

# HARRISON WEST NEWS

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## Riverfront Guidelines Do We Approve? FEB. 13 MEETING

Cleve Ricksecker, from the Riverfront Commons Corporation and Capital Square South, will be at the February meeting to discuss the Riverfront Corridor Handbook, part of which affects Harrison West in particular. The City wants the Harrison West Society to approve the Handbook in February, and we will vote on that endorsement at that meeting. **What's in it for you?**

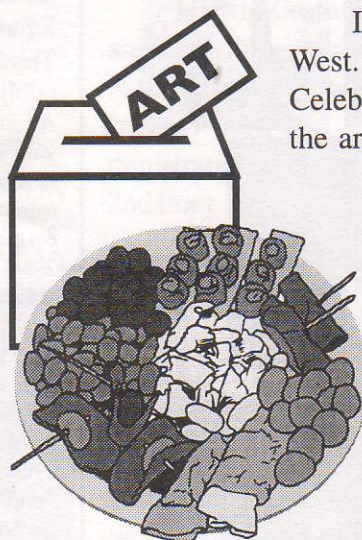
The City's draft Riverfront Corridor Handbook fleshes out some design ideas from the Riverfront Vision Plan which was approved by City Council in 1998. The Vision Plan had established the strategy for parkland and urban redevelopment in a nine-mile corridor along the river, from Ohio State through downtown and south to Frank Road.

Now the Handbook builds on that plan. On Page 3, you'll see what's in store for Harrison West.

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## Party Hearty for Public Art And Vote on What You Like **THIS IS IT. YOUR ONLY CHANCE TO VOTE FOR PUBLIC ART FOR HARRISON WEST**

**January 22, 5 to 7:30, Fourth Avenue Christian Church, corner Neil and Fourth**



**RSVP to 421-7157 by January 10 so we know how much food to order.**

models or drawings of the future work of art, which may turn out to be sculpture, benches, or sidewalk tiles.

The commissioned proposals have been developed by the public art competition finalists: Jon Hudson, Charlotte Lees, and Barbara Vogel. These artists will each give a short presentation on their proposal and answer questions.

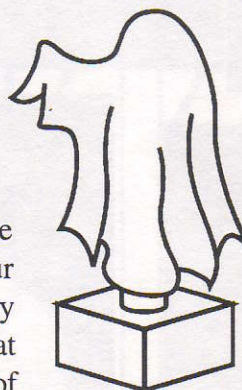
If you're visiting the White House on January 22 and can't attend our party, you still can vote! From January 24 through the 31st, you can vote at Enlightenment Candles at the corner of Michigan and Third.

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It's party time in Harrison West. The party is the Public Art Celebration where **we'll vote** for the artist's proposal for art you would most like to see in Harrison West.

**We'll eat. We'll listen and dance to live music** by the famous Curbfeelers! **We'll talk** (we always talk). **We'll have a good time. We'll win Door Prizes**, including a helicopter ride! And it won't cost you a thing. There's even someone to watch the kids.

The proposals will be



## Harrison West Neighbors Sound Off

*by Maddy Weisz*

Yes, things are booming in the neighborhood and in the Harrison West Society. When I asked Harrison West Members what they saw as accomplishments in 1999, they had no problem coming up with terrific answers.

Amanda Butler, who lives on Fourth Ave., said she has been impressed with all the home improvements, new builds, and new residents including children. *(Continued on Page 5)*

## NEXT MEETING

The Harrison West Society will meet  
Thursday, January  
13, 7:30 PM,  
Godman Guild  
321 W. Second Avenue  
Public Art  
Holiday Lights Awards  
Traffic Update  
Michigan Market

## INSIDE

More on Public Art  
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## Holiday Potluck Fun, Fun, Fun, and Food

Everyone who came really enjoyed the Harrison West Society Holiday Potluck at the Harrison House Bed and Breakfast. More than 50 people wedged themselves into the beautifully-decorated Victorian like gifts stuffed into a stocking by an overenthusiastic Santa. No one minded the crowd, though, because everyone was having such a good time. The food was great; proving once again that people in this neighborhood can cook!

Thanks so much to our hosts, Don and Sandy Davis.



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Harrison West Society meets 2nd Thursday of each month at Godman Guild, 321 Second Avenue, 7:30 PM.



