

# HARRISON WEST NEWS

November 2004 15/11

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Harrison West  
Society**



*All the eating and talking at the Summer Party in the Park every July.*




*Lots of fun and exercise at the Marathon Party every October.*




*All the eating and talking at the Holiday Potluck every December.*



## **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.

Last's year's event was very enjoyable, and the last guests staged an impromptu caroling session.  Who would want to miss that?

However, we still need a venue, a Chair Person, and some party planners. Call Dave Butler at 421-7157 to volunteer. 

## **Membership Drive Beginning**

It's time for the annual drive to enlist members for the Harrison West Society. The Society's goal is to improve our membership by 10 percent over 2004. With 256 members, that means we need renew everyone and get 25 new members. Sign up your neighbors, get to know the folks across the street, and don't forget those new people who moved in down the block. Tony Celebrezze is doing a great job as Chair, but he depends on the rest of us to help.

## **Side by Side Art Park Funded**

The City of Columbus has released the UIRF (Urban Infrastructure Recovery Funds) money to complete the Third Avenue Bridge Park, aka Side by Side Art Park. Plans call for making the Side by Side sculptures the focal points. To make the park more friendly, a paved path will be added along with two benches. Plans also call for lighting the sculptures. The City has been working closely with the Harrison West Society to make this a reality. Look for changes to begin in 2005. The UIRF money was allocated to the park in 1999, but the funds haven't been and won't be available until the 2005 budget.



## **Next Meeting: November 17**

**Affordable Housing  
Presentation  
Humko Update  
Holiday Party Planning  
Membership Drive**

Next regularly scheduled meeting will be November 17 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,  
November 17 at 7:30 PM  
First Brethren  
Church, corner of  
Oregon and Third**

## **INSIDE**

**Marathon Party  
Short North Art  
Goodale Park Lake  
Sculpture Fountain  
Vintage Jewelry  
Studio 16 SECONDS  
MediCare Lounge**



## HARRISON WEST SOCIETY MINUTES October 20, 2004

Submitted by Veda Gilp, Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM with a quorum of voting members present (21); President Dave Butler presiding.

### Routine Business

*Minutes* Pastor Richard Morris motioned to approve the minutes of the last meeting; Passed.

*Treasurer's Report* Treasurer Tom Maxwell reported a balance of \$3,936, with current bills paid.

### Guests

Lou Seipel and Lori McKenzie from Community Properties of Ohio (CPO) filled us in on renovation and moving schedules of the affordable housing in Harrison West. They expressed their determination to make the CPO community fit seamlessly into Harrison West. They offered a 24-hour phone number – 722-SAFE – and their own business numbers – 545-3023 and 545-3028 – in an effort to make this happen.

### Old Business and Committee Reports:

*Third Avenue Bridge Park* Dave Butler reported that the City has submitted a basic park plan for Harrison West approval. Mary Funk motioned to approve the plan design with Society additions and transmit the approval to the City; Passed. Craig Copeland amended the motion to insist that Molly, Randy Black, and Susan work on the plan. Mary Funk amended the motion to make the letter insist that all the UIRF funds available be utilized for the park.

*Marathon Party Wrap-up* Butler reported that the Marathon Party

was another success.

*Crime Report* Community Police Liaison Officer Steve Smith reported that aside from the homicide at Outland, September was not a bad month for crime in Harrison West. He estimated that 50 percent of the crime we do have occurs in the apartments in the newest southern portion of Harrison West.

*Planning and Development* The next P&D meeting will be November 1, at the First Brethren Church at 6 PM.

### New Business & Announcements:

*HWS Meeting Date* The next meeting will be November 17, 7:30 PM at the First Brethren Church.

*Holiday Party* It was decided that the Holiday Party would need a Chairperson and would be on December 15. Veda Gilp motioned to appropriate funds to send invitations to all members for this and all parties; Stephannie Tresso amended the motion to send Email, also; Passed.

*Announcements* Pastor Richard Morris announced that the life program A Purpose-Driven Life would be beginning at the First Brethren Church, and that "The Passion of Christ" would be shown on October 28.

