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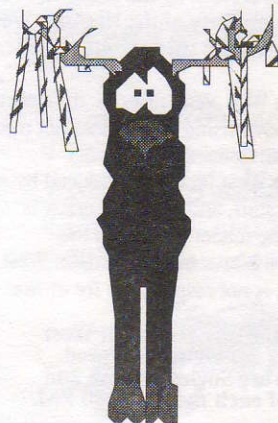
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BYOB

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Harrison West Holiday Lights Contest

Once again it's time to hang those lights and deck your house for the 5th Annual Harrison West Holiday Lights Contest. Make sure your lights are turned on and your decorations are up by December 14. The judges will be out that weekend, choosing the best decorations in Harrison West.

Judges will select winners for Traditional, Most Exuberant, and Elegantly Victorian. The Traditional Category is lights and decorations. The Most Exuberant category is MAJOR WATTAGE!! The Elegantly Victorian category shows a strong sense of Victorian design and decoration.

Winners will be featured in the January HW News.



Next
Meeting:
Holiday Potluck
Good Food
Fun People
Great Time

At the December 13 meeting, we'll forget about work for an evening and just enjoy our neighbors and their holiday cooking. It should be a great time. See you there!



NEXT MEETING

The Harrison West
Society will meet
Thursday, December
13 at 6:30 PM
452 Vermont Place

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HARRISON WEST SOCIETY MINUTES

November 8, 2001

By Veda Gilp, Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM with a quorum of voting members present; President Keith Dimoff presiding.

Routine Business

Veda Gilp made a motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Passed.

Treasurer's Report Tom Maxwell reported that the Treasury balance is \$5,314.91 and gave details on income and disbursements. Veda Gilp made a motion to make it policy to pay the recurring newsletter expenses, rather than make a motion every month. Passed.

Planning and Development:

Committee Meeting Keith Dimoff scheduled a P&D committee meeting and asked for members interested in serving on the Committee to attend.

Variance Request for 1004-6 Oregon Avenue Dave Butler made a motion to oppose the original or revised variance request at the November BZA hearing. Passed. Dave Butler made a motion authorizing the P&D Committee to work with Brian Portez before the January meeting to negotiate variances and design we all can support. Passed.

HW Long Range Planning and Development Document Pastor Richard Morris made a motion to adopt the recommended document as presented by the P&D committee. Passed.

Old Business and Committee Reports:

Membership Committee Chair Mark Hamsher reported that membership now exceeds 100. Tom Maxwell made a motion for the Treasurer to budget for Membership Renewal mailing expenses. Passed.

Newsletter Editor Veda Gilp reported the deadline for news and advertising submissions is the third Friday of each month. Reported that the De-

cember issue would carry a State Farm insert. Also asked for input from members for articles.

Crime Mary Funk reported that Police Liaison Officer Steve Smith would not be back from leave until after the new year.

Holiday Potluck Dave Butler, reported for Chair Mandy Butler that the potluck will take place at 452 Vermont Place. Gilp made a motion to make \$250 available for potluck expenses. Passed.

Mayor's Downtown Business Plan Keith Dimoff encouraged members to attend this important meeting.

Donations Tom Maxwell made a motion to give \$200 to the Third Avenue Fire Station for their Needy Children charitable activities. Passed. Tom Maxwell made a motion to give the Godman Guild \$100 in recognition of their support for the Harrison West Society. Passed.

Harrison West Brochure Barb Kobee reported that she has created an initial design and requested guidance and information about content.

New Business & Announcements:

The Mayor's "Stay Alive -- Drive 25" signs and campaign were discussed. Mary Funk made a motion to donate \$500 to co-purchase the "Stay Alive - Drive 25" signs. Passed.

Keith Dimoff reported on the oil leaks from the AC Humko tanks.

Veda Gilp reminded members of the upcoming Holiday Lights Contest.

Mary Funk made a motion to make the Columbus Marathon Party an annual event. Passed.

Pastor Morris made a motion motioned to adjourn the business meeting at 9:00 P.M. Passed.

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Thursday of each month, 7:30 PM.

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make your neighborhood better. You get to belong to an organization that's helping make Harrison West one of the safest and best neighborhoods in the City. And you get to belong to an

organization that throws a really good party. (That's the Holiday Potluck on December 13.) Watch the *Harrison West News* for other good reasons to join the Harrison West Society.



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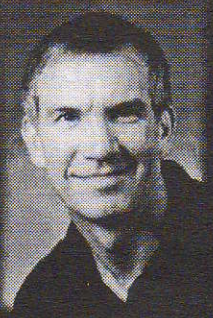
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New Long Range Planning & Development Document Accepted

The following is the official Harrison West Society planning document adopted by the Society at the meeting on November 8, 2001. It sets forth the goals of the neighborhood for future development, renovation, parkland, and traffic and parking.