## Public Art Party

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**Bring your dancing shoes!** To add to the fun, The Curbfeelers, the famous local band which specializes in blues rock/country music, will be playing. The Curbfeelers are led by Italian Village resident, Steve Harper.

**Bring the kids!** Barbara Williams of Pennsylvania Ave. will be providing activities for children of all ages.

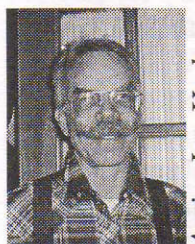
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Artist Charlotte Lees

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## Riverfront Plan Do We Approve?

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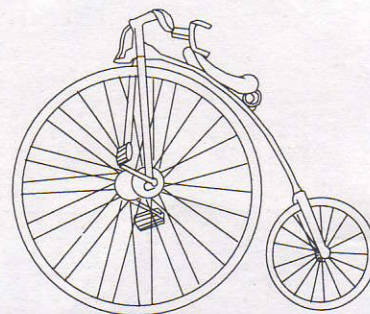
Directly affecting Harrison West, the Plan establishes:

**\*\* The pattern of development and the layout of streets south of First Avenue.** A tree-lined "Parkside Drive" with ornamental lights will separate a riverfront park from the "redevelopment area". The redevelopment area, currently mostly parking lots and warehouses, will have an urban grid of streets and alleys.

**\*\*Review Commission Guidelines for new buildings.** Construction in the river corridor will be subject to architectural guidelines such as the relative size of the building and its relationship

to the street. These design guidelines try to ensure a healthy density and urban character, sometimes referred to as "New Urbanism". Residences would be mixed in with limited retail and offices. Essentially, the Plan is asking for Commission status for much of Harrison West.

**\*\* Historic Preservation.** The guidelines want new buildings to "look new and reflect contemporary design" and at the same time "be compatible with nearby historic structures."



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## And the Holiday Lights Winners Are ...

### 365 W. Second    Riverfront Condos    1237 Michigan

'Twas the season for lights and decorations in Harrison West, which made it hard for our esteemed judges to pick just three winners.

**Elegantly Victorian** **Cathy Capuano** decorated her home at 1237 Michigan with a lovely holiday display of gold-ribboned wreaths in every window; a beribboned, lighted swag over

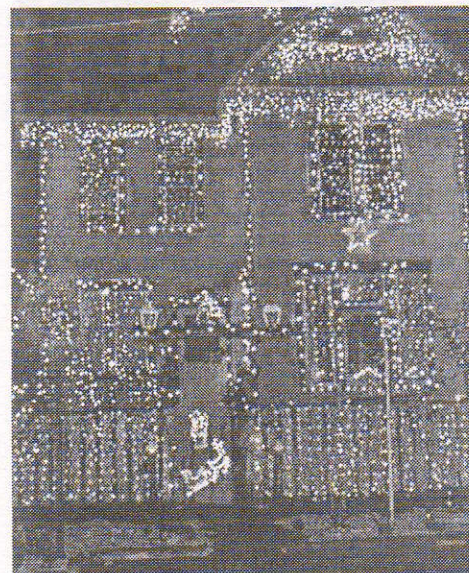


*Elegantly Victorian 1237 Michigan*

the door; matching roping around the porch railings and down the steps. Lights decorated a tree set up in the front yard between the front windows. A matching wreath graced the back of the house.

**Most Exuberant** **Ervin Anderson** outdid everyone else for the second year. For sheer wattage, no one could match 365 W. Second. He outlined his house with lights, covered the windows, the fence, and the trees with lights, added a few hundred more lights in the yard just for good measure, and finished off with a lighted star between the upstairs and downstairs windows. Every judge remarked that the house made you cheerful just looking at it.

**Traditional** **the Condos by the River at Third** Bill Wheeler, 594 Bradley, decorated his condo and his neighbors' condos -- Brad Feldman at 590 and Jim Harris at 592 -- and used lights and wreaths to make a festive holiday display best enjoyed when coming into the neighborhood on the Third Avenue Bridge. Despite this limitation, the judges decided the display was just too pretty to pass over. White lights outlined the decks, rested in the trees, and spilled down the riverbank to be reflected in the water.

