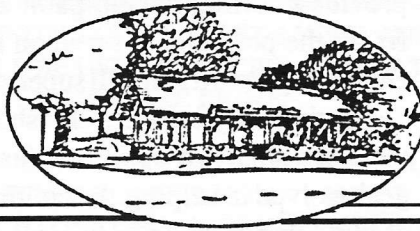


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HARRISON

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NEWSLETTER

HELP IMPROVE YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD

Hey everyone! This is it!! Your chance to shine! Now you can have your opinion count. You can influence what happens around here. As neighbors, we would all like to see some positive changes — and the process by which we can start to do that has arrived.

Inside this newsletter is the Harrison-Denny Needs Assessment Survey Form. When you fill it out and return it, your ideas, expertise, and knowledge about what is happening and what should be happening in the neighborhood will help serve as a starting point for change. When we find out what the main problems are, we will hold community meetings to address them.

You can make a difference by filling out and sending in the enclosed Needs Assessment Survey Form.

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We Want Your Articles, Letters, Opinions....

Send contributions to: Harrison-Denny Newsletter, 128-33rd Ave. E. Seattle, 98112

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Next Community Council Meeting Times and New Location Reminder!

May 19st and June 16th are the dates for the next Harrison-Denny Community Council meetings. The time is 7:30pm, and the location is: **2915 East Madison, room 204**. All interested people are encouraged to attend.

WE WANT YOU!

We want your extra furniture, appliances, collectibles, jewelery, etc. We want your ideas! We want our Annual July Yard Sale to be one that people all over the town will look forward to!

We have a basement ready right now!

Will you help? Call Pearl 325-1546 or Peggy 325-6308.

City Council Supports Harrison Ridge Greenbelt

by J. Sussman

After weeks of study and argument, the City Council voted May 11 to condemn two privately owned lots that lie in the Harrison Ridge Greenbelt. The owners had rejected a series of offers from the Parks Department in the past three years, and made plans for building. A bulldozer opened a driveway at the foot of the slope on 32nd Ave. East near John St. and men began clearcutting the trees in December and January. Neighbors who are defenders of the greenbelt complained to city agencies about the depredation in the woods there. The tree cutting and application for a building permit presented an immediate threat to the city's and neighborhood's intent to secure all the land in the greenbelt.

Less than one-fourth of the land in the Harrison Ridge Greenbelt was privately owned in 1989 when the open space bond issue passed. Using those funds, the city negotiated successfully with most of the owners and the goal of securing the entire area was in sight. Our community council learned that the holdout owner of the lots in question had purchased them in 1978, one year after the city council had

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**COMMUNITY COUNCIL
APPLIES FOR GRANT TO
START BEFORE AND AFTER
SCHOOL PROGRAM.**

Your community council has been busy applying for another grant from the Seattle Department of Neighborhoods. Last year, we received the grant to hire our community organizer who is now assisting us in doing the Neighborhood Needs Assessment.

We have helped co-ordinate efforts to start a Before and After School program at Martin Luther King School. The planning group has included the Martin Luther King School staff and PTA, the Seattle Parks Department, representatives from Bush School, the Seattle Department of Housing and Human Services, Ewajo Dance Studio, and Harrison-Denny neighborhood residents.

The grant is requesting funding for a co-ordinator to help start the program in the first year, and for first year funding for financial assistance for children whose parents cannot afford the fees that will be charged on a sliding scale to participate in the program.

If funded, the program will be based out of the portable classroom at Martin Luther King School. Ewajo Dance Studio will sponsor dance and fitness classes in the gymnasium and lunchroom as part of the after school activities.

In addition, Bush School has pledged the use of some of their facilities, vans, and staff to support the program. Bush students will also provide some tutoring for children participating in the program.

When this program gets off the ground, we will be seeking neighborhood volunteers to assist

in supervising the children's activities before and after school, to provide tutoring, to help paint and fix up the portable, to serve on the Governing Board that will supervise the entire project, etc... In short, there are plenty of opportunities to get involved in helping the children of our neighborhood.

Special thanks to Betty Gray (MLK School principal), Jan Lind Sherman (teacher at MLK), Fred Dust (Bush School principal), Jackie Donovan (Bush After School program), Melba Mitchell (MLK PTA), Jo Marie Cunningham (MLK and Bush parent), Peggy and Jerry Sussman (Harrison-Denny Community Council), and Norm Houston and others at the Seattle Parks Department for their efforts in getting this grant proposal completed. If you would be interested in assisting in any capacity, please call David Foecke at 323-4709.

City Council Ruling

designated the land as greenbelt. Most local residents had assumed the city had purchased the land years ago. Today we know the original owner sold half of his property to another around 1989, this second owner applied for a building permit.

A judge in Superior Court will make a ruling on a price to be paid by the city for these last two lots in the greenbelt.

Needs Assessment Form

Just fold and staple or tape it so that the return address is showing, add a stamp, and put it in the mailbox. The next step will be to set some goals and objectives to work towards what we all see as the solutions.

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It is very important that you be involved. After you send in your survey form, the next important thing to do is to come to the Harrison-Denny Community Council meetings. You can also bring your survey to the meeting instead of mailing it in.

