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2000 Membership Drive

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2000 Membership Year

Coming Up In May

Elections! At the May 11 meeting, we'll be voting for officers. The Nominating Committee will report at the April 13 meeting on the slate. If you are a member in good standing as of March 1, you are eligible to vote. This is an especially important election, as the Society and the neighborhood is entering a time of new challenges and opportunities. It also looks as if it will be a contested election.

NEXT MEETING

The Harrison West Society will meet Thursday, April 13, 7:30 PM, Godman Guild 321 W. Second Avenue

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HARRISON WEST SOCIETY MINUTES March 9, 2000

Submitted by Secretary Keith Dimoff

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 P.M. at the Godman Guild by HWS President Maddy Weisz. Introductions were made around the table. About twenty people attended.

Friends of the Lower Olentangy Watershed (FLOW) representative Amanda Davey presented an informative ten-minute slide show and answered questions from the audience. FLOW is a citizens organization dedicated to protecting the Olentangy River, including the stretch along Harrison West. FLOW is participating in a tree planting with the City, Battelle and the HWS on Saturday, April 15 at 9 AM near the Fifth Ave. bridge. Keith Dimoff is the HWS contact for the event.

The evening's second presentation, by HWS member Mike Duffy, concerned the southeast corner of Fifth Avenue and Perry Street. He and two other OSU grad students are willing to work with the HWS to develop proposals for the land, in cooperation with Battelle. The audience suggested ideas about: the purpose of the space (a strolling park; a meeting place; a space friendly to Battelle employees and neighbors); the opportunity to tie into nearby landscaping; the budget (maybe additional donations or funding in the future?); cooperation with Battelle (Mike Duffy and Keith Dimoff will talk to Tom McClain of Battelle); time frames (a goal to develop proposals over the next month or two); and public participation (there needs to be a public process).

Liaison Officer Steve Smith reminded people to be cautious of unknown visitors at the door. He told of a con artist operating in the precinct who has stolen money once she gains entry into the house.

A motion was made to approve the last meeting's minutes as printed in the HW

News; Keith Dimoff motioned; Barb Williams seconded; passed.

Treasurer John Cowin distributed copies of the 1999 Treasurer's report. He noted that a gain of just over \$3,000 was posted in 1999 and that the gain is due to newsletter ads; Editor Veda Gilp was thanked for her hard work. Cashin-hand is approximately \$4249.

A motion was made to pay the routine HW News bills; John Cowin motioned; Karla Eldridge seconded; passed.

For the Membership Committee, Maddy Weisz said that a letter to ask the membership to reenroll will be sent soon. The deadline is May 1.

For the Planning & Development Committee, Keith Dimoff noted that there are no recommendations this month since there are no pressing P&D items: the Michigan Market case was resolved last month; there's no new info on the possible city council zoning variance for two lots on Oregon Avenue between Second and Third Avenues; and the relationship with Battelle is ongoing. P&D meetings continue to be held on the Tuesday evening following the monthly HWS meeting.

For the Public Art Committee, Maddy Weisz, Amanda Butler and Karla Eldridge provided an update. The site could be just east of the Third Avenue bridge next to the bike path, depending on ongoing talks with the City and Battelle. News on the Ohio Arts Council grant application should come in June. The City's UIRF program may provide \$25,000 for installation of artwork.

For the Urban Infrastructure Recovery Fund Committee, John Cowin reported that he's received a letter that the City has made tentative decisions on the Year 2000 application.

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HARRISON WEST MINUTES

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As for money from the 1998 UIRF application, approximately \$50,000 will be left after the alley lights are installed. As reported in the HW News and the February meeting, this money can go towards other lighting, such as teardrop lights along major roads.

HWS member Craig Copeland said that some homeowners on Fourth Avenue were interested in decorative post-top lighting, maybe to be paid for by property assessments and UIRF funds. HWS VP Mary Funk is planning talk to some Fourth Avenue residents on strategic planning issues, including street light ideas. Another member suggested lights which don't add to the urban light pollution problem we already face.

On traffic problems from the Spring Sandusky Interchange project, Keith Dimoff provided the dates for the first meetings of the government task forces scheduled to begin soon. Maddy Weisz announced Steve Shinn as the representative to the Design Task Force and Keith Dimoff and David Butler as representatives to the Traffic Task Force. A HWS traffic meeting will be held March 21.

