate City Council actions.
- Determine the agenda for the Land Use, Open Space, and Housing updates that will be made within the framework of the CANP update process.

This committee welcomes more participation from members of all parts of the Central Area community. Contact Kathryn Keller at ktkeller@earthlink.net or Marty Liebowitz at marty@madronacompany.com for meeting dates and times..

Prestige Custom Builder
paste up

Pat De Caro Featured in Greenwood Gallery

Beginning April 4, works on paper by Madrona resident Pat De Caro will be featured in the upstairs space at Francine Seders Gallery, 6701 Greenwood Avenue North. There will be a reception for the artist on April 6 from 2:00 to 4:00pm, and the show continues through May 11.

The current show brings together paintings and drawings from two very different bodies of work — one quite poignant in nature and the other distinctly tongue-in-cheek. For the past several years De Caro's work has focused on the intensity of childhood experience and how that translates into the memories that shape adult identity. In a series of oil on glassine paintings begun in 2003, she depicts children engaged in play or small domestic routines. In each, De Caro spreads the images over several layered sheets of glassine, revealing and concealing various parts of the whole to fragment the narrative and emphasize its ephemeral quality. Two of her more recent paintings from this series will be featured in the show.

De Caro's last solo show at the Seders gallery was in 2004. Since that time she has had one-person exhibitions in Milan, Italy and Dusseldorf, Germany. She moved to Madrona in 2006 after

more than a year of house hunting throughout Seattle. "The view down the hill from 32nd Avenue made me feel like I was in Liguria, Italy!" she says, describing her discovery of Madrona. "I can't express clearly enough the visual pleasure I have walking around the area. I also can get to my Capitol Hill studio by foot in 25 minutes. I have great neighbors!! They instantly welcomed me to the neighborhood and are very friendly. We share similar values, such as having respect for people, and love art and music, eating, trips to Europe, and having dogs. There are also a lot of artists living in the general vicinity. I really love living here."



In this upcoming show, De Caro offers some darkly humorous relief in a series of ink drawings poking fun at the place of television in modern life. In these small silhouettes, figures merge with television sets in surprising and unsettling ways: in one drawing a man holding his head in his hands has a television chained to his leg; in another, a woman with the head of a rabbit stands with another woman wearing a rabbit-ear antenna on her head; and in a third, a woman strains to carry both her child and the family television on her back. For more information or gallery hours, call 782-0355 or visit www.sedersgallery.com.

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Jan Ecumenical Martin Luther King Celebration—*Jan 20*
Mount Baker Presbyterian

Feb/ Neighbor Appreciation Day—March 8
Mar Jon Hughes

May Community Garage Sale—May 3
Kim Herber 325-9923, kdh5027@aol.com

Mayfair Parade & Carnival—May 17
Paige Smith 329-3368

Madrona Blossoms Flower Baskets
Marie Doyle 323-6128

July/ Madrona BBQ Festival ***Seeking Coordinator***
Aug

Sept Neighborhood Cleanup ***Seeking Coordinator***

Oct Kids' Halloween Party ***Seeking Coordinator***

Nov Madrona Community Council Officer Election
MCC Officers

Winter Greens & Holiday Lights
Marie Doyle 323-6128

Dec Christmas Ships at Madrona **Seeking Coordinator*

To get involved, contact these event coordinators or Madrona Community Council VP of Events Paige Smith at 329-3368 or paiginmadrona@hotmail.com



Spring Egg Hunts at Garfield Community Center

As sure as green shoots are appearing and trees are budding, it's time for spring egg hunts and other spring celebrations at our community centers! Seattle Parks and Recreation invites all Seattle children to hop on down and take part in a community egg hunt. Whether your child is a funny little bunny or a teen with a wild hare, grab your basket and head to the Garfield Community Center (GCC) at 2323 E Cherry!

For Teens Only! The GCC will hold a Teen Flashlight Egg Hunt at 6:30pm on March 21. Please BYOF (bring your own flashlight), dress for the weather, and bring something to hold your goodies.

For Toddlers to Tweens. The GCC invites you its Spring Egg Hunt at 10:00am March 22. Please come early to find your age group. Ages: 12 and younger.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Weekly Recurring Events:

- WEDNESDAYS** 10:30-11:00am **Preschool Story Times**—Presented by Seattle Public Library at Amara Parenting & Adoption Services, 3300 E. Union.
- WEDNESDAYS** 8:00pm **Adult Pick-up Basketball**—\$3 donation supports Madrona M-9 PTSA, Madrona K-8 gym, Allen Cheadle.
- WEDNESDAYS** 5:45pm **Weight Watchers Meeting**—Central Area Senior Center in Leschi, 500 30th Ave S. Scott Linford 726 49263.
- THURSDAYS** 7:30pm **AA/ALANON Meeting**—Epiphany Great Hall.
- THURSDAYS** 6:30-7:30pm **Singing in the Rain Family Choir**—Epiphany Great Hall, Sari Breznau 262-9712.
- FRIDAYS** 7:30am **Madrona/Leschi Citizens Again the War**—Quiet demonstration, 23rd & Union, Kathy Baker kbarker715@comcast.net.

