

HARRISON ESTIVEWS

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River and Bike Path Cleanup October 21

The Fall Cleanup Project along the Olentangy River from King to Third will run from 9 am to 11:30 am. The Harrison West Society, Friends of the Olentangy Watershed, and the University District will participate and cosponsor with Battelle.

Three activities are planned:

- 1. Litter cleanup.
- 2. Weeding along the bike path.
- 3. Informal tree survey and identification.

Janice Fry will present educational information for the kids on the native Ohio trees we planted last Spring. Those volunteers interested in the tree identification part of the project should bring any field guide or tree identification books they have.

The central meeting location will be on the south side of Fifth Avenue, just east of the Fifth Avenue Bridge over the Olentangy River. If you have questions, please contact Harrison West Society President Keith Dimoff at 424-6798 (kdimoff@aol.com).



Kids Art Day in Harrison West Park October 14

You are invited to Kids Art Day, a free community event hosted by the public art committee of the Harrison West Society and BrickStreet Arts Association. This fun activity

will take place in Harrison West Park, West Fourth Avenue between Michigan and Oregon Avenues, on Saturday, October 14, 11 a.m. to 2 P.M. Please come at any point during the hours mentioned, and dress for the weather.

Kids of all ages are welcome. Each child will take home his or her own handmade art project, and kidfriendly snacks will be provided. This is a great opportunity to enjoy the beauty of the fall season, and to make new friends.

This event is being held in conjunction with the Harrison West SIDE-by-SIDE public art initiative. Two stainless steel sculptures depicting community scenes are scheduled to grace the edge of the Olentangy Trail near the Third Avenue Bridge in 2001.

Artist Charlotte Lees will be in attendance to assist kids with their creations, and to discuss her SIDE-by-SIDE design. Project models will be on display. This activity was made possible through Ohio Arts Council grant funding.

For more information, or to RSVP (if possible, but not necessary), please contact Maddy Weisz at 291-2285 or Amanda Butler at 421-7157.

In the case of rain, the event will be held at the Fourth Avenue Christian Church, 296 W. Fourth Ave., at the corner of Fourth and Neil Avenues.

We hope to see you there!

Next Meeting:

- **Ourban Zoning**
- Holiday PotluckPlanning
- Holiday Lights
- **ULuminarias**
- Humko Update

Fun things coming up at the October 12 meeting. Even the Committee Reports are interesting! Casual dress. Meet your neighbors. Bring your own refreshments. Finished by 9. October 12, 7:30, Godman Guild, 321 W. Second.

NEXT MEETING

The Harrison West Society will meet Thursday, October 12 7:30 PM Godman Guild 321 W. Second Avenue

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HARRISON WEST SOCIETY MINUTES September 14, 2000

Submitted by Karla Elridge, Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 7:33 PM at the Godman Guild by President Keith Dimoff. A quorum was present, with 29 people in attendance, and over 20 voting members. An agenda and a sign in sheet were circulated. Attendees introduced themselves and told their birth month.

Dick Ritchie and Dave Hall from Trade and Development were present to speak on the downzoning and the Urban Commercial Zoning Overlay process. They distributed a bulletin describing the zoning change process. They acknowledge the important work already completed by Mary Funk and Rob Harris that will "jump-start" the process. Notifications will be mailed prior to public hearings on rezoning the neighborhood to R-2 from its current zoning of R-4. Rezoning would affect only vacant lots or property damaged over 50%, or change in use if property is not currently in compliance. We discussed the timeline and schedule of the process. Once the process is complete, property owners will still have all the options available for variances in rezoning, appeals, etc. Rob and Mary will continue to be the HW liaisons for this process, and they can be contacted with questions or to volunteer to help.

Keith led the discussion on routine business. Pastor Morris motioned that the minutes of the previous meeting, as printed in the August newsletter, be approved. Passed without objection.

Treasurer John Cowin reported cash-in-hand as approximately \$5,360. A motion was made to pay the routine HW News bills; Veda Gilp motioned. Passed without objection.

The Planning and Development Committee report was given by Keith Dimoff. Keith met with Battelle community liaison Tom McClain to discuss landscaping plans, sidewalk repair on Third, and dying trees along the river. Their sidewalk repairs are underway, along Third. Keith informed Battelle of HW activities, i.e. rezoning, overlay, monitoring the AC Humko closing. There will be discussions with Battelle during their upcoming internal budget process.