On a related matter, Craig Copeland voiced his concern that the letter dated February 8 on HWS letterhead by Keith Dimoff to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) slandered him and he wanted to be made whole. The letter raised questions about the status of Citizens for a Better Spring Sandusky

(CBSS), an organization that Craig has incorporated with the state. VP Mary Funk was upset that she had not seen the letter before it was sent and worried that she and other members could be personally sued. Keith said it was his fault that Mary had not seen the letter and took responsibility for sending the letter without prior approval of any of the other HWS Officers. Keith offered to build upon recent dialogue with Craig to cooperatively resolve the matter. A motion was made that the HWS send a letter to the FHWA, and to the cc: list, to make clear that: the February 8 letter and its use of the word "fraudulently" did not intend, in any way, to personally slander or libel the three incorporators of CBSS; the February 8 letter did not represent the HWS nor its individual officers nor members; and the HWS retracts any statements that could be taken offense to or be considered slanderous; Mary Funk motioned; Keith Dimoff seconded; passed. The matter will be discussed at the HWS Officer's meeting on March 14.

For the Council of Historic Neighborhoods, Maddy Weisz reported that Veda Gilp attended on behalf of the HWS. An "Old House Fair" was announced.

A motion was made to donate \$102 to the Godman Guild (which is 102 years old); Maddy Weisz motioned; John Cowin seconded; passed.

A motion was made to adjourn the business meeting; Keith Dimoff motioned; John Cowin seconded; passed. The meeting adjourned at 9:20



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The Battelle Rivers and Streams Beautification Team and Harrison West will be planting tree seedlings and landscapesized trees along the

Olentangy River and the bike path by Battelle on Saturday, April 15 starting at 9 am, rain or shine. It is critical that as many people as possible come out because all the trees will be delivered on April 15 regardless of the weather. The trees actually prefer to be planted on a cold rainy day. Whatever the weather, we will be there. We will also pick up litter along the river bank and the bike path as we are planting the trees.

Meet at the Building 19 parking lot by the Fifth Avenue Bridge. BYOS. (Bring your own shovel, planting bar (also known as a dibble) and working gloves.) We will have some extra shovels, planting bars and gloves for those

volunteers that cannot bring their own planting tools.

We will be planting about 500 tree seedlings and about 250 landscape-size trees and shrubs. All of the trees and shrubs are native and include Pawpaw, Dogwood, Redbud, Green Ash, American Sycamore, Box Elder, Swamp White Oak, Black Oak, River Birch, and, of course, Ohio Buckeye.

Family and friends are welcome to participate. We will have some educational information on the tree species that we will be planting for the kids and a small cookout for all volunteers at around 11:30 am. Participants may wish to bring their bicycles to try out the bike path after we are finished with the tree planting and cookout. The tree planting can be a fun event for the entire family. It's spring! Get your hands in the dirt again at the Tree Planting.



This is what it looks like where Harrison West and Battelle will be planing trees on April 15. You can see the bike path needs you! Be there! Saturday, April 15 starting at 9am, rain or shine, behind Building 19, Fifth Avenue at the bridge.

Getting Started with Easy Colorful Perennials

Do you love to garden? Perhaps you're just starting out? Not sure what to do with perennials? Which ones to pick for your particular mix of sun and shade? What colors? Where and how to plant them? How much water do they need etc.? Come to this presentation and get your questions answered.

On Tuesday May 2 at 7:30, at (I am not sure yet) Jane Martin from Ohio State will share her knowledge and love of gardens. Jane is a Horticulture Extension Agent for the Franklin County Extension Office. She also works with the "Master Gardeners' Program" in Franklin County.

Jane will discuss and show slides of 21 different perennials. Bring your friends and neighbors from any of the near north neighborhoods to learn how to make your yards look fabulous! This presentation will be an opportunity to kickoff a group for folks interested in gardening in our neighborhood. Join us. Please call Maddy Weisz at 291-2285 to RSVP.





Battelle 5th & Perry Park Fix Up On Track

Members of the Harrison West Society and Tom McClain, Vice President of Corporate Communications for Battelle Memorial Institute, are discussing the land improvement project at the corner of 5th Avenue and Perry Street. The over-arching goal of the project is to enhance the site as a community and Battelle employee gathering place by improving its physical character.

Maddy Weisz, Brian Forschner, and Patrick Duchene met with Mr. McClain to brainstorm ideas and outline a strategy for the project. The group decided that the next step should be gathering information from the community and Battelle employees on what they would like at the site.

