

HARRISON WEST NEWS

January 2007/18/1

A Neighborhood on the National Register of Historic Places

Since 1976

Harrison West Society Holiday Party Rocked

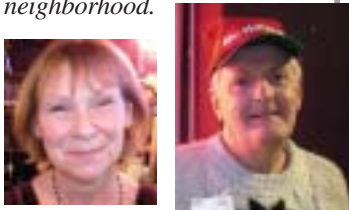
What a party it was! About a hundred people came to Victorian's Midnight Cafe to eat, drink and celebrate the spirit of the season with friends and neighbors. See more pictures on page 2 inside.



Becky Borlaza and Jacob and Julie Sukosd posed cheerfully for the photographer.



Newcomers Laurie and 'Jim Patton bought the Kentris' beautifully-restored Victorian at Fourth and Harrison. Let's all welcome them to the neighborhood.



Pam Ryan, new neighbor on Vermont Place

Rich Polk

Harrison West Society Has 232 Members and Looking for More

Never one to hold back, Membership Chair Tony Celebrezze is planning an extra push to gain more members for 2007. "I remember a few years ago when we were working hard to get 150 members," he says. "Now we're aiming for more than 250 members paid up for 2007."

The Executive Committee thinks Tony's committee will meet its goal, because from Art to Zoning, Rails to Trails, Parks to Parties -- the Harrison West Society has it covered in Harrison West.

So join or renew your membership now in one of the most active, powerful, and successful neighborhood organizations in Columbus.

It's a good way to get to know your neighbors, and an even better way to have a say in the decisions the Society makes for the neighborhood. What else can you get for \$10 that will deliver that sense of power, of prestige, of excitement? The chance to vote on what we do with \$1,000,000 in park money, the chance to guide where the Society puts millions in TIF money?

We're talking POWER here. And you get it by joining today using the form on Page 3 or on the bottom of the *News* flag.



New 4th Ave. neighbors Chris Condon and Deisha Dailey



Bo Schwartz



Kevin Hathaway, Scott Kustus and friend



Secretary Jim Slone



Mark Hamsher



Lots of gifts for lots of lucky winners.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, January 17

We'll be covering the Society's Goals for 2007, changes to the Constitution, and recapping some of the successes of 2006. See you there.

NEXT MEETING

The Harrison West Society will meet
Wednesday,
January 17 at 7:00 PM
First Brethren Church, Third & Oregon

INSIDE

Party Pictures
Top and Alta
Fifth Ave. School
SNNF New Officers
Alpha State Movie Night
5th Ave. Dam
Constitution
Yard Sale

New meeting time is 7 PM.

Harrison West Holiday Party Rocked

(Continued from Page 1)

Big thanks go to the generous sponsors of the Harrison West Holiday Party: Dooley & Co Realtors, the Wagenbrenner Company and Ken Wightman, Inc.

Also major Harrison West thanks to all the many gift donors: 5/3 Bank

- Aniara Beauty Salon
- Applebee's University City
- Betty's Fine Food & Spirits
- Bruce Dooley / Dooley & Co Cafe Corner
- Caffe Apropos
- Culpeppers
- Designs By Doe Floral Studio
- Image Optical
- Jeni's Ice Creams
- Kathy Burd / Dooley & Co
- Loot - Antiques & Gifts
- Market Blooms
- National City Bank
- Piece of Cake
- Rebecca Borlaza / Easton
- Regina Acosta Tobin / Dooley & Co
- Robert Rothschild Farm
- Sandy Woolard / Dooley & Co
- Sharon Young / Dooley & Co
- Spinelli's Deli
- Strader's Garden Center - King Ave.
- Surly Girl Saloon
- The Trendy Thriftique
- Zen Sushi & More

Party Co-Chair Sandy Woolard reports that "everybody I see who was there stops me and advises what a marvelous time everyone had. They loved the idea of having the Cafe all to ourselves, and the ambiance of the interior and the staff all was GREAT."



Doug Swartz and Jim Fry



Barbara Wyrick and Ken Wightman



Mark Wagenbrenner and Craig Copeland enjoy some brews.



New neighbor Rick Martineau and Realtor Bruce Dooley.