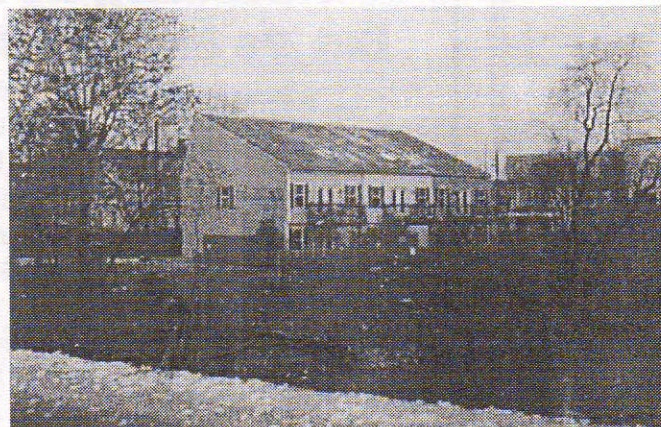


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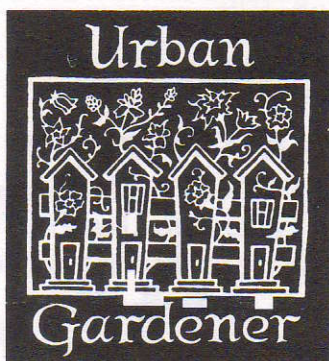
The winners will be presented with certificates and prizes at the Harrison West meeting on January 13, 7:30 PM at the Godman Guild at 321 W. Second Avenue.

Prizes were supplied by Aniara Salon, Bob Evans Restaurant, Enlightenment Candle Shop, Manhattan Bagel, and Urban Gardener. Thanks to all these merchants who support our neighborhood and to Jenny Gable who contacted them all and picked up the prizes.

Thanks also to our judges, John Cowin, Maddy Weisz, Sandy Woolard, and Gene Roe. Major thanks to all the neighbors who decorated outdoors so we all could share the pleasures of Holiday Lights.



*Traditional the Condos by the River at Third*



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## Harrison West Sound Off

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She felt the Harrison West Society has provided opportunities for neighbors to socialize, pursued traffic calming, discussed crime prevention, maintained the street trees and promoted Public Art. Amanda feels the HWS provides a network for community: it provides a forum for neighbors and friends to talk about their concerns.

**Mark Hamsher** of Fourth Ave. when asked about accomplishments mentioned: the Third Ave. Bridge, keeping Traffic to a minimum, holding the Yard Sale, completion of the bike path, throwing the Holiday Party, applying for and using the Urban Infrastructure funds, and developing the Public Art Project. He felt the Public Art Project was very exciting and out of the ordinary. He has appreciated the opportunity to meet all kinds of new people that HWS has provided.

**Mildred Todd**, a 44 year resident of Harrison Ave., appreciated the Yard Sale as money-maker, is pleased

with the opening of the bike path, was impressed with the publicity for the Holiday party that got so many neighbors there, and likes making cookies for the HWS meetings.

**Brandon Moore** of Pennsylvania Ave. was pleased to say he has not had problems with vandalism and crime in the past six months. He and

**Mark Burkholder** had a great time putting up Christmas lights this year; something they didn't feel comfortable doing in past years. He credits the Harrison West Society, particularly Vice-President Mary Funk, with helping to resolve some of these problems.

### 2000 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

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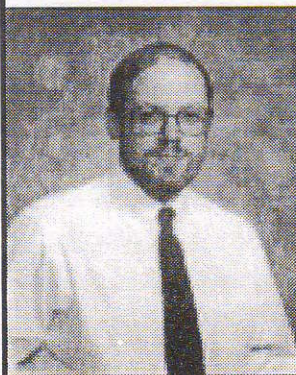
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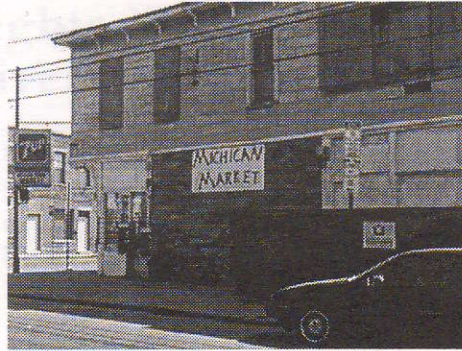


## Michigan Market a Gourmet Coffee and Pastry Shop?

Dean Adamantidis and Jim Sicaras have alerted the Society that now they are planning to rehab part of the Michigan Market into something like the Brown Bag deli in German Village, which is in a neighborhood as congested as our own. The other half of the street-level space would be rented to something such as a dry cleaner. Each of the areas would be about 500 square feet. The coffee/pastry/deli would have a carry-out liquor license and limited seating.