We'll be discussing neighborhood problems as you see them, how you can get involved, meet our new community organizer Pamela English, talk to other members of the community council and OH!....find out about how you can win a prize by getting the most of your neighbors to fill out and turn in the Survey Form.

The next few weeks will be quite exciting! The neighborhood is going to come together to make some positive changes! When the Needs Assessment team comes to your block, please share your ideas and opinions with them. We are all from the same community, and we all need a big response to this survey.

There will also be "Needs Assessment Parties" on some coming evenings and weekends. If you would like to host one on your block, if you would like to attend one, or if you just want more information about this process, call Pamela English (860-8039).

Many thanks to those of you who have already contributed time to help put together the Needs Assessment: Delores Alexander, Patrick and Doris Magnusohn, Karen Kress, Charles McDade, Mark McDermott, Pam Mondie, Kathi Titus, Pearl Castle, Denise Wingo, David Foecke. Once again, thank you for being involved at the early stages.

WE NEED ALL OF YOU AND ALL OF YOUR IDEAS! YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

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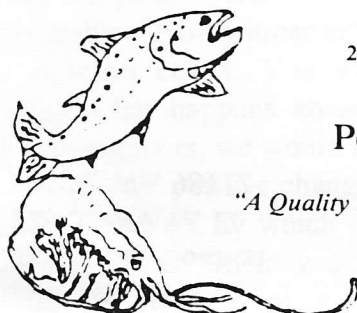
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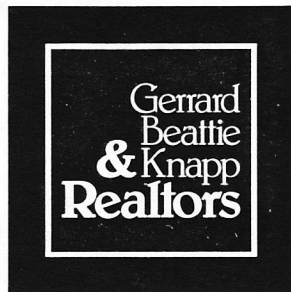
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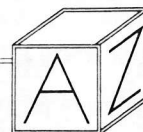
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HARRISON - DENNY NEEDS ASSESSMENT 1992

THE HARRISON - DENNY COMMUNITY COUNCIL NEEDS YOUR ANSWERS TO THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS. YOUR ANSWERS WILL BE USED TO DECIDE ON WHAT THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL NEEDS TO WORK.
PLEASE PRINT.

1. ARE YOU AWARE OF THE HARRISON - DENNY COMMUNITY COUNCIL ? YES NO
 - A. HAVE YOU GOTTEN OUR NEWSLETTER? YES NO
 - B. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN TO ONE OF OUR COMMUNITY FUNCTIONS?
IF YES, WAS IT: SPAGHETTI DINNER MEETINGS RUMMAGE SALE
OTHER
 - C. WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE INVOLVED IN/KNOW MORE ABOUT THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL?
YES NO
2. WOULD YOU BE ABLE TO ATTEND MEETINGS IF THEY WERE SCHEDULED: A. MORNINGS
EVENINGS AFTERNOONS B. WEEKENDS WEEKDAYS VARIES
3. DO YOU HAVE AN IDEA FOR A COMMUNITY MEETING TOPIC?
YES NO
 - A. WHAT IS YOUR IDEA? _____
4. DO YOU NEED A RIDE TO MEETINGS? YES NO
5. DO YOU NEED CHILD CARE TO ATTEND MEETINGS? YES NO
6. DO YOU DO ANY TYPE OF VOLUNTEER WORK? YES NO
 - A. IF YES, WHAT DO YOU DO? _____
7. ARE YOU REGISTERED TO VOTE? YES NO
8. WOULD YOU LIKE TO HAVE ANY OF THE FOLLOWING COMMUNITY BUILDING ACTIVITIES IN THIS COMMUNITY?
BABY SITTING COOPERATIVE FOOD COOPERATIVE TOOL EXCHANGE POTLUCK BLOCK
PARTY WORK BARTERING OTHER
 - A. NAME A PROGRAM YOU WOULD LIKE TO HAVE: _____
9. WOULD YOU SAY THAT YOU KNOW MOST OF THE PEOPLE LIVING ON YOUR BLOCK? YES NO
10. IS YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH NEIGHBORS AN INTERACTIVE ONE?
(check only one)
 - A. "HANG OUT" WITH THEM
 - B. OCCASIONAL VISIT
 - C. FRIENDLY CONVERSATION
 - D. RECOGNITION ONLY
 - E. DON'T KNOW MANY
11. HOW LONG HAVE YOU LIVED IN THIS NEIGHBORHOOD? YEARS _____
12. DO YOU THINK IT IS IMPORTANT TO KEEP THE MULTI-CULTURAL CHARACTER OF NEIGHBORHOOD YES NO

13. HERE ARE SOME EXAMPLES OF NEIGHBORHOOD PROBLEMS CHECK OFF THE IMPORTANT ONES AND TELL US WHERE THEY ARE.

CRIME :

WHERE?

- SELLING OR USING DRUGS _____
- BURGLARY _____
- VANDALISM AND GRAFFITI _____
- VIOLENT CRIME _____
- OTHER CRIME _____

TRAFFIC :

WHERE?

