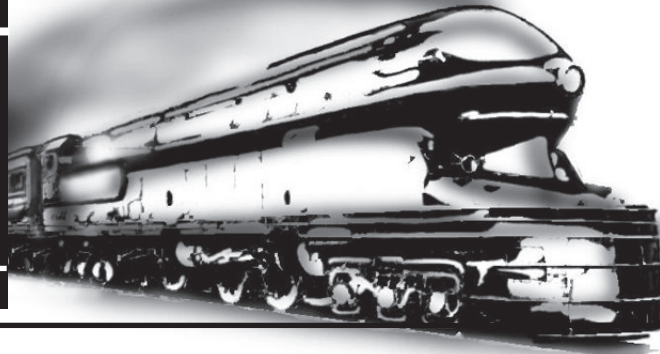


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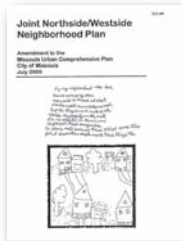


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Last Call for Input on the Neighborhood Plan Update

FALL 2006

In our spring issue we announced the citizen review of the Joint Northside/Westside Neighborhood Plan—the document that guides the development and improvement in our neighborhoods. Six years had passed since the Plan was adopted, and it needed some updating and revision to keep it current. The review began with a neighborhood survey—328 residents and business owners replied with their concerns and opinions about the state of the neighborhood. About a tenth as many neighbors participated in a series of open public meetings, held from May to July.



construction. Neighbors would like to see more investment in Lowell School, and more businesses that serve the daily needs of the neighborhood. Residents feel unsafe in certain parts of the neighborhood—especially around the pedestrian bridge—and welcome a coordinated effort to improve the area (see the proposal for pocket parks in this issue). Neighbors also remain worried about potential environmental health risks posed by MRL operations and the presence of two state Superfund sites in the neighborhood.

A contractor working with the Missoula Office of Planning and Grants compiled these (and other) neighborhood priorities into a Plan Update. The Update will come before the Neighborhood Council for discussion and a vote at the meeting on November 1. After this meeting, it goes on to the Planning Board and City Council for approval.

Stop by the Office of Planning and Grants (435 Ryman) to pick up your own copy of the draft Update before the November meeting, or visit the Northside/Westside page at <http://www.missoula-neighborhoods.org>

A project of the North-Missoula Community Development Corporation, 819 Stoddard Ave., Missoula, MT 59802; 829-0873; email: nmcdc@montana.com; www.nmcdc.org

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■ Co-op Holds First Annual Membership Meeting & Celebration!

by Kate Keller

On Wednesday, October 25th the Missoula Community Market invites its members and interested members of the community to its new home at 1500 Burns St. for the first annual membership meeting and harvest celebration. At the inaugural membership meeting, we will elect the first official Board of Directors, approve the articles of incorporation and by-laws, conduct a visioning brainstorm for public art, and celebrate the formation of Missoula's only food co-op. After we take care of the official business, it's time to celebrate! Music, food, adult and non-alcoholic beverages will be on hand as we enjoy our new surroundings and socialize with fellow co-op members.

Building tours will commence at 6 and the meeting will begin promptly at 6:30. Please bring: a chair, a plate and cup, a suggested donation of \$5 for adult beverages and some extra for a pumpkin!

The co-op currently operates a thriving buying club that links over 15 local producers with consumers in a commitment to strengthen the local food system and foster community building. This buying club, like for many other food-co-ops, is the seed of our new existence and as we grow, the members will be making the decisions as to what we carry, what kinds of education we provide, and the community partnerships that we make. The reason why the co-op holds endless possibilities for its members is just this... WE OWN IT! Just as we own the future of our food systems and everything else we hold dear, we own this effort and this co-operative. Two hundred and forty-some members and counting! We need your energy, enthusiasm, and skills now more than ever! If you haven't joined us yet, please feel free to contact Kate at 728-2369 or coop-kitchen@montana.com with any questions you might have. Or come by and visit us at the future site of Burns St. Community Center (1500 Burns St., Monday through Wednesday 2-6pm) Off-hours please call 880-2667.