Adamantidis will be at the January 13 Harrison West meeting to discuss his plans.

The Society's concern with the Michigan Market rehab in the past has been the developers' plans for a full-scale family restaurant requiring a code variance because there is not enough parking. The Society has resisted such a venture because of the dismal parking situation already existing in our neighborhood.



Adamantidis and Sicaris want Society Members to approve their plans so that they can apply and get a parking variance for about 10 spaces.

The Board of Zoning Appeal (BZA) wants our recommendations, too.

The Harrison West Society's role in this is to make recommendations and inform our neighborhood. Only the City can make the final decision on the variance application.

The next meeting of the BZA is January 25. It would be advantageous for the neighborhood and our parking situation, if many Harrison Westers were there. Call the BZA's **Dave Reis, 645-7973**, to determine if the case has been placed on the agenda again.

## Food Fight FITNESS PART II — FOOD DO'S AND DON'TS

by Jim Slone and Patrick Barney

Last month we talked about the importance of burning more calories than you consume. This month we'll focus on better eating habits and staying motivated.

First off, realize that temptations surround us. To help you take your first steps into fitness, here is a list of some dietary do's and don'ts:

◆ **DON'T** eat until you're full. Space your calories throughout the day.

◆ **DON'T** lie down after you eat. Resist this temptation and take a leisurely walk to aid digestion.

◆ **DON'T** overconsume alcohol. Too much will block nutrient absorption. (Besides, it's all empty calories!)

◆ **DON'T** feel trapped. If you can't resist, take a sinful bite, but just a bite!

◆ **DO** drink lots of water. Drink at least eight eight-ounce glasses of water a day. This will fill you up and aid in digestion.

◆ **DO** choose low fat, high protein foods. Pile on the turkey and pass on the mashed potatoes and gravy.

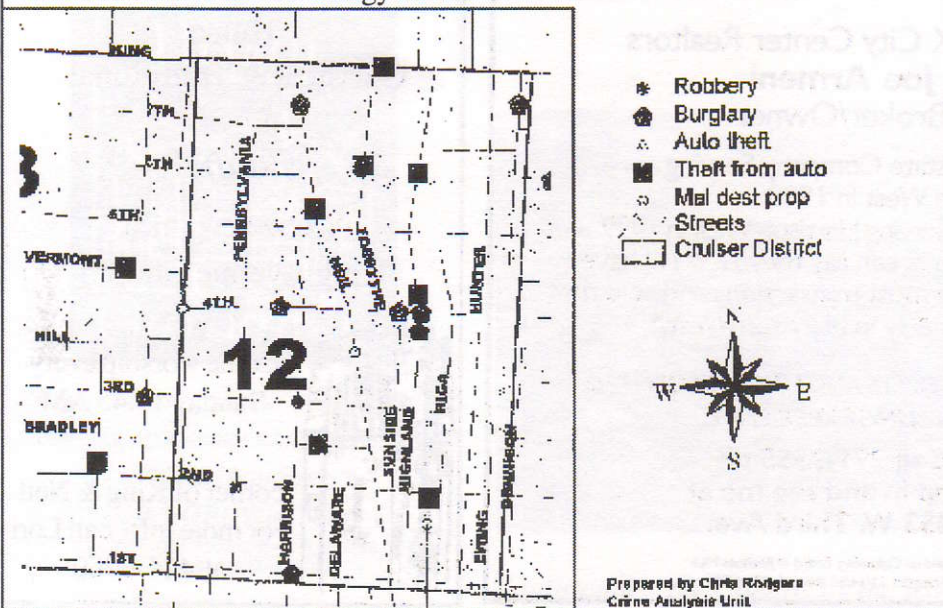
◆ **DO** load up on the veggies. Chances are you don't get enough.

◆ Finally, **DO** have fun! You're on your way to a more healthy and fit you!