Veda Gilp motioned to adjourn; Passed. Adjourned at 9:10 PM.

## Affordable Housing TIPS Line 722-SAFE

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

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The event begins at 1 PM. Cost is \$10 a person. Call 464-2022 for information about parking. The Kelton House Museum & Garden is located at 586 E. Town. Website [www.keltonhouse.com](http://www.keltonhouse.com).

## Studio16 Presents SECONDS and The Spoken Word

Studio 16, 431 West Third Avenue, never slows down. November is hot with two great events.

On Friday, November 19, three Columbus poets join members of the Newark City Schools Gifted and Talented Program to present an evening of spoken word. The poets are Sherrille D. Lamb, Chris Appel, and Robert Jones. The event runs from 7:30 to 9:30 PM; admission is \$7.

Through November 26, SECONDS by artist Susan O'Dell will be hanging at Studio 16. For more information, contact Studio16 at 297-5909.

In addition to exhibiting some of Columbus' finest artists, Studio16 also presents a variety of performing artists, hosts a series of special events, and offers classes and workshops geared towards professional and amateur artists alike.

## Harrison West News Editor Resigning

"It's time for a new voice for Harrison West," Harrison West News Editor Veda Gilp says. Gilp, who has been creating the Harrison West News for more than nine years, plans to turn the newsletter over to a new editor after the May issue.

The Harrison West News is one of the best neighborhood newsletters in the Metro area. It is the voice of Harrison West in all the City departments. As such, it not only carries news of the neighborhood, but reminds the City that Harrison West is an important neighborhood.



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Harrison Park

## 4th Annual Marathon Race Party Was Another Fun and Tasty Harrison West Event

We cheered on the racers, chowed down, and had a good time with our neighbors at the 4th Annual Harrison West Marathon Race Party. This year, the race ran along Fifth to turn onto Neil, making our usual corner prime cheering ground. Panera supplied the food again this year. Great weather. Great event. Great friends. Parties don't need anything else.



## Newsletter Editor Sought for Harrison West News

Responsibilities include attending all Harrison West events and meetings; taking pictures and PhotoShooting them for the publication; writing the articles; designing and putting together the newsletter; working with the printer; selling and invoicing advertising; keeping a data base of politicos and friends of Harrison West and mailing the newsletter to them each month.

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## Public Art Excitement Happening in Short North

BrickStreet Arts, The Friends of Goodale Park, and the Short North Improvement District people have been working to make our extended Harrison West neighborhood a Public Art center. Now you're being invited to look, enjoy, and, in the case of the Sculpture-Fountain for Goodale Lake, help decide what's created.

### Grand Sculpture Fountain in Goodale Lake Wants Your Vote

Founded in 1851, Goodale Park is the city's oldest park and the park most visited by tourists to Columbus. The sculpture fountain will be enjoyed by millions of people for generations to come. This is your chance to help decide what the design will be. The first showing of the finalists' designs will be during the Short North Gallery Hop on Saturday, December 4 from 2 to 10 PM in the Wood Development conference room at 930 N. High Street. Friends of Goodale Park and BrickStreet Arts

Association is presenting this exhibit to the community seeking input regarding the designs. Fifty-four artists, some from as far away as Canada, Mexico and Japan, competed to design the sculpture with water feature that is to grace Goodale Park Lake. Four finalists were selected during rigorous judging.



Thanks to Rick Miller's (Rec and Parks) handiness with PhotoShop, we can see what one of the finalists envisions for the Goodale Lake Sculpture Fountain.

The second presentation will be at the Friends of Goodale Park Annual Holiday Gala at Cocoa Manor, 76 Buttles Avenue, December 15 from 6 to 9 PM. Tickets may be purchased at the door for \$35, with all proceeds from the event going to install the sculpture and fountain. For more information or to make a donation, please call 228-2912.

**The Cliff Dwellers mural** on High Street on the side of the Burgundy Room building is garnering some wonderful comments. It will be dedicated at the Short North holiday bash in December. Cliff Dwellers, a copy of the George Bellows painting of a New York tenement, was painted by Curtis Goldstein and Michelle Attias, local mural artists.



