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Please Join Us for the 5th Annual Harrison West Society Holiday Potluck All Harrison West Neighbors Are Invited!

Wednesday, December 18, 6:30 P.M.. (in lieu of regular HWS meeting) at the charming First Avenue School Office Center located at the southwest corner of First and Harrison Avenues.

> the Harrison West Society will provide turkey, ham, bread and soft drinks



Please bring your favorite side dish, hot or cold hors d'oeuvres, salad or dessert. RYOR

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Is Your House Ready for the **Holiday Lights Contest?**

The Judges will be cruising the neighborhood THIS WEEKEND looking for winners in the 6th Annual Harrison West Holiday Lights Contest. Turn on the lights, deck the halls, and hang that holly.

Judges will select winners for Traditional, Most Exuberant, and Contemporary. The Traditional Category is lights and decorations. The Most Exuberant category is MAJOR WATTAGE!! The Con-

the newest, trendiest, hottest holiday designs and decorations.

Winners will be featured in the January HW News.



Next Meeting: Wednesday, December 18

Holiday Potluck **Good Food** Fun People **Great Time**

At the December 18 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 at the First Avenue School Office Center for the Fifth **Annual Harrison West** Holiday Potluck!



The Harrison West Society will EAT Wednesday, **December 18** at 6:30 PM First Avenue School Office Center at **Harrison and First**

Martini **Arches Lighting OSU Riot Food**



HARRISON WEST SOCIETY MINUTES November 20, 2002 3rd Avenue Bridge Park Improve-

Submitted by Veda Gilp, Secretary

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

Routine Business

Matt Tangeman motioned to approve the minutes of the last meeting; passed.

Treasurer's Report Treasurer Tom Maxwell reported a balance of \$4,172, with newsletter expenses to come.

Planning and Development:

There will be no December meeting. The next P&D meeting will be January 7, 7:30 at Cafe Corner.

Old Business and Committee Reports:

Traffic Committee Dave Butler reported on the traffic mitigation measures the city is offering for the Near Northside Historic Area. Pastor Richard Morris motioned that the Harrison West Society should see the final City proposal before the Society signs off on the plan; Passed.

Newsletter Veda Gilp reported that the newsletter is paying for itself and deadline is third Friday of each month.

HWS Website Chris Palmer asked the membership to visit the web site and to give him ideas for content.

Crime Report Officer Steve Smith reported 12 crimes in October, and reminded neighbors to put packages, briefcases, coats, etc in the trunck, "out of sight is safer." Membership Matt Tangeman reported two new members.

3rd Avenue Bridge Park Improvements Bob Mangia reported the bulbs, shrubs, and perennials have been planted in the mounding. Dave Butler reported that the Harrison West Society Planning and Development Committee voted another \$300 for topsoil for the park, and that the topsoil subsequently was delivered.

Mandy Butler reported that the Side by Side plaque is being completed.

Holiday Potluck Mandy Butler reported that the potluck will be December 18 at the First Avenue Office Center in the old First Avenue School. Tom Robinson volunteered \$150 from Kroger for food. Mary Funk motioned that the Society allocate up to \$200 for the Potluck; Passed.

Short North Neighborhood Foundation Tom Robinson volunteered to be the Harrison West delegate to SNNF. Veda Gilp motioned to accept Robinson as the delegate; Passed.

New Business & Announcements:

City Budget Report Mary Funk reported on the proposed City budget.

HWS Meeting Date The next regular meeting will be Wednesday, January 15, 2003.

OSU Michigan Game Mary Funk motioned to allocate \$250 for food for the police doing riot duty post-Michigan-OSU game; Passed. Short North Arches Lighting Dec. 4, 5:30 pm.

Tom Maxwell motioned to adjourn at 9:00; Passed.

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Short North Arches Lighting

It was cold as a polar ice cap the night they lit the 18 new Short North arches, but that didn't stop the holiday-minded crowd from enjoying the bright event. Harrison West was well-represented, including Mary Funk and Veda Gilp, who made it into the 3 seconds Channel 6 ran of the event, and Tom Maxwell, who couldn't quite get away from the *Dispatch* camera. Holly Stein flashed these pics so you could see all the excitement.

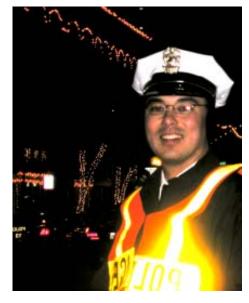


Veda Gilp, Mayor Mike Coleman and Mary Funk celebrate the Arches Lighting.

Officer Riley kept the traffic rolling smoothly, even though some of the crowd wanted to party sedately and quietly in the street.



Mary Funk, Jason Huddleston, Tom Maxwell, and Veda Gilp huddle for warmth waiting on the arches to light so we could all go to the party held at Functional Furnishings!



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> 6:30 PM Gym (3rd. Wed.) 7:30 PM Harrison West Meeting

Thursday 6:00 PM Little Women (5-18)
Friday 7:00 PM Open Prayer

Our church is open to all. Please come.

Harrison West Fed the Police at the OSU Riots

The indefatigable Mary Funk, upon hearing of plans for a stepped-up police presence on the OSU campus after the Ohio State-Michigan game, determined that Harrison West should put our thanks in *their* mouths.

She asked Tom Robinson from the Kroger at 7th and High, Joe Spinelli and Bill Ward at our own Spinelli's Deli, and the manager of the Thurber Big Bear to donate food and coffee for the officers on Friday and Saturday nights. They all generously complied.

Our special best Harrison West thanks to Spinelli's Deli, because we know Joe and Bill fixed their trays with their own hands.