- SPEEDING _____
- NEED MORE LIGHTS OR SIGNS _____
- NEED CROSSWALKS _____
- NEED BETTER BUS SERVICE _____
- OTHER TRAFFIC PROBLEMS _____

STREETS :

WHERE?

- NEED FIXING _____
- NEED MORE STREET LIGHTS _____
- NEED FOR LANDSCAPING _____
- SEWER & DRAIN PROBLEMS _____
- PARKING PROBLEMS _____
- LITTER _____
- OTHER PROBLEMS RELATED TO STREETS _____

SIDEWALKS, BIKE PATHS :

WHERE?

- NEED MORE OF THEM _____
- NEED FIXING _____
- LITTER _____
- Other SIDEWALK & BIKE PATH PROBLEMS _____

HOUSING :

WHERE?

- COSTS TOO MUCH _____
- RUN DOWN HOMES _____
- VACANT HOUSES _____
- ZONING PROBLEMS _____
- OTHER HOUSING PROBLEMS _____

NEW BUILDING & HOUSES :

WHERE?

- TOO CLOSE TOGETHER _____
- TOO BIG & TACKY _____
- REFURBISH OLD HOUSES NOT BUILD NEW ONES _____
- OTHER BUILDING & HOUSING PROBLEMS _____
- PUSHING OUR TAXES WAY UP _____

BUSINESS DISTRICT :

WHERE?

- NEED FOR FIXING UP _____
- TOO MANY EMPTY BUSINESSES _____
- TOO HARD TO SUCCEED IN BUSINESS _____
- PARKING _____
- NEED MORE TYPES OF BUSINESSES _____
- OTHER PROBLEMS ABOUT BUSINESSES _____

PARKS, OPEN SPACE GREENBELT :

WHERE?

- NEED MORE _____
- NEED TO SAVE _____
- NEED TO MAINTAIN _____
- NEED TO IMPROVE _____
- OTHER OPEN SPACE PROBLEMS _____

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES :

WHERE?

- NEED FOR MORE _____
- TOO EXPENSIVE _____
- TOO FAR AWAY _____

WHICH ONES ARE TOO FAR AWAY?

- | | |
|---|---------------------------------------|
| HEALTHCARE <input type="checkbox"/> | DENTIST <input type="checkbox"/> |
| CHORE SERVICES <input type="checkbox"/> | DAYCARE <input type="checkbox"/> |
| DRUG TREATMENT <input type="checkbox"/> | JOB TRAINING <input type="checkbox"/> |
| ELDERCARE <input type="checkbox"/> | OTHER <input type="checkbox"/> |

NOISE

- AIRPLANE _____
- LOUD MUSIC _____
- OTHER NOISE _____

CHILDREN & YOUTH :

WHERE?

- NEED FOR BEFORE SCHOOL PROGRAMS _____
- NEED FOR AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS _____
- NEED FOR SUMMER ACTIVITIES _____
- NEED FOR "ADULT" ROLE MODELS _____
- NEED FOR "PEER" ROLE MODELS _____
- NEED FOR DRUG RESISTANCE SKILLS _____
- NEED FOR TUTORING _____
- OTHER YOUTH & CHILD RELATED NEEDS _____

SCHOOLS :

WHERE?

- NEED SMALLER CLASS SIZE _____
- NEED BETTER TEACHERS _____
- NEED BETTER OR DIFFERENT CURRICULUM _____
- NEED COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT IN SCHOOL _____
- NEED MORE PARENTS INVOLVED IN SCHOOL _____
- PRE SCHOOL PROBLEM, WHAT? _____
- MIDDLE SCHOOL PROBLEMS, WHAT? _____
- HIGH SCHOOL PROBLEMS, WHAT? _____
- OTHER SCHOOL RELATED PROBLEMS _____

14. PLEASE USE THIS PAGE TO WRITE DOWN THE "ONE" THING THAT CONCERNS YOU MOST ABOUT THE NEIGHBORHOOD AND WHAT YOU WOULD DO TO REMEDY IT.

THANK FOR FILLING OUT THIS SURVEY! THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS ARE OPTIONAL BUT WE HOPE THAT YOU WILL FILL THEM OUT. PLEASE BE SURE TO PRINT CLEARLY.

15. NAME _____ PHONE _____

16. ADDRESS _____

17. AGE _____

18. HOME OWNER

RENTER

19. SINGLE

MARRIED

DIVORCED

WIDOWED

CO-HABITATING SEPERATED

20. ARE YOU : AFRICAN

NATIVE AMERICAN LATINO

CAUCASIAN

ASIAN

OTHER _____

EXTRA TERRESTRIAL

21. OCCUPATION : _____

22. CHILDREN IN HOUSEHOLD: (circle the correct age)

A: NUMBER OF BOYS _____

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B: NUMBER OF GIRLS _____

AGES: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 or over _____

23. OTHER HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS? (please specify) _____

24. WHAT SCHOOL (S) DO YOUR CHILDREN ATTEND? IF YOUR CHILDREN DO NOT ATTEND, WHY?,

25. IF YOUR CHILDREN DO NOT GO TO NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOLS, PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY? _____

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