New neighbors Lee and Leigh Osterling



Representative Ted Celeste and Tony and Stephanie Celebrezze



George and Emily Lloyd



Nick and Bonnie Kentris and Bill Miller



Party Co-Chairs Sandy Woolard and Gil Borlaza put in tons of hard work, and everyone present enjoyed the results.



Kathy Lyons won lots of Rothschild Farm goodies in the Grand Prize.



Cafe Apropos' Anton Wood



Tom Maxwell brought the GIANT basket of Rothschild Farms treat that was the Grand Prize..



Maddy Weisz and John Cowin

HARRISON WEST NEWS

is the monthly publication of the Harrison West Society, Inc.

www.harrisonwest.org

P.O. Box 163442, Columbus, OH 43216

Officers

PRESIDENT

Rob Harris 297-8388
rharris@archall.com

VICE PRESIDENT

Mary Funk 291-9545
MFunk50@sbcglobal.net

SECRETARY

Jim Sloan
slonej@gmail.com

TREASURER

Becky Borlaza 746-5606
rborlaza@borlaza.com

Editorial and Advertising

Information:

Editor Veda Gilp 299-6877,444-4532(w), fax 444-1710, vedagilp@vedagilp.com

Editorial and Advertising Deadlines:

Third Friday of the month preceding publication month.

Please email a PDF of your ad. Ads are 2-3/8 inches wide.

Ad rates 3 X@12 X@

3 col inches(2 3/8 w X 3 h) \$ 30 \$ 25

6 col inches(5 wX 3 h) \$ 60 \$ 55

1/2 page (7.5wX5.5h) \$160 \$155

full page(7.5 wX 9.75h) \$300 \$290

inserts \$150 each time if preprinted; inserts not pre-approved will be \$300.

Send to: Veda Gilp, Editor, 996 Pennsylvania Ave., Columbus, OH 43201

Terms Payment for ALL ads is due by the 15th of the month the ad runs. Ads not paid within 30 days will be dropped until payment is made. Make checks payable to Harrison West Society and send to Harrison West Society, P.O. Box 163442, Columbus, OH 43216. Ads which are created by the *Harrison West News* are the property of the *Harrison West News* and cannot be used in other publications.

The Harrison West News reserves the right to decline any advertising which does not meet editorial and advertising guidelines.

The *Harrison West News* is produced by an all-volunteer staff, and while accuracy is paramount, the reader is advised the *Harrison West News* or the *Harrison West Society, Inc.*, is not responsible for errors.

Copyright 2007 by Harrison West Society, Inc. All rights reserved. Harrison West Society meets 3rd Wednesday of each month, 7:00 PM.



Mr. and Mrs. John Carter



Architects Steve and Laura Shinn

New meeting
time is 7 PM.



Designs by Doe

Flowers • Plants • Gifts
Balloons • Candles • Gift Baskets
Weddings • Funerals • All Occasions
Always Something Different

Open Mon-Sat, delivery everywhere
your local florist

1110 Michigan Ave at Third

614.299.2858

www.designsbydoe.com

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.

NAME(S) _____

PHONE _____ EMail _____

ADDRESS _____

RENEWAL NEW MEMBERSHIP

Individual \$10 Household \$15

Senior \$5 (60+) Sustaining \$25 Patron (Business) \$30

Non-Harrison West Resident (non-voting) \$10



CIRCULARS

City-wide delivery

We specialize in the **SHORT NORTH** area
Door-to-door distribution of Circulars,
Samples, Coupons, etc.

"It's in the bag - 52 weeks a year"

RELIABLE

Advertising & Distributing Co.
P.O. Box 8027, Columbus 43201

294-1629

First Brethren Church

Reaching out to all with God's Love

473 W. Third Avenue 299-3663

RICHARD MORRIS, PASTOR

John/Betty Jordan, Assistants

Sunday 9:20 AM Sunday School
10:20 Refreshment Gathering
10:40 Morning Worship
6:00 PM Evening Worship

Tuesday 6:30 PM Bible Study

Thursday 6:30 PM Youth Group

Friday 7:00 PM Open Prayer

Our church is open to all.

Please come.

