

HARRISON WEST NEWS

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Remember These Dates:
APRIL 23 is the next Harrison West meeting; this month on the 4th Wednesday

APRIL 26 IS THE ALLEY CLEANUP

MAY 13 AND 14 IS STREET SWEEPING IN HARRISON WEST



**TUESDAY, MAY 13;
 WEDNESDAY MAY 14**

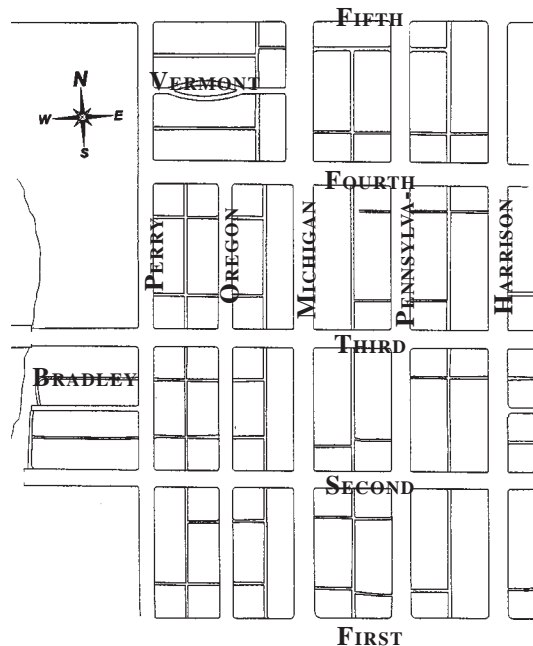
Should the Harrison West Boundaries Be Enlarged?

As everyone knows, new and exciting things are happening in Harrison West. The redevelopment of the AC Humko site surely will bring further redevelopment on the south end of Harrison West.

Accordingly, with an eye towards the future, the Planning and Development Committee will be presenting its proposal at the April Harrison West Society meeting on enlarging the boundaries of Harrison West. The proposal will include extending our southern boundary to I-670 and our western boundary to Olentangy Road and Gowdy Field.

By extending our boundaries, the Harrison West Society will ensure itself a "seat at the table" on any future development in these areas.

Extending our boundaries requires an amendment of our constitution and bylaws, so please come to the April meeting to discuss this important proposal that will shape, literally and figuratively, the future of Harrison West.



Harrison West boundaries today. How far west and south should the boundaries go?

Next Meeting: Wednesday, April 23

- Constitutional Amendment to extend Harrison West boundaries**
- Traffic Task Force Update**
- Humko Development Update**

The April 23 meeting will be a critical step in the further development of Harrison West. Please plan to be there.

NEXT MEETING

The Harrison West Society will meet
4th Wednesday, April 23
 at 7:30 PM
 First Brethren Church, corner of Oregon and Third

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HARRISON WEST SOCIETY MINUTES March 19, 2003

Submitted by Veda Gilp, Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM with a quorum of voting members present (28); President Dave Butler presiding.

City Development Department Boyce Safford and Gary Gugliani presented information about Ohio brownfield and greenfield funds.

Routine Business

Minutes Rick Kobe motioned to approve the minutes of the last meeting; passed.

Treasurer's Report Treasurer Tom Maxwell reported a balance of \$6,779.00, with current bills paid.

Old Business and Committee Reports:

AC Humco Sale Developer Mark Waggenbrenner and Architect Rob Harris presented the project and asked for a letter of support for brownfield funds. Pastor Richard Morris motioned to endorse the Waggenbrenner Plan and send the letter; Passed with 1 opposing. David Butler reiterated that the HWS will have another opportunity to provide input on the development during the zoning process and, should Brownfield money come through, the Society may be able to persuade the developer to make other changes to the plan.

Newsletter and Website Veda Gilp reported that the newsletter deadline is third Friday of each month. Chris Palmer reported that the Website is running smoothly and is updated weekly.

Crime Report Officer Steve Smith reported two burglaries, two car break-ins, one theft from building in February.

Membership Matt Tangeman reported.

Planning and Development The next P&D meeting will be April 7 at 7 PM at Cafe Corner.

New Business & Announcements:

Extend Harrison West Boundaries Dave Butler introduced the question changing boundaries of Harrison West to include the Humko site; motion tabled.