Battelle has pledged \$5,000 to the HWS to develop the site, and three OSU graduate students, Mike Duffy, Brian Forschner, and Patrick Duchene have volunteered to coordinate the project. If you would like to comment on the project, please forward your message to Mike Duffy (297-1070/duffy.73@osu.edu) or any HWS officer, or plan on attending the next Harrison West

Crime Stats

February crime in Harrison West was down from January. Only six reported incidents, most of them theft from autos. Liaison Officer Steve Smith reminds people to be cautious of unknown visitors at the door. He is warning of a con artist operating in the precinct who has stolen money once she gains entry into the house.

Open Minds & Fresh Ideas Wanted

What: Traffic Taskforce Meeting Where: Westminster Thurber When: 5:30 PM, May 3

Why: solve our traffic problems Who: city government and you

This is the last chance for our neighborhood to positively affect future traffic flow through our neighborhood. We have a new Mayor and new Service Director. Now it's time to get new thinking into the situation. This is our

The new legislation requires such construction to be registered with the department instead; there's no fee for registration. Plus, this change makes it easier for everyone to do standard home maintenance by eliminating bureaucratic red tape.

The Council of Historic Neighborhoods has been working closely with the Department of Trade and Development to create legislation that will be beneficial to consumers and historic neighborhoods. The Council voted to approve the legislation at its last meeting.



opportunity to bring city money into the neighborhood in our fight to keep traffic from cutting through. Come to the meeting. You owe it to your property values.

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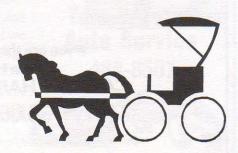
If everything goes well, soon you could be relieved of the necessity of getting a \$75 building permit and inconvenient inspections when you want to build a deck, reroof, add siding, or replace windows.

The Department of Trade and Development is very close to the final draft of the "registry legislation" for a building code change for decks, roofs, siding, and windows.

Northwood Park Home & Garden Tour

The first home tour ever of the 1920s and 1930s houses of Northwood Park takes place Sunday May 7 from noon to 5 PM. Tour 11 houses, 3 gardens and 2 churches on E. Northwood, E. Oakland, and E. Blake Avenues. Tickets are \$6 and can be purchased the day of the tour in front of the Holy Name Family Center at 155 E. Patterson Avenue. Parking is free at the church parking lot.

For more info, call Jan Pettibone at 297-1114.



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Traffic Update

Todd Law

Secretary, Victorian Village Society and The Traffic Committee

The last two traffic meetings, March 5th and 19th, helped lay the foundation for any future legal action over SSI. On the 5th, it was decided that we would allow Andrea Forrester to prepare our response to the documents given to us by the various government agencies as part of the 4F process, but to appropriate only \$3000 toward her work initially. On the 19th, we received the finished document even though we haven't gotten the final bill.

The first meeting of the city's new traffic and design task forces is right around the corner, so much time was spent clarifying the roles of the parties involved.

The neighborhood societies have designated the people they wish to represent them at these task force meetings.

On the Traffic task force Stan Sells will represent FGP, David Betz and Craig Huish represent IV, and Keith Dimoff and David Butler represent HW.

On the Design task force Kent Mills will represent FGP, Steve Shinn will represent HW, and A Commissioner to be Named Later will represent IV. Suzanne Escovitz has said she will do one or the other for DP, but has yet to finalize her choice pending a volunteer for the remaining task force.

VV has decided that they are not going to have specific individuals assigned at this time. They feel that, especially in the early stages of these task forces, they should encourage as many people as possible to attend these meeting so that everyone becomes familiar with how they will operate and what they will try to do.

Clarification of the role of ČBSS in this process was discussed at length and we agreed to settle the question of what CBSS is and whom they represent. The Committee agreed CBSS has

been invaluable in this process and wishes for their continued help, but CBSS will have to sign an agreement with all of the neighborhood societies stating that they do not represent them and will not hold them responsible for any unpaid legal bills without permission. Now that the City has officially invited all of the parties to have a seat at the table, it was felt that these clarifications were needed to settle who is representing who when it is time for the votes to be counted.

Andy Klein sent a letter to Linda Page, Director of Public Services; Mayor Michael Coleman; and Councilwoman Maryellen O'Shaughnessy stating our agenda for the get acquainted meeting held on the 16th. The agenda focused on four main topics:

- 1) Creation of a New Designation for Residential Arterial Streets
- 2) Affirmation of Our Mutual Commitment to the MOA Process
- 3) Selection of an Independent Traffic Expert to Map our Course
- 4) Protection of Our Most Historic Resource: Goodale Park

The people who attended that meeting felt that it was helpful in starting our relationship with the new administration on the right foot, as well as making them aware of our concerns.

