

HARRISON WEST NEWS

September 2004 15/09

A Neighborhood on the National Register of Historic Places

Victorian Village Tour of Homes September 19

See 11 homes and one garden at the 30th Annual Victorian Village Tour of Homes this September 19. Tickets may be purchased for \$15 at various locations around town or on-line at www.victorianvillage.org.

Fred Rector's house at 993 Delaware Avenue in the Delaware Place development (Godman Guild property) will be on the tour.

If you've ever wanted a chance to check out the Peter Sells "Circus" House at 755 Dennison Avenue, now is your chance. The house will be open for the Tour Preview Party only (tickets \$100 per person), though. It won't be on the Tour. David and Erica Brownstein have been rehabbing the house for the past six years.

Battelle to Celebrate 75th Anniversary

Battelle, our neighbor, will be celebrating its 75th Anniversary in October.

The world renowned research and development organization opened in 1929 with 30 people at King Avenue. It was founded by Gordon Battelle, whose family were early leaders in the American steel industry. Today, Battelle, with the national laboratories that it manages or co-manages, oversees 16,000 staff members and conducts \$3 billion in annual research and development in more than 30 countries.

Battelle accomplishments include the development of the Xerox machine, pioneering work on optical digital recording technology that led to the compact disc, numerous medical advancements, fiber optics technology for telecommunications, cut-resistant golf balls, and the universal product code for checkout at super markets.

Battelle's work today focuses on health and life sciences, energy and environment, homeland defense, transportation and space, education, and community service.

The nonprofit organization gives 20 percent of its net income each year back to the communities it serves. It employs 2,500 people in Greater Columbus.

Happy 75th Anniversary Battelle!

Next Meeting: Wednesday, September 15

**Bond Ballot Issue
Humko/Harrison
Place Status
5th & Perry
Battelle
Greenspace
Update
Membership**

Next regularly scheduled meeting will be September 15 at the First Brethren Church. We'll be covering some exciting events for the neighborhood and lots more. See you there.

NEXT MEETING

**The Harrison West Society will meet
Wednesday,
September 15 at 7:30
PM**

First Brethren Church, corner of Oregon and Third

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HARRISON WEST SOCIETY MINUTES August 18, 2004

Submitted by Veda Gilp, Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM with a quorum of voting members present (25); President Dave Butler presiding.

Routine Business

Minutes Veda Gilp motioned to approve the minutes of the last meeting; Passed.

Treasurer's Report Treasurer Tom Maxwell reported a balance of \$5,855, with current bills paid.

Old Business and Committee Reports:

Humko/TIF Update Dave Butler reported on the progress of the negotiations with Victorian Village about the shared TIF. Rob Harris reported on the TIF document - a 50-50 split after money for Harrison Park is taken, resulting in \$2.8 million to the Park immediately with \$1.4 million going to Harrison West and Victorian Village. Jerry Colvin motioned to remove "horsetrading" and "budgeting" terminology from the TIF agreement; Passed. Rick Kobee motioned to approve the shared TIF agreement as amended; Passed. Harris reported that Outlands on Perry has been purchased and is scheduled for demolition after October 1.

Harris also reported that Columbus Traffic and Sanitation removed two alleys west of Perry Street in the Harrison Park development. Construction of the models should begin by October 1.

5th and Perry Battelle Park Craig Copeland reported on the park plans. Battelle is ready to begin planting in the Park and paving the bench circle.

Summer Party Wrap Up Dave Butler reported on the success of the Summer Party in the Park. General discussion, and a consensus that next year we would not need the Police on Horses or the clown, as there are too few children attending to warrant such expenses.

Crime Report Neighborhood Police Liaison Steve Smith reported that crime is about as usual - "not too bad."

2004 Yard Sale After general discussion, Debby Colvin moved that Harrison West move the yard sale to the same day as the Victorian Village Spring Yard Sale and not have a Harrison West Yard Sale this fall; Passed.

Planning and Development Date to be announced.

New Business & Announcements:

HWS Meeting Date The next meeting will be September 15, 7:30 PM at the First Brethren Church.

Announcements:

Tom Robinson announced that the Short North Neighborhood Foundation is applying for grant funds and needs a letter of support from Harrison West; Pastor Richard Morris motioned to send a letter of support; Passed.