HWS Meeting Date The next regular meeting will be Wednesday, April 23, 2003.

Mary Funk announced that Outlands is selling to unknown parties who may be planning to build 40 condos in the space.

Bob Mangia was named Chair of the Nominating Committee.

Lauren Creighten motioned to adjourn at 9:00 PM; passed.

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Harrison West Society meets 3rd

Wednesday of each month, 7:30 PM.

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| | 10:20 Refreshment Gathering |
| | 10:40 Morning Worship |
| | 6:00 PM Evening Worship |
| Monday | 7:00 PM Bible Study |
| Tuesday | 6:30 PM Financial Skill Class |
| Wednesday | 6:30 PM Boys Brigade (7-18) |
| | 6:30 PM Gym (3rd. Wed.) |
| | 7:30 PM Harrison West Meeting |
| Thursday | 6:00 PM Little Women (5-18) |
| Friday | 7:00 PM Open Prayer |

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Society Election Reminder

The annual election of Harrison West Society officers will be held at the May 21 meeting. Please contact the Chair of the Nominating Committee, Bob Mangia, at 291-3727 if you are a Society member interested in serving or if you know of a Society member who may be willing to serve. Nominations may also be taken from the floor at the April and May meetings.



Harrison West Society Membership

Please complete this form and mail it, along with your appropriate contribution to **Harrison West Society, P.O. Box 163442, Columbus, OH 43216**. Membership dues are paid each calendar year.

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| 136 E. 3 rd Street | 2-3/2.5 | \$199,900-279,900 |

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Proposed Metro Park on Whittier Peninsula Proves Neighborhoods Working Together Carry Big Club

Recently the Columbus *Dispatch* splashed several big articles on the front page and in the Metro section about the proposed 80-acre Metro Park on the Whittier Peninsula along the Scioto River. The City is touting the new park as the flashpoint that could set off an explosion of positive changes for the peninsula and the surrounding area.

Why is the *Harrison West News* running an article about a downtown park so far from our neighborhood?

Because Harrison West helped get the Whittier Peninsula Park movement started.

Back in 1997 and 1998, the Urban Oasis Coalition, 18 community organizations committed to restoring the river corridor in the central city, urged that the peninsula be turned into a park. The Harrison West Society, represented by Keith Dimoff, Steve Tway, Veda Gilp, and Craig Copeland, was a major player in the movement. In fact, without the financial support of the Society and the enthusiasm of all its members, the Urban Oasis Coalition would not have been so effective.

The point is that grassroots organizations such as the Harrison West Society, when working together with other similar organi-

zations, actually can make a positive difference in the City.

The Riverfront Vision Plan, adopted by the City in 1998, also calls for a park on the Whittier Peninsula. The Urban Oasis Coalition pushed for the entire peninsula to be a natural park with nature center, multiuse trails, picnic areas and shelters.

Audubon Ohio also is involved in the Park agreement. This will be the first urban Audubon center in Ohio. Audubon members are excited about the park because the peninsula and river corridor is an important habitat area for local birds and a stopover for migrating birds. More than 250 bird species have been sighted at the peninsula, causing Audubon Ohio to designate the area as one of the most important bird-watching sites in the state.

The 80-acre park would share the peninsula with development, probably in the form of housing and restaurants.

Rick Tammer Wants You to Call CODE

Rick Tammer is the Code Inspector for Harrison West. He recently told the Harrison West News that since he cannot "cruise for code violators," Harrison Westers must call him with reports of violations. That's 645-6077.

There are good reasons to turn in Code Violators, including safety, the law, and the general amenities of living in a changing neighborhood such as Harrison West.

Rick suggested that a visit to www.cityofcolumbus.org would make interesting City Code reading. If you don't want to call Rick, you can email from the website.

Martha Walker Potluck and Plant Exchange April 27

If you're a gardener, this is the potluck for you. Like-minded gardeners get together at the Goodale Park Shelter House at 1 PM, bringing a potluck dish to share and a perennial plant to exchange. Perennials are exchanged 1 for 1, so if you bring 5 perennials, you go home with 5 new ones.

The event also is a great way to meet fellow neighborhood gardeners and get free advice from Martha Walker's professional and experienced amateur gardeners and landscapers.

The potluck also is the deadline for turning in annual flat order forms.

More info from Suzanne Escovitz 432-1126.