Mike Duffy and Brian Forschner gave another presentation of the proposed project plan for the Fifth & Perry Greenspace, including budget estimates. They reviewed the history of this project. Then they discussed the voting by HW Society attendees during the previous meetings and the materials suggested for the paths and benches. Some questions and comments and further suggestions were made. They will meet with McClain from Battelle about the budget and the cost of materials.

On other P&D business, Keith passed around copies of the letter written from HW to the City of Columbus regarding the AC Humko closing. Their real estate coordinator will be in town soon, and we will monitor any progress made.

The Public Art Committee report was given by Amanda Butler. The Ohio Arts Council grant was \$12,911. They submitted a proposal to the Columbus Foundation requesting \$30,000. On Saturday, Oct. 14 in the HW Park, there will be an "Art Day" for children with artist Charlotte Lees and others. There will be food and art projects. Invitations will be mailed to HW'ers, and nonresident children are also invited. Call Maddy Weisz or Amanda Butler for more information.

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HARRISON WEST MINUTES

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On the topic of the HWS Constitution & By-Laws, Keith Dimoff reviewed the motion passed in April to form a committee to review certain sections of the Constitution and reported that progress is being made. Please call Keith (424-6798) with input.

For the HW News, Veda Gilp announced the deadline and solicited opinions.

On the topic of traffic, Keith Dimoff reported that the national consultant was supportive of some of the neighborhood suggestions to alleviate the impact of the Spring-Sandusky Interchange traffic. These included items such as directional signs, arches, and gateway structures. There is much more work to be done and monthly meetings continue. Keith and David Butler serve on the task force.

On the topic of Membership, Mark Hamsher reported that we currently have 113 paid memberships, including two new members who signed up during September's meeting.

On the topic of the Yard Sale, the official date of the neighborhood sale was corrected to be Saturday, Sept. 16, from 9:00 am. to 2:00. Flyers were sent out as reminders.

Under New Business, John Cowin reported that Urban Infrastructure Recovery grant money will be available soon. Residents should quickly think of what additions are needed in the neighborhood. John Cowin gave a brief history of previous uses for the money. Ideas will be printed in the newsletter. The proposal for these funds is due to the city in December.

We also had a discussion of the process to report possible code violations of homes in the neighborhoods, and whether or not such complaints should be done individually or under the HW Society's strength. Most code violations should be given to the Mayor's Action line (645-CITY) or the city code office (645-2489).

The Holiday Potluck date was discussed. No decisions were made on either the location or date, so if you have input you have time.

The Godman Guild is moving their main services to another neighborhood in need of childcare services. Thus there will be a meeting Sept. 28th, 7 P.M. on the future use of and maintenance of the building. It was agreed that the loss of the Godman Guild, while not exactly in

the HW boundaries, will have a negative effect on the area. Should you have any ideas for ongoing uses for the building that will interest the Godman Guild, please contact them or Keith.

We discussed the emergence of graffiti in our neighborhood. The responsibility for removal depends on the area being affected. For example, the County is responsible for the bridge area. Also we noted the missing swings in the HW Park. Also - Kudos to those that helped with the weeding in the park.

On the topic of Old Business, Keith reported that Harrison West did not get selected for the fall Neighborhood Pride clean up program from the city, but we are likely to be selected in the spring, 2001. This is actually preferred by most of us for our clean up, trash pick up time.

Announcements were made for several upcoming events.

A motion was made to adjourn; passed without objection. The meeting adjourned at 9 P.M.



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Neighborhood Town Meeting with Police Chief Jackson October 25

The Division of Police is sponsoring a Neighborhood Town Meeting for our part of the city at Indianola Middle School, 420 E. 19th Avenue, at 7 PM October 25.

Lieutenants, Sergeants, and Community Liaison Officers from Zone 4 will join the Division's Deputy Chiefs, Division Commanders and chief James Jackson in an open public forum to express our concerns and answer our questions about the policing of our neighborhood.

Attend if you can. It's a wonderful opportunity to make your voice heard!

Women Can Defend Themselves: IMPACT Personal Safety Training for Women

The next IMPACT Safety Program Personal safety course for women will take place on November 3,4,5. IMPACT courses offer women the ability to learn to defend themselves. FBI statistics show that 50% of the time, if a woman resists in any determined fashion, including a strong "NO", she can successfully break off the attack. This course is self-defense and empowerment training for women. Call Julie Harmon at 238-0450 for more information.

2nd Annual Multi-Neighborhood Crime and Safety Summit

The Second Annual Near Northside, Multi-Neighborhood Crime and Safety Summit has been set for Thursday, October 26th beginning at 6:00 PM at the Goodale Park Shelter House.