The next Traffic meeting will be held at 5:00 PM on 4/2/00 at Suzanne's house and we will be discussing the following agenda items:

- 1) The results of the first traffic task force meeting
- 2) Preparation for the first design task force meeting
- 3) CBSS's new agreements with the neighborhood societies.



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EADIE GOURMET EATS OUT AT OUT ON MAIN

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I remembered something I got off the web about good meat being your best dining value, and bypassed the double spaghetti; the linguini grillo with spinach, calamata olives and capicolla ham; the ocean harvest pasta; the diamond head rice cakes with pineapple cashew sauce; and went right for the Filet Rouquefort. This is tenderloin stuffed with Rouquefort cheese, wrapped in bacon, served with plum tomato salad on watercress, and fondant potatoes in cabernet sauce. The tenderloin was cooked perfectly, and when I cut into it, the Rouquefort oozed out pungently. Even the bacon wrapping was perfect. A standout entre anywhere.

The bread service was great the night we were there -- a crispy roll with a delicate interior. We asked for another basket and emptied that.

Having eaten our entrees like good children, we were allowed dessert. (You knew I'd get to dessert, didn't you?) Next time, I'll save more room. My neighbor allowed me a bite of her cranberry apple spice cake, but only a bite. It was very little cake and lots of cranberries, apples, and spice served cold with whipped cream. Very good.

The ginger brulee was the best brulee I've ever had, but then I'm partial to ginger. The very accommodating server told us they infuse fresh ginger into the milk. However they do it, the ginger gives this rich custard an exotic taste that lingers in the taste buds.

Here's the real reason you go to Out on Main -- the chocolate. I had the dark chocolate mousse. My notes say "rich to the max, smooth, dense and intense." Chocolate exalted. There's also the chocolate rose mini torte, which is super rich chocolate cake filled with raspberry and covered with chocolate ganache. Don't offer to share. Trust me, you'll want either or both of these all to yourself.

Out on Main is open for a very elegant Sunday a la carte brunch. Call for details 224-9510.

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Newsletter Ads	\$6,680.00
Membership Fees	\$1,110.00
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Art Donations	\$ 500.00
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EXPENDITURES:

Newsletter Printing	\$3,728.38
Garage Sale	\$ 167.61
Art Project	\$ 49.50
Holiday Party	\$ 238.46
T-Shirts	\$1,636.95
Miscellaneous	\$ 171.20
	\$5,992.10

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Eadie Gourmet Eats Out at Out on Main

by Veda Gilp

A recent dinner at Out on Main, 122 E. Main Street downtown, was stupendous! Outstanding! Delicious! If you're getting the idea we liked the food and the service, you're right. This is a wonderful dining experience.

Appetizers vary, but someone at the table behind me was moaning in delight at their serving of Escargot A La Maison. The menu also notes a grilled and roasted oyster mushroom, smoked turkey cakes, and Alaskan smoked salmon with creme fraiche.

The salads are standouts in a city that generally does a good job with the green stuff. By all means, try the Out on Main Salad, which is Asiago cheese, shredded beets, chopped tomatoes, and assorted lettuces with a sweet sour dressing. Wonderful. One of our party insisted on the Classical Caesar, which I am having the next time I go. She pronounced hers the best she's had in years, and I liked it too. Not too much cheese, lots of garlic, and a tantalizing hint of anchovy.

The house soup is sweet potato bisque. This soup fills the mouth softly. Carrot, sweet potato, chicken broth, and hint of bacon creamed and smoothed together. It's worth the trip.

Keep reading. After the entrees, I'm getting to one of the best desserts in the city and the reason you should go to Out on Main as soon as you finish this.

My dining companions ordered crab cakes and julienne sweet peas. Lots of real crab and very little filler, floating on a creamy dijon sauce; so tender they just barely held their shape. The peas were crisp with the snap left in.

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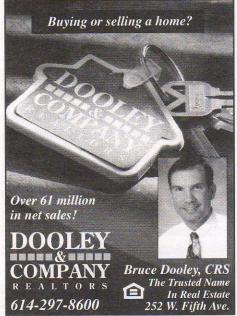
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