Article VII. D. of the Harrison West Society Constitution and By-Laws reads:

"The Planning and Development Committee shall develop and maintain a long range document that meets the objectives of the Society and can be used to represent the Society's goals and planning process and to review proposed projects, zoning changes/variances and report/recommend appropriate action by the Society."

In order to fulfill this Article, the Harrison West Society has adopted this Long Range Planning & Development Document for the Harrison West Society:

For the southwestern "industrial" areas of Harrison West, including the AC Humko site, we support the following principles: There

should be no manufacturing, no riverfront development, and no big-box development. There should be new parkland and green space with ecological and recreational value. Any redevelopment should use mixed-use, new urbanism design that is architecturally compatible with Harrison West. Factory buildings with historic value should be preserved and reused.

- New residential in-fill development should follow the R-2F zoning.
- New commercial developments should conform to the urban commercial overlay.
- New residential and commercial in-fill development should be architecturally compatible with the neighborhood.
- We oppose new curb cuts.
- We support historic preservation and rehab instead of demolition.

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re-building the Third Avenue streetscape

more parkland, especially along the river at Humko and Battelle

traffic calming: no truck routes, lower speed limits, design streets for lower speeds

- A variance (e.g., windows, garages, size and scale, parking) at the Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) will be opposed unless it fits architecturally with the neighborhood.

- Parking variances will generally be opposed but can be supported if the building will fit architecturally with the neighborhood.

- New public infrastructure should be architecturally compatible (such as the Third Avenue Bridge).

- We support traffic calming that includes no truck routes, lower speed limits and design speeds, and traffic calming fixtures that are aesthetically compatible and increase pedestrian safety.

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- We support the rebuilding of the streetscape along Third Avenue (such as has been done in the Linden area).
- We appreciate the street trees and want them to be maintained and replaced as necessary.
- We embrace the Olentangy River as our western border and support the planting of trees and the cleanup of pollution and litter. Sewer overflows in Harrison West into the Olentangy River should be stopped.
- We support good maintenance of the HW Park at Fourth and Oregon and the acquisition of more parkland, especially along the river at Humko and Battelle.
- We support the agreement with Battelle on the parking lot design

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**Issues to
address:
AC Humko,
577-585
West Second
Avenue,
vacant
parcels,
Outland Bar,
Broad Street
Management
properties,
parking**

- and the permanent Fourth Avenue access path across Battelle's land.
- We support the principles of the Riverfront Vision Plan and its Handbook
- We support lighting fixtures that are designed to be consistent with the history of Harrison West.
- The following issues and properties should be addressed in a Harrison West Neighborhood / Area Plan:
 - o * The A.C. Humko site and its parking lots; (*Priority: The A.C. Humko site needs to be addressed immediately while the remainder of the plan can be addressed with less urgency.)
 - o The commercial parcel at 577-585 West Second Avenue;
 - o The Outland Bar at 1026 Perry Street and its parking lots on Perry Street and Oregon Avenue;
 - o The Central Beverage Group warehouse;
 - o The various businesses and vacant parcels south of First

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Avenue and west of Michigan Avenue, including the historic Bunn-Minnick Pipe Organs building, vacant and developed parcels, and a few riverfront parcels;

oHeartland Victorian Village nursing home at 920 Thurber Drive West;

oThe Battelle land between Third Avenue and Fifth Avenue, west of Perry Street;

oThe apartments north of Third Avenue and east of Michigan, which are currently owned by Broad Street Management and may be acquired by Campus Partners;

oVacant residential and commercial parcels within Harrison West;

oSewer renovation (Third Avenue and others);

oConsistency with the City's Riverfront Vision Plan and Handbook; and

oParking and traffic.



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BZA Tables 1004-1006 Oregon Variance Request

The City's Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA) on November 27 at the regular meeting heard the request for zoning variances from the owners of 1004-1006 Oregon Avenue. The BZA tabled the request. A revised plan is expected to be presented at the February BZA meeting.

Dooley & Co., Realtors, Award Winners

The winners in the 2001 OAR REALTOR Promotion and Advertising Contest were recently announced, and neighborhood realtor Dooley & Co. won First Place for medium firms for business cards and stationery and for print advertising. Congratulations Dooley and Company.