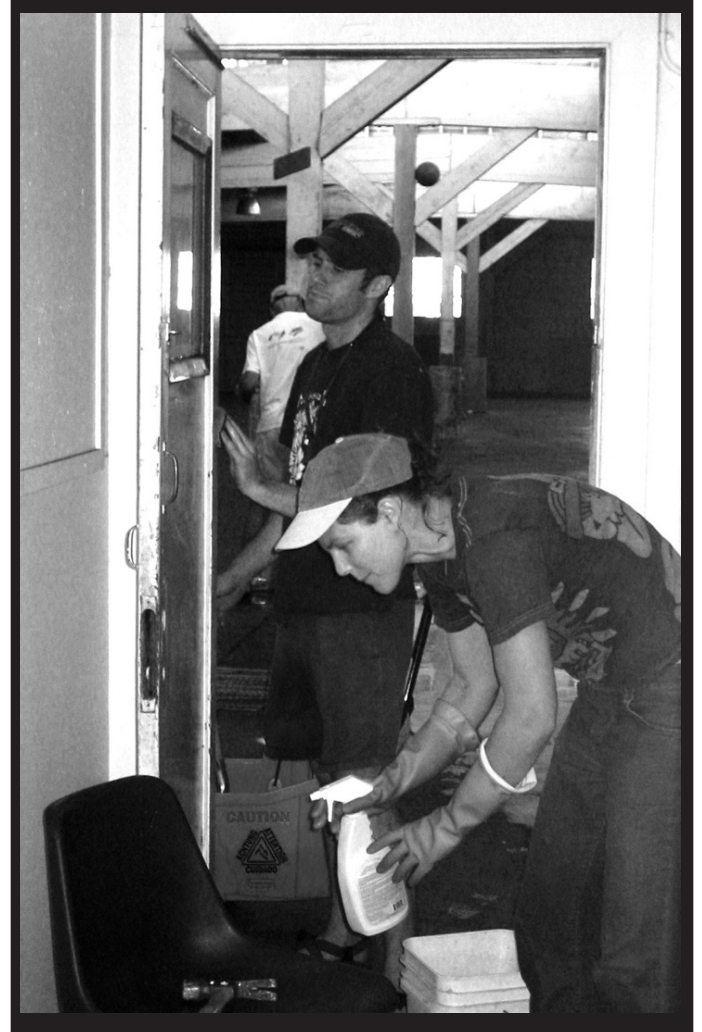
We look forward to seeing you at the celebration!



Lavender

You need it!
I can help.

Contact Lavender Lori at 542-1699 or find her lavender at the Missoula Community Market on Burns Street.



Co-op members spruce up the new Burns St. location

Free Memberships Available

Through a generous grant from the USDA - Community Food Solutions Grant - the Missoula Community Market will be able to waive the \$125 membership fee for 200 qualifying individuals. If you are interested, please call 728-2369 for an application, e-mail coop-kitchen@montana.com or pick one up at local agencies around town.

■ Introducing Your Northside/Westside Leadership Team Members

Your Neighborhood Leadership Team is a conduit for your neighborhood concerns and goals. We are all volunteers that have a vested interest in the safety, improvement and success of the Northside and Westside Neighborhoods. In trying to accomplish neighborhood goals we work with our neighbors and other interest groups.

Yvonne Bittle: I currently reside on the Northside and have lived in this neighborhood on and off for over 80 years. I attended the Whittier School in the 7th and 8th grade. I have been a singer and dancer all my life and I also used to own a costume shop. If you have any neighborhood concerns please feel free to contact me at 829-8558.

Nicole Newman: I moved to the Westside in 2001 when my husband and I bought our first home here. Currently my life stays hopping between our two year old daughter, work, two horses and camping. Feel free to e-mail me if you have any neighborhood concerns at blazenmontana@yahoo.com.

LaNette Diaz: I am originally from Billings, MT but I have lived in Missoula for the past 5 years. I just bought my first home on the Westside of town. In the 5 years I have lived here I lived on the Northside for all but 6 months. I really love this part of town and I am very excited to be a part of the leadership team. My background is in community organizing and I currently work for a new organization called Forward Montana. I hope that with my current skills and passion for this neighborhood I am able to help the neighborhood residents reach the goals that are important to all of us. You can reach me at lanettediaz@gmail.com .