These are a few simple rules to use as tools. Remember, just as current weight didn't arrive in a day, neither does fitness. Small changes that you're likely to stay with will lead to bigger changes and form habits leading to a healthy life style. Enjoy the journey!

## NOVEMBER CRIMES

This map covers the 12th and 13th cruiser districts from King to First and Dennison to the Olentangy River.





## Traffic Troika

With an eye toward working out a solution with the new City administration, the Harrison West Society has been meeting with other neighborhood groups to discuss the dispute over traffic and the Spring-Sandusky project as they relate to our neighborhoods.

The Victorian Village Society, the Italian Village Society, the Harrison West Society and other groups in the Near Northside Historic District plan to meet with Mayor Coleman and with City Council to explore ways to move forward.

This opportunity coincides with the federal "Section 106 Memorandum Of Agreement (MOA)" process previously reported in the Harrison West News. The most recent draft MOA, from mid-December, has received poor reviews from the local groups.



## Are You Ready to Talk to HUMKO?

If you have complained about HUMKO's soot or smokestack particulate emissions landing on your car, now's the time to talk personally to them about it. ACHUMKO is hosting a public meeting to present and discuss their Risk Management Program, which is the program they implement to meet Ohio EPA's guidelines about such things as particulate emissions and soot.

HUMKO obviously thinks they are doing things right. Hear what they have to say, and ask them about it. January 10, 7 PM, the HUMKO administration building, 525 W. 1st Ave., 2nd floor.



## Curb Those Trees

The city wants you to place bare trees, twined roping, and natural wreathes at the curb for Rumpke pickup. Seasonal greens with metal in them go in the trash. The city won't pick up trees in 300 gallon containers or from the alley.

## Midtown Parents & Kids School Symposium

The January 15 Symposium offers parents of pre-schoolers an opportunity to talk with parents who already have children enrolled in local private and public schools about the various schools' attributes to determine which schools would work best for their children.

The elementary schools under discussion are Douglas, Duxberry, Fifth Ave., Hubbard, Indianola, Kenwood, Learning Unlimited, Second Ave., and St. Joseph Montessori. All preschool parents and parents of school age children are encouraged to attend. Snow date is January 22.

More than 11150 families from Victorian Village, Italian Village, Harrison West, Dennison Place, Necko, and Weinland Park belong to Midtown Parents & Kids, an organization that supports family living in our historic neighborhoods by offering a variety of ways to meet one another, play, and share information.

The MP&K membership drive is underway. Anyone who knows of a new family or new family member in the area should contact MP&K Director, Sabrina Bobrow, at 297-1152, for a Welcome Gift Bag full of family-friendly coupons.

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## EADIE GOURMET EATS OUT AT BARLEY'S BREWING COMPANY

by Veda Gilp

Barley's, 467 North High next to the North Market, is a good place to meet friends and eat and drink. Nothing fancy, but better food and ambiance than you might expect. I liked it. I think you will, too.

The place is American pubby in that it's lots of exposed wood, noisy, smoky, and serves "hand-crafted British style ales."

The menu offers bar food such as sauerkraut balls, char-grilled wings, and nachos. Good, and different from what you'll find elsewhere.

The real food is much better and more imaginative than you would expect. I tried the Cheddar ale soup, made with smoked and regular cheddar, pepper jack cheese, pale ale, and enough spice to make your tongue take notice.

The pale ale black bean chili is chunky, lots of chili powder, lots of tomatoes and ground beef. Good chili, not too spicy, very filling, and just what you need on a cold Columbus night.

I also had the Turkey nut burger, which tasted much better than it sounds. In fact, the contrast of grilled turkey, spicy mayo, and roasted and griddled pecans made for an excellent sandwich which also wasn't too hard on the cholesterol.

You can also get classic reubens, brats and peppers, grilled portabella, grilled chicken, and a veggie burger, as well as regular burgers and a tuna melt.

The menu says they do pastas, Yorkshire rib steak, Tandoori-style chicken, and salmon cakes, so there's definitely some good food for everyone.

As for desserts, our server told us they don't make them there, so go with the simple apple pie with vanilla ice cream or head over to the North Market to satisfy your sweet tooth

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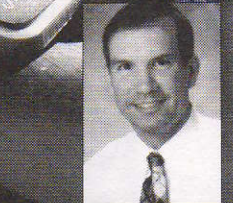
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