This event, which was very well received and attended last year, will once again focus on crime trends and crime prevention in our neighborhoods. Columbus Division of Police Officers will be on hand to educate as well as answer any questions about crime and crime prevention where we live. Safety issues have been added to the evening of events this year which will bring representatives from the Lead Testing Unit at the Columbus Health Department to do on-site lead screening for children ages 6 months to 6 years. This important testing will be FREE during this event. All parents living in older houses are encouraged to bring their children to this event for this free screening.

There will also be a presentation to educate neighbors about potential lead paint in our houses. Finally, a presentation discussing safe handling and disposal of Household Hazardous Wastes will be provided.

The beginning of the evening will include a free grill-out dinner provided by the Victorian Village Society. Topic discussions and various presentations will provide something for everyone in attendance.

Please plan to attend this special evening event and understand the types of crime occurring in our neighborhoods as well as learn specific ways to reduce crime and its impact in our neighborhoods. Added to the evening agenda this year as well are a few wonderful opportunities to learn of important safety issues. Free dinner, free lead screening for our kids, and free information - all for you just for showing up beginning at 6:00 PM at the Goodale Park Shelter House on Thursday, October 26th. Please call 228-2912 for more information and/or questions - see you on the 26th!

Thieves Step Up Stealing

August just wasn't a good month for Harrison West residents who wanted to hang on to their possessions. Sixteen homes were burgled, robbed, or had a car stolen in August. As Police Liaison Officer Steve Smith has mentioned, these crimes are crimes of opportunity. Don't make it easy for criminals! Burglary prevention goes beyond good locks and household security. It includes being a good neighbor and reporting any suspicious activity, person or vehicle to the police. Neighborhood security requires neighborhood cooperation.



Traffic Task Force Update

The Spring-Sandusky Traffic Task Force continues its monthly meetings with representatives from the city, state and federal governments and from nearby neighborhoods.

The Near Northside Historic District neighborhoods groups providing representatives to the task force include the Harrison West Society, the Victorian Village Society, Citizens for a Better Spring Sandusky, Friends of Goodale Park, the Dennison Place Association and the Italian Village Society.

Many specific traffic management ideas which could affect Harrison West are being discussed. Would you like to see the future intersection of Michigan and Goodale be redesigned to discourage cutthrough traffic? How about changes to the traffic signals and signs along Olentangy River Road at Third and Fifth Avenues? Would brick crosswalks along Third slow traffic down?

If you have questions or suggestions, please contact HWS task force representatives David Butler at 421-7157 (dbutler4@columbus.rr.com) or Keith Dimoff at 424-6798 (kdimoff@aol.com).

Thanks to City Planners AREA REZONING

At the September 14 Harrison West Society meeting, two city representatives spoke on the area rezoning process. Dick Ritchie, Neighborhood Planning Manager, and planner Dave Hall work for the Department of Trade and Development's Economic Development and Planning Services Section.

They answered questions on the proposed change in zoning in Harrison West from a R-4 to a R-2F classification. Their office is a co-applicant with the HWS on the rezoning.

If you have any questions on the rezoning, please contact HWS Vice President Mary Funk at 291-9545.

Ask Your Questions About Harrison West Urban Zoning Overlay at October 12 Meeting

Representatives from the city's Department of Trade and Development will attend the October 12 HWS meeting to answer questions about a commercial zoning overlay for Harrison West. Also, an Open House on the topic is tentatively scheduled for the evening of November 9.





Humko to Meet HW Neighbors

The AC Humko executive responsible for the future of the thirteen and a half acre manufacturing site will meet with representatives of the Harrison West Society on October 25.

The Memphis, Tennessee-based corporation has announced the closing of the old margarine plant located at First and Perry. In a September 8 letter, the HWS asked the company for such a meeting. Humko has politely obliged.

Also at the urging of the HWS, the city has held talks with the company about the city's Riverfront Vision Plan and the city's interest in future development. The plan calls for "new urbanism" redevelopment of the site and adjacent lots to include a mix of residential, retail and office uses along with riverfront parkland.

For more information, contact HWS President Keith Dimoff at 424-6798 (kdimoff@aol.com).

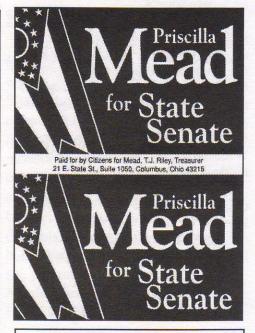
City UIRF \$\$\$ Available

It's UIRF time. Each year the Harrison West Society has applied for funding for capital improvements from the City's Urban Infrastructure Recovery Fund.