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Alley Cleanup April 26 10 – 11 :am

The Mayor is asking city employees to give one hour on Saturday, April 26, to help clean up neighborhoods. Harrison West is asking Harrison Westers to give the same hour to cleaning up Harrison West. So grab your rakes and shovels and get your neighbors out to spruce up our streets and alleys.

Trash bags and gloves will be available on a “while they last” basis from Veda Gilp, 299-6877, and that Saturday morning at her alley gate, 996 Pennsylvania between First and Second.

Near North Neighborhood News Public Info Meeting April 30

If you're interested in reading a neighborhood newspaper similar to *Suburban News*, there's a group that wants to make a newspaper for you.

Learn more about a community newspaper proposal for the near north neighborhoods (Goodale to Glen Echo Ravine, Conrail tracks to the River). Take your neighbors, your thoughts and ideas. The developers want to know what you want in your newspaper.

Wednesday, April 30 from 6:30 8 PM Northside Library 1423 N. High St. Questions? Call the University District Organization 294-5113.

Art and Music Festival May 3

The place to be at noon on May 3rd is the Third Annual Short North Neighborhood Foundation Art and Music Festival. That's when the music and the art start.

The Art Festival will host about 50 artists from Ohio and the Midwest. Their tents will be located at West Russell St. and curve around onto Park St. It's free (because they want you to buy lots) and runs from 12 noon to 10 PM.

The Music Festival will be at Fireproof Records Center parking lot at the corner of Second Ave. and High St. from noon to midnight. Admission is \$5. The music kicks off with acoustic, then ramps it up with rhythm and blues and rock and roll till midnight. The X-Rated Cowboys and Teeny Tucker & Driving Wheels will perform.

The event still needs volunteers. If you want a behind-the-scenes presence, call Gwynne Rukenbrod at 668-6555 or email grukenbrod@wideopenwest.com.

Studio 16 Showing Rob Colgan Photographs

Through April 29, Studio 16 is showcasing photography by Central Ohio artist Rob Colgan.

Studio 16, 431 W. Third, is an artists' cooperative run by Douglas Fordyce and David Jones.

Studio 16 Spring Class Schedule

All classes at Studio 16 run for 8 weeks and cost \$200. This does not include supplies, but the studio provides a discount at Utrecht Art Supply in the Short North. There is an additional charge of \$50 for the Figure Drawing class.

Call 614.297.5909 to register and for more info. Studio 16 is located at 431 W. Third Ave.

BEGINNING DRAWING

This class is good for the beginner or as a refresher class. Still-lives, portraiture, and figure drawing. Monday, May 5 6-8PM

BEGINNING OIL PAINTING

This class is for the beginner painter. Working with still-lives, the student will complete 2 paintings. Sunday, May 11 4:30-6:30PM.

INTERMEDIATE OIL PAINTING

This class is for the more practiced oil painter and will provide advanced instruction in color theory and mixing as well as study in technique and style. Sunday, June 8 2-4PM

BEGINNING WATERCOLOR

Instruction in basic watercolor techniques; meets in different outdoor locations around the city each week. Saturday, May 17 11AM-1PM

FIGURE DRAWING

Instruction in the human form. Students in this class may also attend Open Studio Figure Drawing for the duration of the class at no additional charge. Thursday, May 8 6-8PM.

BEGINNING SCULPTURE

For the beginning clay sculptor. Wednesday, May 7 6-8PM

DRAWING

A three hour session every Tuesday night from 7-10pm. There is no instruction. We provide some easels and a live model. You bring whatever materials you need to draw. Cost is \$12.00.

Saturday Workshop Series.....

JEWELRY MAKING with Precious Metal Clay. Saturday, May 10 10AM-3PM \$85.00 includes materials

FRESCO PAINTING The cost of this workshop is still to be determined.

Saturday, June 21 10 AM - 3 PM

Community Capital Development Corporation moves to Michigan Avenue

The area's largest SBA lender, Community Capital Development Corporation (CCDC) recently relocated its offices to 900 Michigan Avenue, the former American Cancer Society building.

CCDC offers a variety of loan programs for small business owners to help them as they are starting up, expanding, or buying a building.

In addition, CCDC offers classes to help business owners create their business plans. Classes are offered monthly and many are held at CCDC's new offices in Harrison West.