Even Santa Visits the Harrison West Web Site

You never know what news, chat, and exciting info you'll find on the Harrison West web site. Fast breaking news, such as the traffic info or last minute reminders such as the Holiday potluck are routinely posted there. Stop by and comment, browse, or volunteer at: harrisonwest.org.

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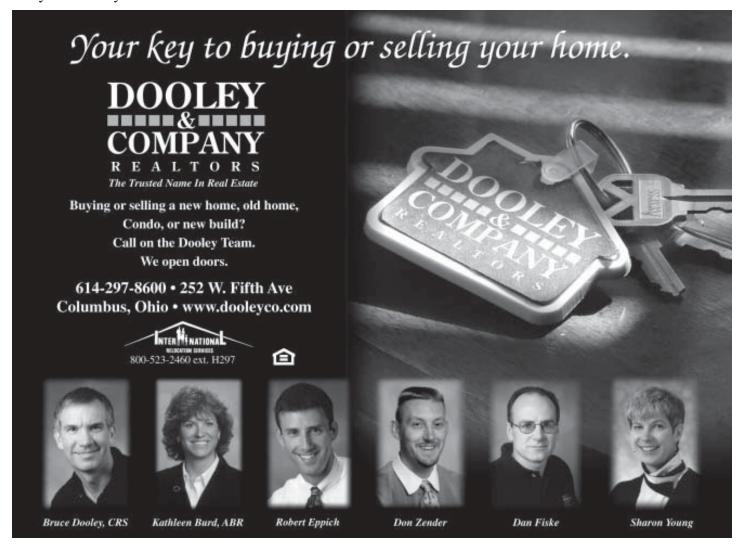
Sergeant Smith warned Harrison Westers that "you know there's nothing valuable in your briefcase or gym bag, but the thief doesn't know until he looks inside. And by then, your car window is broken and you've lost your stuff."

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Eadie Gourmet Eats Out at Martini

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Steve's Martini Salad of field greens, sun-dried tomatoes, gorgonzola, pine nuts, and balsamic vinaigrette was lovely -fresh and very light.

My Caesar was so watery and tasteless, I sent it back. I don't know if this is the way they always serve Caesar or if mine was a mistake. Based on the quality of the rest of the food, I think it was a mistake.

Tom and I settled on the Zuppa Pomodoro, which I thought was "fancy Italian" for tomato soup. Martini's Zuppa Pomodoro is to Campbells Cream of Tomato as a solid gold bar is to a spray can of gold paint. Velvety, creamy, with just the right amount of tomato flavor. Someone bring me a cauldron of this soup next time I'm sick, please.

Tom ordered the roasted pork tenderloin with caramelized apple risotto, wilted spinach, and apple cider jus. And I thought the tomato soup was good! This was heaven! The pork medallions were cooked perfectly, fork tender, and still just a bit pink in the center. The risotto was incredible. Who would have imagined that putting apple into risotto would elevate this dish so much. The risotto creaminess played against the tart-crisp apple and danced on your taste buds.

Steve's Shrimp alla cucina bella paired garganelli pasta with white wine, garlic, roasted tomatoes, crushed red pepper and grilled asparagus. The shrimp were huge, succulent, and absolutely fresh, and the sauce was a lively mix of smooth and spice.

Speaking of hot and spicy - the shrimp and sausage
rigatoni is just that! The big
sweet shrimp complement the
hot Italian sausage and the basil
pesto pulls it all together.

If you like your food piled high, order the veal scaloppine. Not only does it taste wonderful, it towers at least six inches on the plate, since the veal medallions and portobello mushrooms are piled



onto a mound of truffle mashed potatoes.

I ordered the chicken saltimbocca, which is sauteed chicken, prosciutto di Parma, and grilled asparagus in marsala wine sauce. My portion was huge: 1 1/1 chicken breasts, roasted potatoes, and a full serving of grilled asparagus. The prosciutto offset the blandness of the chicken, and the fresh sage cut the sweetness of the marsala wine sauce to make a perfectly balanced dish.

For dessert, we had hazelnut chocolate bread pudding in vanilla anglaise. The bread is croissants, the chocolate is in chunks, and the anglaise sauce is incredible. Order this. Eat it while it's hot. Swoon.

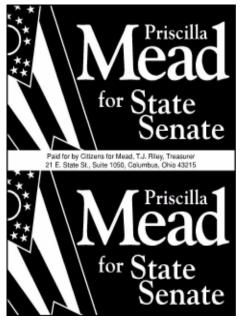
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Eadie Gourmet Eats Out at Martini

by Veda Gilp

You should go to Martini Italian Bistro if you haven't already. It's exceptionally good, and the decor makes one feel as if one had been transported to a sophisticated city!

The restaurant rises three levels, each with slightly different decor.

One of the many good things I can say about Martini is that our server actually knew her way around the menu and the wine list! Rachel was professional, helpful, enthusiastic, and engaged. She was so good, we gave her an outstanding tip.

Steve Schaub and Tom Maxwell, my dining companions of the evening, were old Martini hands, and knew their way around the menu. In addition, the people at the table next to ours were very generous with comments on their food.

The Martini bread is a cakelike focaccia, which you dunk in a lovely fruity olive oil. For an extra treat, a small pitcher of balsamic vinegar is available for doctoring your bread after you dunk it. Or, you could do as I did and eat the bread naked. Just as good and it doesn't drip that way.

I could make a whole meal of the appetizers at Martini: Bruschetta with Italian caponata and Prosciutto di Parma; mussels sauteed in white wine; portobello mushrooms in demi-glace over grilled gorgonzola-corn polenta; crispy calamari (good, but not as good as Barcelona's); and beef carpaccio, which is thinly sliced raw tenderloin with shaved parmesan, capers, and onion.

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