

HARRISON WEST NEWS

October 2004 15/10

A Neighborhood on the National Register of Historic Places

Top 10 Reasons to Join the Harrison West Society:

- 10 A year of parties: Summer Party in the Park, October Marathon Party, and December Holiday Potluck
9. Neighborhood play space at the Harrison West Park
- 8 Redevelopment of the Michigan Market into Caffè` Apropos` (remember the Michigan Market?)
- 7 Side by Side public art at the Third Avenue Bridge Park
- 6 You get to vote on the Harrison West Neighborhood Commission
- 5 You get to serve on Harrison West Committees
- 4 More power with the City than you would have by yourself
- 3 Redevelopment of the Humko site into Harrison Park, which will elevate your property and resale values considerably
- 2 Neighborhood TIF worth millions
- 1 Participation in the most active and effective neighborhood organization in the City

Come to the Marathon Race Party October 17

Cheer on the racers, chow down, and have a good time with your neighbors at the 4th Annual Harrison West Marathon Race Party. Usual corner -- 5th and Neil. Bring your noisemakers; we'll have music. Our laudable goal is to make as much noise and have as good a time as possible.

The party gears up about 10 AM and winds down about 1 PM, so stop by to cheer and eat and drink. Lots of talking going on when we all aren't screaming our heads off cheering the runners.

Panera is supplying food again this year.



Next Meeting: October 20

**Affordable Housing Presentation
Humko Update
Marathon Party Wrap-Up
Membership Drive**

Next regularly scheduled meeting will be October 20 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,
October 20 at 7:30 PM
First Brethren Church, corner of Oregon and Third**

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HARRISON WEST SOCIETY MINUTES September 15, 2004

Submitted by Veda Gilp, Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 PM with a quorum of voting members present (21); President Dave Butler presiding.

Routine Business

Minutes Rick Kobe motioned to approve the minutes of the last meeting as amended by Debby Colvin; Passed. Colvin amended to say that the yard sale should be canceled for this year and tabled until next year. Passed.

Treasurer's Report Treasurer Tom Maxwell reported a balance of \$4,854, with current bills paid.

Guests

City Director of Development, Mark Barbash, was present to explain the upcoming Bond Ballot Issues 4-11. He stressed that passing the issues would result in NO NEW TAXES and asked for the support of everyone in the neighborhood. He included in his discussion the HW TIF and the Humko redevelopment and applauded the Wagenbrenner project.

Old Business and Committee Reports:

Gowdy Field Dave Butler led the discussion, citing Urban Growth as assisting the City in development projects such as this, and reported on the P&D meeting which explored the neighborhood's options for the fields next to the Police Heliport on Olentangy River Road. Craig Copeland displayed a 1950 aerial photo of the site. Rob Harris presented a plan for Gowdy Field recreation and office development. Affordable Housing Renovations Dave Butler reported that the

Michigan School Seniors will be back home sometime during the first two weeks of October. He said the Community Properties of Ohio (CPO) people are asking for input about the landscaping for the other affordable housing in Harrison West (Michigan Avenue, the brownstone, and Helen Court).
Planning and Development The next P&D meeting will be October 4, at the First Brethren Church at 6 PM.

New Business & Announcements:

HWS Meeting Date The next meeting will be October 20, 7:30 PM at the First Brethren Church.

Marathon Party It was decided that the Marathon Party would run from about 10 AM to 1 PM at the usual corner of Neil and Fifth on October 17 and that the Society would purchase coffee from Spinelli's Deli as usual. Tony Celebrezze volunteered to get music; Scott Robinson volunteered to bring noise makers; Tom Robinson will bring a table; Tom Maxwell will bring coffee and an extension cord. Stephanie Tresso Celebrezze motioned to allocate up to \$200 for the Marathon Party; Passed.

Pastor Richard Morris motioned to adjourn; Passed. Adjourned at 9:07 PM.

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Harrison West Society meets 3rd
Wednesday of each month, 7:30 PM.

The Harrison West Neighborhood Commission Means: No More Bars in Harrison West

A local developer has advised the Harrison West Society that a Commission is the neighborhood's best chance to control what eventually goes into the areas currently zoned M 1. The M 1. zoning is the least restrictive possible, meaning we could get more manufacturing there, or a dance club, a block of bars such as that on Long Street downtown, or even a rendering plant or trash-sorting facility.