For more information on CCDC's small business loan programs, call them at 614-645-6171 or visit www.ccdcorp.org.

Green Thumb?

Join the Harrison West Garden Club and green up Harrison West. If your garden is nice, unusual, lovely, big, small, or you just want to show it off – sign up for the Garden Tour.

Michigan Market Soon to Open for Coffee and Wine

According to the crew working in the Michigan Market last week, sometime early this summer a coffee and wine shop will open in the space which has been under rehab for about five years. Michigan Market owners could not be reached for comment. Watch this space for updates.

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Eadie Gourmet Eats Out at Elevator

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The spinach salad proved once again how well good bleu cheese and sweet pear go together.

Tom ordered the corn chowder because someone had to. Poor man, it was so loaded with corn, potato, cheese, and flavor, he barely got a taste.

Dave ordered one of the evening specials – pan-seared escolar with angel hair pasta and wild mushrooms. The fish, similar to tilapia, was a big chunk cooked perfectly. The pasta was cooked perfectly. The sauce was very tasty with mushrooms, chives, and white wine. But somehow all this perfection was drowned in so much oil and butter that Dave had to drain every bite he took!

Mandy had the same problem with her penne with spicy Cajun cream sauce. The parts were excellent, but the oil pooled in the bottom of her pasta bowl.

However, we managed to eat it all!

Steve, who usually manages to order the best dish on the table, ordered the grilled sesame tuna steak with a warm Asian noodle salad. Everything was right with this dish, from the excellent fresh tuna to the crispy peanuts and hot peppers in the outstanding noodle salad. I could make a meal of that salad. This is a definite keeper.

Tom's pulled pork sandwich was a disaster. The pork was so salty as to be inedible. Had it been seasoned correctly, though, this would have been a good sandwich, because the pork itself was meaty with no fat or gristle.

For once, I ordered the absolute best entree: beef tournedos. This is medallions of beef tenderloin, pan-seared and served with garlic mashed potatoes, grilled asparagus, sauced with Doplebock demi-glaze, smoked bacon-red pepper relish and a marsala pan sauce. I was in heaven. One of these days, I'm going back to the Elevator so I can eat this dish with no interruptions. It was wonderful. Everything about

it was perfect from the fork-tender, perfectly aged beef to the still-crisp asparagus and the lumpy (rich with cream) mashed potatoes. If you like beef, order this. But keep everyone else away from your plate.

There's a more-than adequate wine menu, but the corkage is a bit high. In this place, order the beer. All the food is chosen and prepared to be enhanced by the beer, anyway. Tom found the perfect way to enjoy all the beer the Elevator offers. He ordered the \$1.75 Taster, which is three 4 ounce glasses of different beers. Not only were they all good, but our accommodating waitperson let him continue to order his favorites in the Taster.

One of the benefits of dining with Eadie Gourmet is that one MUST eat dessert! We did: Grand Marnier Crepes with fresh berries marinated in Grand Marnier topped with Johnson's vanilla ice cream and warm caramel sauce. We ate the crepes all the way down to the pattern on the plate.

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Eadie Gourmet Eats Out at Elevator Brewery & Draught Haus

by Veda Gilp

Several weeks ago when I decided it was time to review the Elevator at 161 North High Street, I thought I'd have trouble finding a dining companion. Was I lucky! Gourmands Tom Maxwell, Steve Schab, and Dave and Mandy Butler very kindly agreed to help me out.

I'll start with the best first: the Elevator takes reservations, serves excellent food properly prepared, makes very good beer, and provides free parking across the street after 7 PM.

The menu ranges from baked brie to crab-and shitake-stuffed salmon. It's all good, and most of it is an interesting elevation of the standards.

We began with semolina crusted calamari. Steve is picky about calamari, and he judged it very tender and tasty. So did I. It was served with a fresh cucumber salad, which tasted just like my grandmother's best bread and butter pickles.

Mandy is a vegetarian, so our next appetizer was the hummus and pita. Thank you, Mandy! We all raved about this sweet, creamy, spicy house-made hummus garnished with a swirl of hot chili oil. (Actually, I saw one of us dab up the last delicious bit with his fingertip.)

The Brewery House Salad – fresh, fresh greens mixed with bleu cheese and spiced walnuts and dressed with a maple-shallot vinaigrette – is very good.

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