Mary Funk appealed for a donation from Harrison West for the Sensenbrenner farewell party since Sensenbrenner has been such a good friend of Harrison West. Copeland motioned to spend up to \$200 for a contribution; Passed. Pastor Richard Morris motioned to adjourn; Passed. Adjourned at 9:10 PM.

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Harrison West Society meets 3rd

Wednesday of each month, 7:30 PM.

Reason #7 to join the Harrison West Society

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Studio 16 Cooking Up Art and Poetry

September is a busy month for Studio 16 as it hosts the ArtFair on Sunday, September 19th, and the Absolutely Absurd/Edible Art Party on Saturday, September 25th.

At the first annual Fall ArtFair, local and regional artists will converge for a one-day happening of art, music, poetry, dance, and theater.

On September 25 from 7 to 12 PM, Studio16 is pleased to present the Absolutely Absurd Anti-Costume Ball and Edible Art Exhibit. This event will feature an extraordinary exhibit of edible art and a cacophonous collection of clothing and absurd accessories for attendees to wear. Studio16 has managed to engage Stefòn and the universal spokeswomen for Mothra, the Princesses of Peace. Refreshments and absurd entertainment will be part of the evening. Admission is \$12 in advance and \$15 at the door.

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Harrison Park Plat Gets Nod from Council

The preliminary subdivision plat for Harrison Park (04630-00000-00019) was approved by the City of Columbus on August 20, and signed by Christopher Presutti, Chief Zoning Official. This means all of the new streets, alleys, extensions of West First Avenue, extension of Perry Street, modification of Perry for the traffic island, and the parkland dedication is officially transferred over to the City as public land.

The site has also been properly cleaned up in regards to vacating Percy Street and any alleys that were lost over the past 150 years. Permit submission will happen in the following week for the 10 new homes on the East side of Perry Street. Proposed ground breaking will be in October.



It's Time

Vote for Issues 4-11

The City of Columbus has placed eight capital improvement bond issues on the November 2, ballot (Issue 4-11).

Passage of the bond issues, which will drive more than \$600 million in new investment for neighborhood projects, **will not result in any new taxes.**

Mayor Michael Coleman, City Council President Matt Habash and City Auditor Hugh Dorrian are all partnering to ensure passage of these very important issues

Despite difficult economic times, Columbus remains the only large city in the United States that maintains a AAA bond rating

By placing the issues on the ballot, the City is asking for voter approval to issue bonds.

- This is done because the City receives a lower interest rate on the bonds with voter approval
- As a result, tax dollars are saved and a larger number of projects are financed
- The bonds are retired by income tax dollars and Utility revenues

If Issues 4-11 do not receive voter approval, the City will still issue the debt, resulting in fewer projects for neighborhoods because of an increased interest rate on the borrowed money

City leaders met with residents at a series of six public meetings to solicit input on how to spend our capital dollars

As a result, the Mayor and City Council created the bond package with the proposed projects for the next five years.

Issue 4—Safety and Health (\$40.7 million)

Issue 5—Refuse (\$21.1 million)

Issue 6—Electricity (\$12.2 million)

Issue 7—Streets and Highways (\$184.4 million)

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Affordable Housing Renovations Finally Scheduled

The schedule for the renovation to the affordable housing in Harrison West has been set. Renovations of the Fourth Avenue School building (1200 Michigan) have already begun and are scheduled to continue through October; we look forward to having our Seniors back after their yearlong relocation.

The units on 1170-1180, 1160-1166, 1146-1156 Michigan Avenue and 428-434 W. 3rd Avenue are scheduled to be renovated from October to December. The units on 449-459, 450-460, 433-439 Helen Court and 433-439 W. 4th Avenue are scheduled to be renovated from November to February. This schedule is subject to change.

Catch the Italian Festival September 24 - 26

Get your Italian out at the Italian Festival at the corner of North 4th and Lincoln Streets in Italian Village this September 24, 25, and 26.

There's a tribute to Frank Sinatra, Italian music and dancing, an American-Italian Idol Vocal competition, Bocce, and, of course, the Italian food and desserts. See you there.