FOR Victorian Village Family Health PHONE 614-299-2557

ADDRESS 100 West Third Avenue, Suite 250, Columbus, Ohio 43201



QUALITY, CONVENIENT HEALTH CARE — JUST WHAT THE DOCTOR ORDERED

**Brian Beesley, DO
Kenneth Saul, DO**

Victorian Village Family Health makes seeing the doctor incredibly easy for residents in and around Victorian Village. Located near the intersection of West Third and Dennison Avenues, our board-certified physicians are dedicated to providing comprehensive care in a patient-friendly environment. Now welcoming new patients. Most insurance accepted. **Call 614-299-2557 to schedule an appointment.**



MOUNT CARMEL
HealthProviders

Mount Carmel HealthProviders is a group of primary care and specialty physician practices located in central Ohio, with more than 80 family practice, internal medicine, pediatric, neurology, neurosurgery and vascular physicians.

Dispense as written

mchealthproviders.com

No one (but no one) reads a constitution, unless they have to. – P. T. Barnum

Chris Ruder, Constitution Committee Chair

While the Society is adequately set up, we have had a number of problems with the details. Last term, President Funk started a review of our By Laws and this term President Harris appointed a By Laws Revision Committee.

We have been meeting and have decided (with the Executive Committee's approval) that we do not need to change the Society's structure. We do need, however, to improve the wording. One change that will be made is the replacement of the Executive Board (only the officers) with an Executive Committee (the officers and committee chairs).

Meetings of committees are open to any member. Just ask to be notified when they occur.

The Short North Neighborhood Foundation Intros New Officers



The Foundation has named Mary Stuessy (center) as President, Stephen Weed as Vice President, Pat Lewis (right) as Secretary and Laura Wojciechowski (left) as Treasurer.

Columbus Development Director Cites Harrison Park and Gowdy Field as Brownfield Development Successes

In this month's *Columbus Monthly*, Development Director Mark Barbash is quoted as saying that the Whittier Peninsula, Harrison Park and Gowdy Field are all recent successes in the City's efforts at brownfield redevelopment. Obviously this isn't news to Harrison Westers, because Harrison Park and Gowdy Field are OUR neighborhood and OUR successes. It's just nice that the City recognizes it, too.

Let's try to get Harrison West featured in the next *Columbus Monthly* "Best Communities" article, too.

"We wish all contractors were so diligent. Top-notch all the way." Clem and Bill, Harrison West

Call **Painting and More** for quality home improvements. Insured, bonded, residential and commercial, member of Angie's List and Clintonville C of C. Ask for our 25 Point Customer Satisfaction Guarantee.

PAINTING & MORE

Robert Eves, Owner Robertfeb@yahoo.com

We do the cooking.
We give you free delivery.
What could be better?

Call 294-CAFE
for FREE DELIVERY
when you mention this ad
(through January 31)



3rd Avenue at Pennsylvania Avenue
Harrison West • Columbus
See our menu at
www.cafecornercolumbus.com

HarrisonWestHomes.com

Ken Wightman your neighborhood Realtor

- Specializing in Harrison West
- 21 years selling homes in Harrison West
- Longtime resident and homeowner in Harrison West
- #1 in sales in Harrison West

Experience and Knowledge count
When you're ready to Buy or Sell call Ken



 **Prudential**
American Realty Center
719 N. High St. Columbus, Ohio 43215

Ken Wightman
kwight@ee.net
294-5335

Sandy Woolard Named to Election Committee

Longtime resident Sandy Woolard will be bringing her considerable organizing and persuading skills to the Election Committee with Bob Mangia. If you are thinking of running for any office in the Society, contact Sandy at 297-8600, ext 119.