In past years, the neighborhood has been budgeted money for park improvements, alley and street lights, riverfront land acquisition, and the public art project.

The Society will be developing this year's application soon. Contact HWS Treasurer John Cowin at 291-7063 if you have ideas or questions.







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Eadie Gourmet Eats Out at Skyliner Diner

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For something different, try the Grilled Pizza Bread Salad, which is fresh grilled pizza bread topped with mixed lettuces and sauteed chicken, onions, mushroom, zucchini, tomato, red potatoes, and peppers with garlic, fresh basil, and balsamic vinegarette. The lettuces are cold, the vegetables are hot and steaming. It's piled high. Said the gentleman next to me who was eating it, "Pretty good." He ate it all.

Somebody try the PoBoy and tell me what you think. If you have to ask what it is, better leave it for someone else.

Breakfast at Starliner Diner has them lined up out into the parking lot. Huevos Rancheros are 2 eggs on com tortillas stuffed with jack cheese and cilantro (fresh!), covered with spicy ranchero sauce (you can taste the chilies), served with either black beans or homefries. Trust me — homefries. Real potatoes, crispy from just long enough on the grill. Did I mention toasted Cuban bread? Thick sliced peasant bread, but you have to ask for butter.

Of course, they do eggs and pancakes, and a breakfast burrito. Chorizo sausage is available with any breakfast order.

They also do Chiliquiles, which is 2 eggs scrambled with peppers, onions, corn, zucchini, tortilla chips, tossed with smoked chili cream sauce, jack cheese and cilantro, served with black beans. I don't know why they serve tasteless black beans with everything when they have boxes and boxes of plantains sitting in the waiting area. As Ricky always said to Lucy, they've got "some splaining todo!"

There still was a line out the door when we finished, so we opted for ice cream from Brusters. That's another review, but you know my ice cream included chocolate!

Midtown Parents & Kids Offers Childcare Pool

Midtown Parents & Kids (MP&K) has created a program to help young families get childcare and local collegians to get part-time work.

Interested college students can list their services with MP&K at 297-1152. MP&K parents can call the students as their needs arise after the list is compiled. Students should be prepared to respond to questions about experience, references and logistics, just as they would when applying for any job.

As the collegian's schedule changes from quarter to quarter, flexible, fun, local work will always be available, and our neighborhood will be further enriched because of the interaction between the college students and our families.

The Short North neighborhoods are lucky to be within walking distance of OSU and to have the South Residential Free Campus Loop bus service. If you have collegiate neighbors, please encourage them to sign up if they enjoy working with kids.

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Now that the Godman Guild is moving to East 6th Avenue, they are studying the best financial options for use of 321 West Second Avenue.

They are collecting information and want any input you may have. They are hosting a neighborhood meeting to discuss community needs and resource options on Thursday, October 26 at 7 PM at the Godman Guild. Please call ahead (294-5476) to reserve a seat. Now is the time to voice your opinion!

HARRISON WEST SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP SIGN ME UP!

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2000 Membership Year

Eadie Gourmet Eats Out at Skyliner Diner

by Veda Gilp

Cuban Fusion. Huevos Rancheros and Media Noche. Chicken Fingers with fries and Grilled Pizza Bread Salad. That's Skyliner Diner on Cemetery Road just west of I-270.

Totally tacky decor, as if a few boxes of 50s stuff your parents couldn't wait to be rid of collided with a small storage unit of 60s and 70s stuff they thought was too good to throw away. It does, however, have a certain energy. Look for Clint Eastwood's scowl under the blue and gold dragon globe in the corner.

OK, now food. Unfortunately, we were there on a bad night. We actually heard someone say that the ultimate Cuban sandwich, the Media Noche, which is ham, pork, cheese, Cuban bread, and sauce, was pre-made! It might take you a trip or two to discover Starliner Diner's best efforts.

I ordered the special walleye on roasted vegetables with black beans and rice. Walleye was excellent, dredged in cornmeal and delicately cooked. The roasted vegetables were a mind-bending mix of oriental (snow peas) and ordinary (carrots and onions) but it was delicious! Which cannot be said of the rice and beans. These were plate fillers. No seasoning, and the beans tasted canned. Ask to skip the blands and go for a heaping helping of crispy fried plantains with a side of smoked chile sauce.

Pizza Cubana is good, but you must ask for more sauce than they normally apply. Trust me on this. It's smoked chili sauce, Cuban chicken (Friday night Cuban chicken seemed to be just plain poached), zucchini, red onion, tomato, mushroom, corn, garlic, herbs. Thin crust. Exotic taste.

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