

Harrison Denny Community Council NEWSLETTER

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Member, Seattle Community Council Federation

Spaghetti Dinner Thank You's

by Pearl Castle

Yes, yes, it has been two whole months since our wildly successful spaghetti dinner. But with no newsletter and the holidays in between, we have been woefully behind in our Thank You's!

First, to all of you who came and maintained a cheerful attitude through thick and thin, thank you! We cleared \$987.00!

Thanks also go to: Bush School, our wonderfully true neighbor, for the use of their great facilities; Ms Euhania Hairston, new principal of Martin Luther King School; Ms Marjorie Josaphat, organizer of our Madison Valley Family Programs; Dr. Darralyn Smith from M. L. King, choreographer of "Anchors Aweigh" and the M. L. King pupils who brightened up the program with colorful costumes and energetic tap-dancing!

To all the other wonderful folks on the program: Carrie Givens, who made us laugh; Ernie Hatfield who played that wonderful bluesy jazz piano; Neil Runstein who joined with his bluesy guitar. Thank you one and all!

Special thanks also to **Leschi Food Mart**, 103 Lakeside Avenue, who for five years have given us much of the ground beef we use in our very special sauce! And thanks to the **Central Co-op**, 1835 - 12th Avenue, who donated \$50 worth of food and beverages to our endeavors.

The great thing about our spaghetti dinners is how everyone pitches in. It really is a neighborhood event! To all of you who helped, kudos! Special

thanks to Marilyn Henry, who cooked up the delicious vegetarian sauce; Polly Peterson, Winnie Coleman, Liz Henderson and Shirley Skeith, who tossed a fantastic salad; Eli Stahlhut and Allison Young, who organized the scrumptious desserts; Delores Alexander, who got the garlic bread together with a bit of help from other committee members; Suzanne Wilson, who crafted those wonderful banners; Susan O'Malley who tracked all the tickets; Charles McDade, who stirred up all the ground meat and kept the sauce from burning and who also sold many, many tickets; Jerry and Peggy Sussman, who did everything from cooking up a lot of spaghetti, making garlic bread, shopping, etc.; Jo Marie Cunningham, who coordinated everyone during the dinner; David Foecke for the sound system and dish washing; Pat Close and Zé daLuz for being on the door; Cathy Nunneley and her daughters Miranda and Claire for keeping our thirsts quenched.

Special thanks to Ms Coralyn D. Mills, also honored in the program, for her work with Harrison/Denny youth. She and they helped to decorate with handmade bouquets for the tables; and they sold \$102 worth of tickets!

(Editor's Note: We all thank Pearl Castle, who did everything from coordinating the planning to cooking the spaghetti sauce. And we thank Del Castle who assisted everywhere, especially washing dishes so the people who waited an hour could eat on clean plates.)

Harrison-Denny Community Council Annual Planning Retreat

Saturday, January 22 -- 9am to 4pm

at the portable, King schoolgrounds, 3201 E. Republican

Potluck Lunch -- Everyone Welcome!

(NOTE: There will be no general meeting until February)

Viretta, a City Park

by Jerry Sussman

Viretta is a small public space between 39th Avenue East and Lake Washington Boulevard, where John Street comes to its eastern end. It is partly wooded, partly sloping lawn. A short path from 39th and a stairway connect its upper and lower levels.

Controversy roils about the park because the property immediately south, owned by Howard Schultz of the Starbucks Company, has a driveway, rock wall and landscaping that cross the park site to reach 39th Avenue. Charges of private agreement between Mr. Schultz and the Parks Department, a kind of sweetheart arrangement without public knowledge or the normal permit process, have angered the neighbors. Holly Miller of the Parks Department promises public disclosure. We hope the matter can be settled amicably without sacrificing the principle of preserving public land for public use.

Come Help Plan 1994

by David Foecke

Your input is needed to help the Harrison-Denny Community Council plan its 1994 activities. A day-long planning retreat will be held on Jan 22 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Martin Luther King School, in the portable classrooms on the playground.

This will be the second year that volunteers from the community council will take a day to work together to look ahead to the coming year and to set priorities and goals for the year. Last year's retreat was fun, and a big success. We hope that you will be interested in helping to contribute your ideas by coming this year.

We will be having a potluck lunch, so please bring a dish with you in the morning. And bring your good ideas and energy! We hope to see you there.

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MADISON VALLEY FAMILY PROGRAMS

at Martin Luther King Jr. School

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Harrison Greenbelt Reforestation Project Begins

by Jerry Sussman

Harrison-Denny will receive about \$12,000 for work in 1994 to map and plan the greenbelt project, to employ a landscape designer and other technical people, to clear out ivy and broken trees, and to re-plant the hillside above 32nd Avenue East with cedars, firs, salal bushes and other true native plants.