There's a place for all these businesses, but is it in our neighborhood?



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Individual \$10 Senior (60 and over) \$5 Sustaining \$25

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Special Happenings

Sunday, Oct 24, 6 PM NEW Bible Study "The Purpose-Driven Life"

Sunday, Oct 31, 3 PM Showing "The Passion of the Christ" video

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Vote for Issues 4-11

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

You'll need to vote for each issue. Passing these bond issues, which will drive more than \$600 million in new investment for neighborhood projects, *will not result in any new taxes.*

Harrison West will benefit from passage of these bond issues. So, for the sake of the neighborhood, Vote YES for Issues 4 - 11.

Cleaning Up Goodale Park

The Friends of Goodale Park are planning a fall cleanup day at the park on Saturday, Oct. 23 from 9:00 - 11:30 AM.

Volunteers should plan to meet at the shelter house. Bring your own rakes and pruning tools, if possible.

Welcome Home Seniors

Last winter the Seniors who live in the Senior Center at Michigan Avenue School left home for the renovation of their building. Now it's finished, and the Seniors are coming home. We all welcome them back and look forward to seeing them in the neighborhood again.

Holiday Party December 15

The Holiday Potluck Party will be December 15 in lieu of a regular Harrison West meeting. Mark your calendars because you won't want to miss the food and fun these Holiday Potlucks always entail.

If you are a great party planner, call David Butler at 421-7157 to volunteer a very few hours of your time.



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Harrison Park

Fun-Loving Party Planner Needed for Harrison West Society to Make Holiday Potluck Bigger Than Ever

The Society is looking for a terrific neighborhood party planner to put together the Holiday Potluck. The major requirement is that you LOVE to throw parties and know how to make a party an event. Call Dave Butler at 421-7157 to volunteer.

Landscaping Input Sought for Affordable Housing Sites in Harrison West

Community Properties of Ohio (CPO) is asking for input about the landscaping for the other affordable housing in Harrison West (Michigan Avenue, the brownstone, and Helen Court). They don't need and muscle and sweat – just your suggestions and advice. Call David Butler at 421-7157.

Spinelli's Deli Serves Up New Harvest Menu and the *Big Mamoo*

Pumpkin is back on the Spinelli's Deli menu – in the coffee, in muffins, in cream cheese, and in a to-die-for pumpkin praline cheesecake.

There's a Harvest Turkey Sandwich on cranberry-walnut bread, and new butternut squash bisque.

Joe Spinelli says he's added another soup, bringing his daily total to nine! But better get there early, 'cause they go fast.

If you're brown-bagging it, stop by on the way to work for a soup and sandwich to go.

Bill and Joe decided the neighborhood needed subs, so they've added three Italian subs to the menu. Plus the *Big Mamoo*.

But to find out what the *Big Mamoo* is, you need to trek over to Spinelli's Deli in the Thurber Center. Read the sign, then order one for yourself.



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CPO Plans to Eliminate Bad Elements at the Affordable Housing Properties

Community Properties of Ohio (CPO) says it's a new day at its Harrison West affordable housing sites. CPO has partnered with Sheriff Dave Phalen, Sgt. Glenn Branam, the Columbus Police Dept., and the Columbus Department of Safety to implement a program to eliminate criminal activity and empower residents to build a sense of community in the low income housing in Harrison West.

The Eliminate the Elements program was funded through an effort involving Congresswoman Deborah Pryce and Campus Partners. The \$200,000 grant enabled Community Properties to lease a police cruiser from the city and hire twenty-four officers to work special duty on CP properties 72 hours a week.

CP has implemented an anonymous Tip Line (722-SAFE) that allows anyone in the commu-

nity to leave information about any criminal activity or any other concern.

The program has been very successful in helping CPO identify criminal activity on or around its properties.

So far this year in all the CPO properties (not just in Harrison West), the officers have accomplished: 2,737 self-initiated runs, 47 felony arrests, 42 misdemeanor arrests, 67 trespass warnings.

CPO's mission is to eliminate the criminal element while providing its residents with the tools to take ownership of their neighborhood and not allow criminal activity to saturate these areas as in the past.



Spaghetti Dinner Coming Up October 24, 12 to 2 PM

Get your appetite ready for good food at the second annual spaghetti dinner on Sunday, October 24, from Noon to 2 PM in the dining room of the King Ave. Church at the corner of King and Neil.