Coming Up in Harrison West

December 10

Time to pay your 2002 Harrison West Membership Dues

December 12

Friends of Goodale Park Annual Holiday Gala

December 13

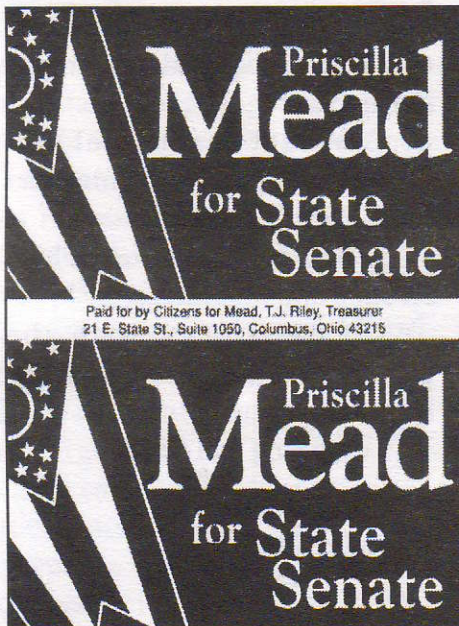
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December 15

Holiday Lights Contest Judging

January 1, 2002

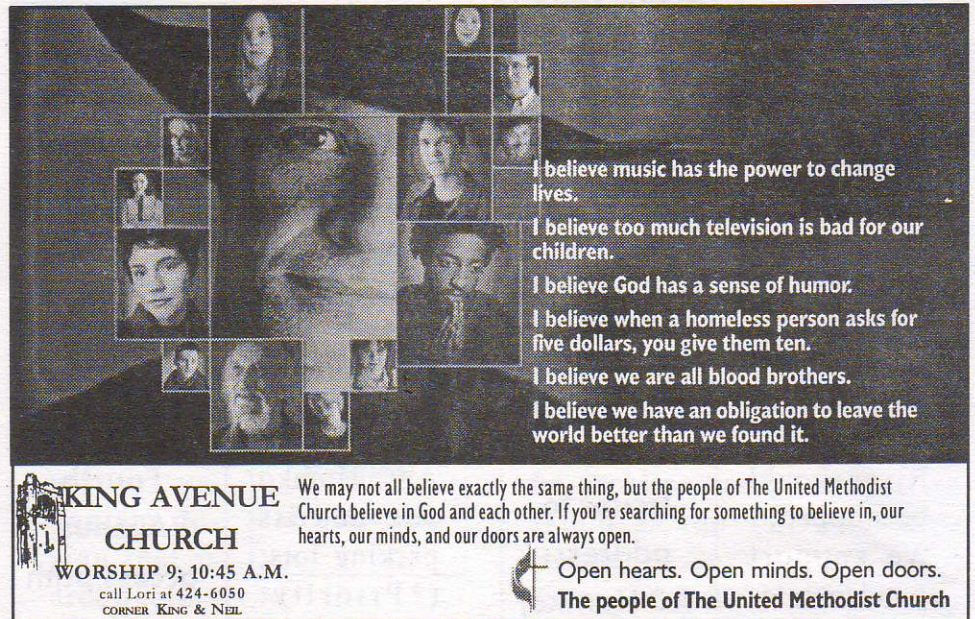
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Eadie Gourmet Eats Out at China Dynasty

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Every time I've visited the buffet, they have crispy duck, which is twice-cooked duckling, marinated, steamed and fried, sliced thinly and served on lettuce. So if you like duck....

I like their Szechwan green beans, which are spicy HOT! The best thing about them is the done-to-perfection tenderness of the beans. So often these beans are almost mush, but here they cook and season them right.

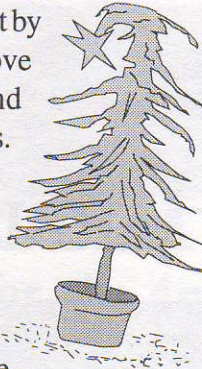
Hot sour soup, which comes with the buffet, also is very good, with exactly the right balance between the spicy hot and the agreeable sour. It's loaded with vegetables and red-cooked pork, too.

This is a popular Sunday dining spot, so you may have to wait, but usually not for long. Don't wait until the last minute to go, because after 7:30 or so, they don't seem to replace all the food.

China Dynasty is located in the back of the mall. Carry out is 486-7126.

Curb Your Tree

Your holiday tree is brand new and smelling great. When it gets dry and brittle and begins dropping needles all over the rug, DON'T TRASH IT! Curb IT! When your tree is finished, put it by the curb. Remove decorations and plastic tree bags. Evergreen roping and wreaths without metal may go on the curb also. Rumpke won't pick up from the alley, and trees discarded there become the owner's responsibility to dispose of.

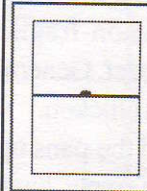


Reasons to Join the Harrison West Society # 886
The Society's Holiday Lights Contest gives you an excuse to lighten up!