COMING SOON! 4 Brick Condos

956-962 Neil Ave.-Victorian Village beauties! 1-3 bdrms and 1 bth each unit. Decorative fireplaces, wood frs and storage abound.
\$139,900-\$209,900



Joe Armeni GRI

New Listing-Victorian Village

1247 Forsythe Ave.-Lovely renovated condo w/ 2 bdrms, 1 bth, wood flrs, granite counters, new kitch appliances, full bsmt. See & buy today! \$159,900

Call the Short North Real Estate Expert Joe Armeni, Broker/Owner
RE/MAX City Center, REALTORS
453 W. Third Avenue Columbus, Ohio 43201 (614) 291-7555
Email: Armenisells@compuserve.com
SHORTNORTHOMES.COM



SAVE MONEY WITH THE HOME/CAR DISCOUNT.
Which helps when you have the **HOME/CAR PAYMENTS.**

*Combine your home and auto insurance and save up to 20% on your premiums at Nationwide.**

Charles Jacoby Agency

One Nationwide Plaza
Columbus, OH 43215
614-249-2141
Charles_Jacoby_Agency@NWagent.com

Nationwide®
On Your Side
Auto Home Life Business

Call me today for a quote.

Products underwritten by Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company and Affiliated Companies. Life Insurance issued by Nationwide Life Insurance Company. Home Office: Columbus, Ohio 43215-2220.

Caffe Apropos

Beer by the Glass or Bottle

More than 60 premiums from around the world
Good Food, too
Relax in our rich ambiance
Mon-Sat to 11 PM; Sun 1 to 11 PM

corner Third and Michigan
294-5282

Warranties

Tires — Road hazard as well as manufacturer's defects
Functional parts — replacement as well as labor warranties
Extended Warranties — used vehicles
Many others — ASK US!
We make your ride — and your life — **BETTER!**

TOM & JERRY
AUTO SERVICE
488-8507

General Repairs • Transmission Repairs
Tires • Nationwide Warranty 12/12

Corner of Kenny & Chambers




WE WELCOME AND HONOR

ALL

King Avenue
United Methodist Church
Open hearts, Open minds, Open doors.

299 King Avenue | Columbus, Ohio 43201
614.424.6050 | www.kingave.org

Sunday Worship 9:00 am & 10:45 am

New meeting
time is 7 PM.

Movie Night at Alpha State

Learn how to manifest unlimited Joy, Love, Money and Health! Everyone is invited to Alpha State's screening of "The Secret," the ground-breaking movie that reveals the Great Secret to Life. It's at 433 W. 3rd Avenue, on January 14, from 4:00-6:30 PM. Short discussion after the film.

The cost of this event is \$15 and snacks & bevs are included. Short discussion after the film.

RSVP for this Event NOW!
alphastatelife@hotmail.com <http://www.alphastatelife.com>

Harrison West Yard Sale Coming Soon

Start thinking of what you want to sell at the combined Harrison West Victorian Village yard sale in June.

5th Ave School Saved

Word has reached the Harrison West News that the Fifth Avenue School has been removed from the Columbus Public Schools 'closing list. That's good news for the neighborhood and for the students, parents and teachers at Fifth Avenue.

Harrison West Membership Chair Tony Celebrezze Announces Run for City Council

Wouldn't it be great to have a Harrison Wester on City Council? Good Luck Tony.



DISTINCTIVE URBAN LIVING IN HARRISON WEST.

THE HOMES AT HARRISON PARK, EST. 2005.
PERRY STREET, HARRISON WEST.

HARRISONPARK

FLATS. HOMES. LOFTS.

CITY, REDEFINED.

A PROUD MEMBER OF THE HARRISON WEST SOCIETY

GET THE FULL STORY AT HARRISONPARK.COM OR BY CALLING ERIC AT 488.0671

5th Ave Dam Getting Big Bucks for Study

With all that's happening from the dam on down the river, Harrison West needs a seat at the table. Friends of the Lower Olentangy (FLOW) can help us get that seat. Let's work on getting FLOW to a meeting to fill us in on what's going on -- such as the new sewer lines soon to be installed on our side of the river.



Eadie Gourmet Eats Out at the Top and Alta

(Continued from Page 8)

Bread service was just OK, nothing special.

Eadie Gourmet always, but always, has dessert -- but not at the Top. All their desserts come pre-made from GFS.

So we went to Graeters for real ice cream.

Basically the Top is OK, and if you're feeling truly retro, it might be a nice change of pace. To me, though, it's not worth the trip out to Beyond Bexley.

Now for the New in steakhouses. Pat Lewis and I made it to Alta for its opening. Alta has added many Italian dishes to its

menu, and is saving tons of money by replacing the white tablecloths with stained black woodgrain.