**The Couch** is in up the street at Greenwood and High. Created by artist Robert Huff, it was installed November 12. BrickStreet Arts commissioned the Public Art in



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## Buckeye Way Runs Through Harrison West Now

Chris Spielman joined the folks from APCO on November 5 to rechristen Michigan Avenue to Buckeye Way for November. Get your pictures at the corner of Buckeye Way and Buttles Avenue.



## Crime Report Is Bad News

There's no way to sugar coat this: some person or persons is on a rampage of malicious destruction in Harrison West -- everything from breaking car windows to graffiti vandalism. During October, there were 8 car or truck break-ins and theft, 2 burglaries, 7 episodes of malicious destruction, and 1 sexual assault. The holidays will make it worse. Watch yourself, and empty your car when you park it.

In other news, Sheriff Karnes has informed the *Harrison West News* that a sexual predator has moved into Harrison West. For more information on sexual predators, check out the Sexual Predator link at [www.sheriff.franklin.oh.us](http://www.sheriff.franklin.oh.us).

## Eadie Gourmet Eats Out at MCL

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They also offer tossed salads and a spinach salad with onions and oranges. The spinach salad always is a good bet, but summon up sufficient verbal energy to ask that they put it into a much larger bowl than the dessert bowl it's usually piled into; otherwise you wind up with spinach and onion rings all over the table.

They offer blue jello. Enough said.

If you are lucky enough to get there when they have meat loaf, rejoice. It's the kind your grandmother made. (My mother cooked meals, but you all are a bit younger than I, and I'm assuming your Mom worked and hit MCL just as I do.) All beef, just enough bread crumbs to hold it together, and ketchup on top.

They almost always have baked turkey with dressing, which is good.

They also offer roast beef sliced to order, and almost always some beef patty cooked with something. Don't go there. This is not a place you want to eat beef.

Stick with the chicken, turkey, baked or fried fish, or the occasional cabbage roll or stuffed pepper.

Sides go with the entrees offered. Always those good mashed potatoes, beans of some sort, sometimes mac and cheese. Assume the vegetables will have come from a can, except when they have asparagus, when it's fresh and cooked just right.

They make their breads and desserts there, and they are big sellers by the piece and uncut. Try the cloverleaf rolls. Pretty good.

They always have pie and cake and a custard of some sort. For two years, I've been resisting their custard pie. One of these days....

Last week, Molly got a humongous piece of dark chocolate cake with a pastry creme filling. She was going to take it home with her, but you know me and my chocolate habit. She had half a piece left to take home.

MCL will never take the place of your Mom's kitchen, or Cap City Diner, or the French Loaf. But for what it is, and for as little energy as it takes to eat there, it's good value, decent food, and you can almost always be pretty sure you won't run into anyone you know who's under 70.

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## Eadie Gourmet Eats Out at MCL

by Veda Gilp

Neighbors Molly Maccracken and Lauren Creighten and I frequently hit the MCL, otherwise known as the MediCare Lounge, for comfort food on those nights none of us have the energy to cook — or deal with perky wait persons.

If you've ever been in that position, the MCL in Kingsdale Center should be in your list of "places I like to eat but don't brag about."

The MCL serves up true comfort food for very little money. There's no tipping, and you'll NEVER see a size 2 waitress. It's a cafeteria just like in grade school where you push your tray along the line and point out what you want. Few verbal skills are required, which is good, given my state of mind some evenings.

The food is better than you would expect, and, contrary to rumor, they do provide salt and pepper at the tables.

I go for their baked chicken, which is always very good, costs less than \$4, and is right there when I point at it. With it I usually have decent mashed potatoes and gravy and green beans cooked with bacon (remember, I said I go there for comfort food).

They always offer the kinds of salads your grandmother made: carrot and raisin, 3 bean, cucumbers and onions in vinegar, jello with fruit, broccoli and mayo, pickled beets. Lauren loves their cucumber and onions and Molly orders the 3 bean whenever they have it.

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