A mere \$7 buys adults spaghetti, meat balls, salad, dessert and beverage. Seniors (over 65) and children are \$5. Carry outs are an additional \$1 per meal and deliveries can be arranged for an additional \$2 per meal.

Tickets are available at New Life Church 294-0134 or Email nwlifeumc1@juno.com.

The New Life and King Avenue United Methodist Churches are presenting the dinner to support the King Ave./New Life Partnership with people who are poor.

Reason #996 to join the Harrison West Society

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Eadie Gourmet Eats Out at Shoku

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For a light meal, you cannot beat the tempuras: spicy calamari, shrimp and vegetables, or simply vegetables; each for under \$7.

I had never tried the Shoku salad, but Colleen loves it. It's a huge, composed (all the parts are arranged separately, not smooshed together) plate of flour noodles and stir-fried vegetables topped with an eggroll and your choice of chicken, shrimp, beef, or tofu. Colleen chose tofu — fried — and it was excellent. I could not believe how much food was on that plate. Our only complaint is that the noodles don't taste like much. Just order a side of the outstanding Soba sauce, a mix of teriaki sauce and lemon, and stir it into the noodles.

I ordered yaki soba shrimp, which is wheat noodles stir-fried with shrimp and veggies. The

shrimp were large, plump, and had been carefully grilled before being added to the stir-fried veggies. The Soba sauce (see above) is great and makes for a very savory dish.

For larger appetites, you could order the House Dishes, which are served with salad, rice, and a small helping of mixed Asian vegetables. According to Shoku, they've won awards with their salmon stuffed with cream cheese and vegetables.

On a later trip, I tried the Phad Thai noodles. Usually this dish is totally predictable, but Shoku's spicy coconut sauce is a cut above. My noodles had a few crispy bits in them, whether on purpose or by accident, but I liked the effect and the taste.

Sushi is big at Shoku. From the few selections I've tried, it's fresh, inventive, and tasty. I like

the raw squid on rice (squid nigiri) and the vegetable tempura roll — which is just what it sounds like!

For folks who don't care for raw fish, Shoku thoughtfully provides a variety of cooked sushi in tuna, salmon or yellow-tail. It's one way to have your sushi and know your friends can dine, too.

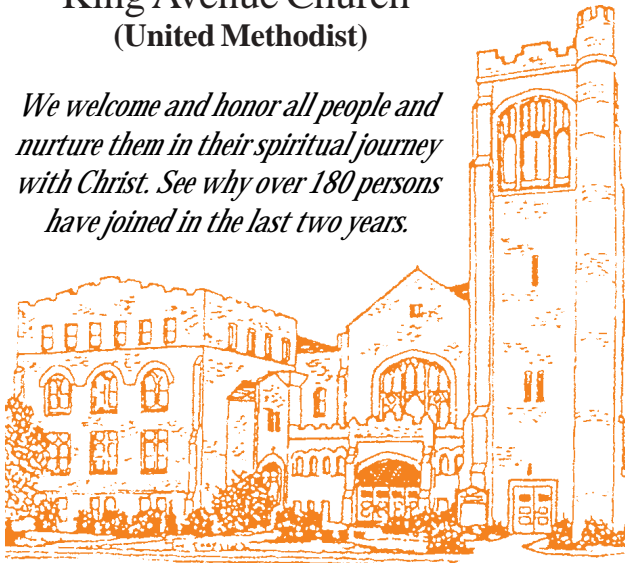
I think Shoku offers dessert. I just never have had enough space for it. As much as I like chocolate, when confronted with raw squid sushi or squid tempura, which I can't get just everywhere, I'll go with the squid.

I like almost everything about Shoku from the food to the decor to the prices. I have one teensy problem with the place, though. Every server is a size 2. And gorgeous. Makes me think seriously about agitating for a drive-through window.

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Eadie Gourmet Eats Out at Shoku

by Veda Gilp

One of my favorite Oriental restaurants is turning out to be Shoku on Grandview Avenue. I was there with my friend, Colleen Solms, who is a project manager for the State, recently and had a wonderful meal.

We began with edamame, those addictive boiled and salted Japanese soy beans. The steamed gyoza (vegetable, shrimp, or meat dumplings) are also very good, and I love the very crisp and flavorful veggie spring roll.

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