The menu is much more interesting than the Top's in that it includes everything from designer pizza to regional Italian specialties.

Since I wanted to compare steak to steak for this review, I ordered a simple salad, bone-in ribeye steak and spinach mascarpone risotto.

The panzanella salad is mixed greens, pesto croutons, roasted red peppers and pine nuts. Frankly, I couldn't decide which was better -- the pesto vinaigrette dressing or the pesto croutons. Great salad.

Pat's Signature salad of arugula, spinach, apples, walnuts, gorgonzola and walnut oil vinaigrette was excellent, also, but we

both decided we liked my salad better.

Pat's lamb chops turned out to be tender, tasty, and rare. She pronounced them outstanding. So were the garlic mashed potatoes.

The bread is wonderful, being a simple foccacia you dip in olive oil.

My rib eye was magnificent! Barely warm inside, tender juicy, flavorful -- you couldn't ask more from a steak. At 24 ounces, it also made me a very nice meal later.

The risotto was one of the best I've ever had.

Dessert -- they make them at Alta, so don't miss the B42 chocolate torte and the cannoli. Until you taste, you wouldn't believe me even if I did tell you how good they are.

Go to Alta. It's great.

Eadie Gourmet does not represent the views of the Harrison West Society.

Buying or selling a home?

Our dedicated team of professionals gives you the personal attention you need whether you are buying or selling.

New builds, older homes, lofts and condos...we do it all.



Bruce Dooley, CRS, ext. 101



Chris Zuelke, LPA, ext. 110

DOOLEY & COMPANY
REALTORS
The Trusted Name In Real Estate



Equal housing opportunity

614-297-8600 • 252 W. Fifth Ave • Columbus, Ohio • www.dooleyco.com



Kathleen Burd, ABR, ext. 105



Bradley Weatherford, CRS, ext. 115



Sandy Woolard, ext. 119



Patrick Jones, ext. 102



Sharon Young, ext. 104



Donald "DJ" Coon, ABR, ext. 212



Regina Acosta Tobin, ext. 107

Eadie Gourmet Eats Out at The Top and Alta

by Veda Gilp

Recently I've tried the old and the new in Columbus steak houses. The old is the Top, a 50's style steak house on East Broad that got stuck in the 50's and never moved.

The new is Alta, which is the latest incarnation of Abbracci, in the Short North. Both these places specialize in red meat, but Alta has updated the menu. The Top has not.

Lynda Mahaffey, Pat Lewis, and Maddy Weisz joined me at the Top. It was raining, and it was chilly inside. It was also crowded with people chowing down on huge chunks of red meat.

The wedge of iceberg lettuce with a slice of imitation tomato and blue cheese dressing has morphed into a bowl of bag salad with imitation tomato and blue cheese dressing. My advice -- pass on the salad.

Order meat and baked potato. That's what the Top does right.

Maddy had the filet with asparagus. She pronounced it delicious and perfectly cooked. Even the asparagus was still slightly crisp.

Lynda and Pat's prime rib also was excellent. My porterhouse was darned good. And so huge, it made me two meals at home later.

The baked potatoes are done in foil. UGH! Sour cream, butter and dried chives are brought around by the wait person in those old fashioned-servers and she dollops out onto your plate what you want.

(Continued on Page 7)

HARRISON WEST NEWS



St. Francis of Assisi
Roman Catholic Church
386 Buttles Ave.
299-5781

WEEKEND MASSES
Sunday: 9 AM and 11 AM

MASSES DURING THE WEEK
Tuesday through Friday: 6 PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Friday at 5:30 PM
www.sfacolumbus.org



Modern Organic
Products

Specializing in problem hair.

*So you can look as
good as you want*

444 West Third Avenue, Columbus, Ohio 43201
(614) 299-2409



YOU HAVE
OUR SUPPORT:

Other banks are banks in the neighborhood.
We're your neighborhood bank.

National City is proud to be an active member of the Harrison West community. Visit Mary Stuessy and her team for an award-winning customer experience. 763 Neil Avenue, 614-621-5430

National City

NationalCity.com

Member FDIC
Copyright © National City Corporation®