Stay Alive Drive 25

Soon you'll be seeing the Stay Alive -- Drive 25 signs throughout the neighborhood. They're part of the Mayor's eponymous campaign to get drivers on City streets to slow down. As anyone who has walked in Harrison West knows, slowing down cars is a good idea, lest you get run down. The Society recently contributed \$500 to the City for the signs.

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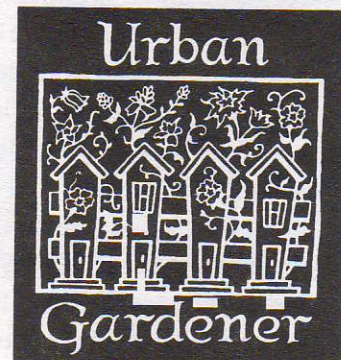
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Eadie Gourmet Eats Out at China Dynasty

by Veda Gilp

For some time now, Lauren Creighton and Molly McCracken and I have been hitting the China Dynasty in the Lane Avenue Shopping Center for their Sunday Buffet.

The buffet runs from 11 am to 8 PM, and at \$10.50 is a deal. The menu rotates, but you'll always find good pan Asian dishes, replenished sufficiently often that the crisp stays crisp and the hot remains hot. Ordinarily I wouldn't suggest an oriental buffet, since so many of the dishes require last minute attentions which they don't get on the steam table. China Dynasty is different. They fill their steam pans with non-fragile foods such as Mongolian beef, General Tso's chicken, and Hunan chicken.

They also don't load the pans up and let them sit until they are empty. Just a few servings are placed on the table, with servers replenishing frequently. The quality, preparation, and taste of the food is very good, and you will find a variety to appeal to any of your taste buds.

Generally you'll find six or seven appetizers, seven or eight entrees, and fruit and cake for dessert, plus the ubiquitous fortune cookie. The fortunes are good. Usually my fortune tells me I'm going to be rich. (Don't you hate the fortunes that preach at you?)

One of the usual features of the Sunday buffet is cold crab legs. If you're short, you'll need to stretch or to hustle around the buffet table, because they place them waaaay in the back. I don't know if this is because crab is a pricey item or because the manager decided they would look nice back there, but be prepared to exercise your boarding house reach.

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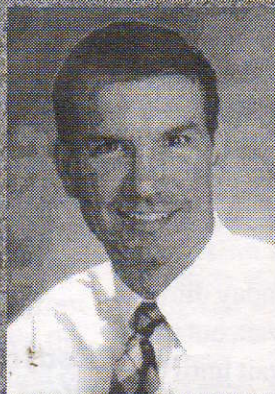
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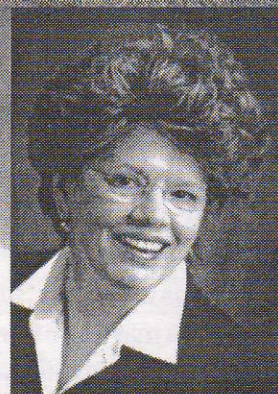
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We hope you and your family will join us for the initial lighting ceremony on the 5th, where the Deshler Elementary Choir (State Auto's adopted school) will also perform.

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(all beginning at 7 p.m.)

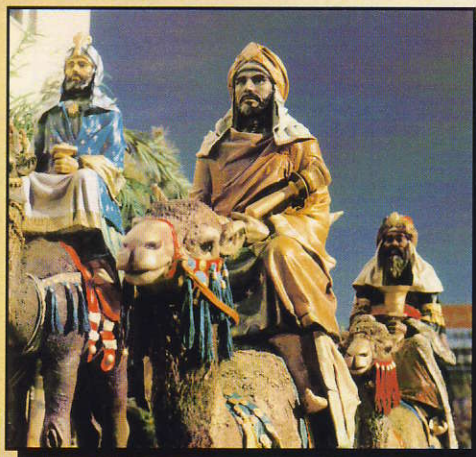
Friday, December 7	<i>Broad Street United Methodist Church Choir</i>
Saturday, December 8	<i>State Auto Sound Company</i>
Sunday, December 9	<i>Swiss Club Men's Chorus</i>
Saturday, December 15	<i>Damenchor (women's chorus)</i>
Sunday, December 16	<i>Columbus Area United Methodist Men's Chorus</i>
Friday, December 21	<i>Neds Family Singers</i>
Saturday, December 22	<i>Grove City Chamber Singers</i>

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NATIVITY DISPLAY LIGHTING TIMES

December 6 – January 1

Weekdays:	6 to 8 a.m., 5:30 to 11:30 p.m.
Weekends:	5:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.
Christmas Eve:	5:30 p.m. to 4:30 a.m.



*From the State Auto family, to yours....
Happy Holidays!*