Mayor Norm Rice gave us public congratulations in November, along with other successful applicants. Many neighbors and friends have pledged hundreds of hours of volunteer work to match the grant from the Department of Neighborhoods.

We expect to employ five to ten neighborhood young people at \$7 an hour to help with the clearing and planting, to begin in the spring. A greenbelt restoration committee will join in the work, as well as providing instruction, safety measures, and the loan of tools.

If you would like to be a part of this exciting community renewal project, if you have skills, ideas or implements we could use, please call Jerry Sussman at 325-6308.

Coming in March...

2nd Annual Harrison-Denny Progressive Dinner

at Madison Valley Restaurants

including Rovers, Café Flora, Five Loaves, and more!

Watch for your invitation in the mail.



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**THE NEW MARTIN LUTHER KING
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Meet Euhania Hairston, our new principal, in a relaxed and intimate setting at a housemeeting:

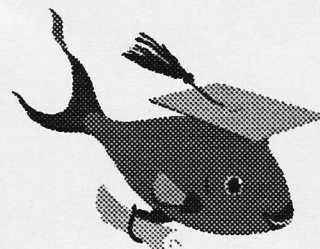
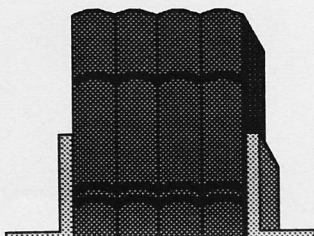
1. Housemeeting in the Harrison-Denny neighborhood, at the home of:
Libby Sinclair and Bob Crittendon
Monday, January 24, 7:00 PM
3438 E. Florence Court (off of corner of 34th Ave. E. and E. Denny Way)
for info or to RSVP, please call: Peggy Sussman (325-6308), or
David Foecke (322-3626)
2. Housemeeting in the North Capitol Hill neighborhood, at the home of:
Merri and Art Huffine
Wednesday, January 26, 7:00 PM
1934 14th Ave. E.
for info or to RSVP, please call: Merri Huffine (329-5436)

OR, Meet staff members, the principal, and MLK parents, at:

Martin Luther King Magnet Elementary School
*****OPEN HOUSE*****
February 3, 1994, 7:00-8:30 PM
3201 E. Republican, for info call: 281-6510

OR, Drop-In, meet the principal, and get a tour of the building:

any schoolday between 9:30 AM and 3:00 PM at
Martin Luther King School; 3201 E. Republican St.



Bush School Evening Program Offers Something for Everyone

by Leanne S. Hofford

The winter session of the Bush School Evening Course Program is about to begin! Over 55 unique and affordable courses are being offered during a six-week period from February 23 to March 31. As with last fall's course series, most classes will be located on the Bush campus. Here's a preview of some of the fantastic classes scheduled for 1994:

☑ On February 24, Seattle Symphony's acclaimed conductor and Bush parent Gerard Schwarz will teach ***Music Appreciation 101***.

☑ On March 17, *Seattle Post-Intelligencer* art critic Regina Hackett will come to Bush for an evening to share her insider's perspective on the city's art scene.

☑ Back by popular demand, country western dance aficionado Kit Richardson will kick up her heels in a six-session series, ***The Tush Push and Beyond***.

Whether you are interested in business, gardening, computers, health and fitness, travel, auto mechanics, interior decorating or foreign languages, there is a course for you. Call Evening Course Program coordinator Katesy Townsend at 326-7776 or stop by the Bush School at 405 - 36th Avenue East to receive an evening course catalog. First come, first served; so send in your course registration form as soon as you make a decision about which class is of interest to you!

Net proceeds from the evening courses go toward the Bush School Scholarship Fund.



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First Annual Roving Holiday Party

by Pat Breen

On Sunday, December 19, a group of neighbors joined together for the "First Annual Roving Holiday Party." This was a progressive potluck dinner for the purpose of celebrating the holiday season with old and new neighbors.

The trek began with appetizers and smoked salmon at the home of Sarah, Kim and Amy in the 300 block of 31st Avenue East. Later, the group moved to the home of Pat and Leslie at 114 - 31st Avenue East for savory main courses. Finally, for hefty sumptuous desserts, steaming cider and coffee, we went to the home of Gary and Karen on 32nd Avenue East.

We missed those who could not make it and hope that we will see you next year at the "Second Annual" and at other Harrison-Denny neighborhood events throughout 1994. Happy New Year!

I pledge to support the Harrison-Denny Community Council and its programs by:

Making a contribution of \$ _____

Volunteering for: _____

I am most interested in: _____

My skills are: _____

Name _____

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Please tear out completed form and send to HDCC, c/o M.L. King Jr. School, 3201 E. Republican St., Seattle 98112.