- Mar 19** 9:00am-1:00pm **Homeless Cooking**—Bring a cutting board and fresh ingredients. St. Clouds Restaurant, Darren Pritt darren@neighborhoodcooking.org.
- Mar 21** 6:30pm **Teen Flashlight Egg Hunt**— For teens only! BYOF (bring your own flashlight), dress for the weather, and bring something to hold your goodies. Garfield Community Center 2323 E Cherry, 684-4788.
- Mar 22** 10:00am **Toddlers to ‘Tweens Egg Hunt**— For kids 12 and younger. Come early to find your age group and bring something to hold your goodies. Garfield Community Center 2323 E Cherry, 684-4788.
- Mar 28** 6:00-9:00pm **School Board Community Meeting**—Discussion with School Board Director Mary Bass. Childcare provided. Garfield Community Center (23rd & Cherry) mary.bass@seattleschools.org.
- Mar 31** **Closing: New Oil Paintings Show by Susan Roberts**—Café Verite, 34th & Marion, Susan Roberts susanrobertsart@gmail.com.
- Apr 1** 7:15pm **Madrona Community Council Meeting**—Madrona Playfield shelterhouse, Rick Kolpa 949-5681 or RickK@rjhbco.com
- Apr 3** 7:00pm **Family Game Night**—Bring the whole family for games, snacks, prizes, and fun. Precocious Toys, 34th & Union, 322-9396.
- Apr 3** 6:00pm **Central Area Neighborhood Plan Stewardship**—Be part of the process to review and update the Central Area Plan, which includes Madrona. Garfield Community Center, 23rd & Cherry. Adrienne Bailey kismit_2000@yahoo.com.
- Apr 5** 1:00-5:00pm **Homeless Cooking**—Bring a cutting board and fresh ingredients. Madrona Presbyterian Church, Darren Pritt darren@neighborhoodcooking.org.
- Apr 4** **Opening: Works on Paper by Pat De Caro**—Featured in the upstairs space at Francine Seders Gallery, 6701 Greenwood Avenue North. The show runs through May 11. www.sedersgallery.com.
- Apr 6** 2:00-4:00pm **Artist’s Reception for Pat De Caro**—For a show of Works on Paper at the Francine Seders Gallery, 6701 Greenwood Avenue North. The show runs through May 11. www.sedersgallery.com.
- Apr 10** 6:30pm **Madrona Dining & Sipping Society**—Location TBD. Contact Audrey Seale, audreyseale@qwest.net or 329-8775 for details and reservations.
- Apr 10** 6:00pm **Central Area Neighborhood District Council**—Help provide leadership and coordination of community communications, activities and projects to promote the well being of every neighborhood in the Central Area. Garfield Community Center, 23rd & Cherry. Adrienne Bailey kismit_2000@yahoo.com.
- Apr 12** 10:00am-2:00pm **Homeless Cooking**—Bring a cutting board and fresh ingredients. Madrona Presbyterian Church, Darren Pritt darren@neighborhoodcooking.org.
- Apr 16** 9:00am-1:00pm **Homeless Cooking**—Bring a cutting board and fresh ingredients. St. Clouds Restaurant, Darren Pritt darren@neighborhoodcooking.org.
- Apr 18** **Water1st—Beer 2nd Annual** —Join several Madrona neighbors in supporting this great cause. Jon Hughes 349-1441 or www.water1st.org.
- Apr 19** 9:00am-1:00pm **Madrona Woods Work Party**— Meet at the Spring Street kiosk. Deirdre McCrary deirdre_jaymccrary@msn.com or www.madronawoods.org.
- Apr 26** 9:00am-4:00pm **Protecting Historic Sites Workshop**—Presented by Historic Seattle; reservations required. Good Shepherd Center, Wallingford. Tickets and info at 622-6952 or www.historicseattle.org.
- Apr 26** 5:00pm-10:00pm **The Big Event: St. Therese Auction**—An event so big it’s been 80 years in the making. www.stthereseatl.org.
- May 2** 5:00-10:00pm **Madrona Community Garage Sale Set Up**—Bring donations to the Madrona K-8 gym, Kim Herber 325-9923 or kdh5027@aol.com.
- May 3** 8:00am-4:00pm **Madrona Community Garage Sale**—A fundraiser for the Madrona Community Council. Madrona K-8 gym, Kim Herber 325-9923 or kdh5027@aol.com.

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