Via Colori 2004 at Goodale Park

Chalk up your calendar for September 25 and 26 because the colorful Via Colori, an Italian street painting festival featuring over 200 artists, is returning to the Short North and Goodale Park.

Over 200 artists will be creating colorful chalk masterpieces on the city streets.

Enjoy live music and entertainment throughout the event.

Eat and drink really well from a variety of local restaurants including Buca di Beppo.

Experience the romantic luminaria on Saturday night.

Visit shortnorth.org or call 228-8050 for more information.

Don't Miss the Saturday Farmers Market at the North Market

If your tomatoes haven't ripened and the bugs got your beans and your lettuces just plain wilted, trek over to the North Market every Saturday morning for the Farmers Market.

There's a stand with heirloom tomatoes with exotic names like Green Zebra and Arkansas Traveler and taste right out of history.

Fall mums already are there, and they are field grown, meaning they're sturdy enough to come back year after year.

But the farmers won't be coming back for too many more Saturdays this year, so better get there soon.

Mary Jo Hudson to Fill Sensenbrenner Council Seat


Harrison West welcomes Mary Jo Hudson to City Council.

Hudson, a Columbus attorney, currently serves on the Columbus Civil Service Commission. Her resume includes volunteer stints with a number of area nonprofit organizations, including the United Way; the Center for New Directions; and the Women's Fund of Central Ohio, which provides grants that benefit Central Ohio women and girls; and the Human Rights Campaign and Human Rights Campaign Foundation.

Hudson cites as her top priority creating employment opportunities for Columbus residents.

Atta Boy for Butler

The editorial staff decided to mention that HWS President David Butler was tapped for one of Business First's Forty Under 40 awards this year. We have a rising mover and shaker in our midst, people.



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Eadie Gourmet Eats Out at Turkish Cuisine

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The stuffed grape leaves are very good, very tender, and touched with cinnamon.

In fact, everything is touched (or dusted or coated) with cinnamon. That's not necessarily a negative; just a fact.

From the appetizers we moved to the traditional Turkish dishes. I found the stuffed cabbage that Jean ordered at \$9.75(!) was the best thing on the table. Absolutely wonderful, and so many rolls that even though Jean gave me one, she

still had three to take home. They are served with a very savory tomato sauce and tart yogurt.

Deb had the stuffed eggplant with beef and spices, including cinnamon, and a different fresh tomato sauce. Oh, yum! Again, more than enough to fill up both you and a take-home box.

Kebobs are traditional, so that's what I ordered. All kebobs are halal meat, and are marinated, cooked on an open flame, and served with rice and grilled vegetables. I ordered the Adana Kebob, which is ground gyro meat mixed with red bell peppers and grilled on flat skewers. Very good – a sophisticated gyro.

Dessert, like everything else at Turkish Cuisine, is made on the spot by the owner-chef. The baklava was very tender with lots of honey and possibly was the best I ever had. The rice pudding is finished under a flame like creme brulee. It's delicious but very solid, not as sweet as expected, with a subtle cinnamon flavor. Next time I'm getting the milk custard wrapped in phyllo. It looked irresistible.

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Eadie Gourmet Eats Out at Turkish Cuisine

by Veda Gilp

Here's a new restaurant you should try. It's north of OSU at 2653 N. High Street in a shabby block of depressed-looking buildings. Go around back, however, and you discover that there's lots of free parking and everything's been spruced up to clean and inviting.

Friends Debra Stollenwerk, who is an Executive Editor at Pearson Education/Prentice Hall Publishing/Merrill Education and Dr. Jean Godby, who is something incredible estoeric and frighteningly technical at OCLC, found this place and insisted that Eadie Gourmet would like it. They were so right.

Begin with the bread. The Turkish answer to pita, it's a fat flat bread that's very yeasty and chewy. It's served with reall butter, but you can skip that in favor of scooping up an extra good humus and tabuli.

Because Eadie Gourmet needs to sample lots, we ordered the small appetiser plate, which consists of your choice of five cold appetisers. You can balance the subtle such as the spinache saute with the lebni with its truckload of garlic. The spinach was sauted with onions and herbs with a touch of red peppers which added sweetness. Hard to describe but very, very tasty. The lebni was wonderful – yogurt mixed with nuts and scallions and that truck of garlic.

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