Jon Garvin: I have lived on the Westside since 1998. I work as a software developer for WorldWide IDEA, and run the TerraCaching.com website from my home.

When not programming computers, I can usually be found exploring a new hiking trail or enjoying the live music of one of Missoula 's many local bands.

Northside representative **Josh Decker** has lived in many of Missoula's great neighborhoods but likes the Northside the best. For two and a half years Josh has lived near the tracks on Holmes with his wife Grace and two barking dogs. Josh loves the Northside's easy access to the downtown area and the community feel in the neighborhood. Josh works as a timber framer for Birch Creek Builders and has volunteered regularly for Missoula Community School and Home Resource. Working with the neighborhood council, Josh is especially interested in increasing access to open space and promoting neighborhood safety. Josh can be reached via e-mail with neighborhood concerns and questions at josharoots@msn.com

June Jordan: Northside/Westside Leadership Team member

If you think you would like to join this activity and get in some civic duty time, the Neighborhood Council Meeting on November 1st is the place to be. At this meeting we will have elections for the Neighborhood Leadership Team. Nominate yourself or someone else!

Federated Northside/ Westside Neighborhood Council Meeting

November 1st from 7-9 pm

WHITTIER SCHOOL (HEADSTART),
Worden and Phillips
Refreshments and Childcare Provided

Agenda:

7:00 – Introductions

7:10 – Open Space Bond Q&A,
Jackie Corday

7:30 – Neighborhood Council
Leadership Team Elections
(Nominate a neighbor, or
yourself!)

7:45 – Report and Vote
on the 2006 Update to the
Joint Northside/Westside
Neighborhood Plan (see page 1
for details about getting a review
copy)

8:30 – Pocket Parks for the
Pedestrian Bridge



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■ Land Stewardship Program

The Land Stewardship Program

Since the creation of the Land Stewardship Program (LSP) in 2000, the North Missoula Community Development Corporation has made 30 new homes available to first-time homebuyers of modest means. Created under the community land trust model, LSP homes remain permanently affordable for generations of homebuyers. The land under each home becomes part of a community commonwealth. Individual households build equity and stabilize housing costs, while the community gains new homeowners with a real stake in their neighborhood. Check out these LSP Projects:

Whittier Court

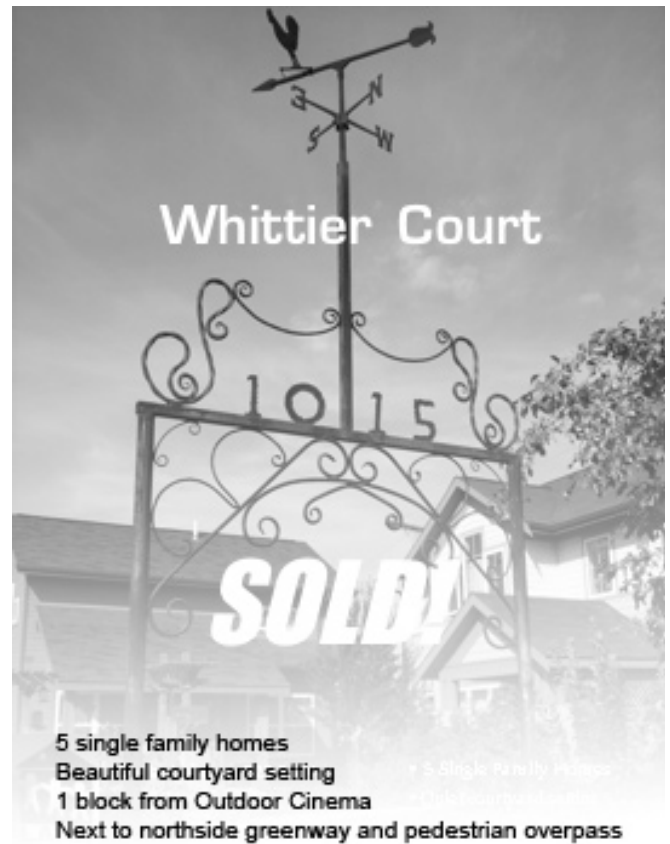
It all began with Whittier Court: 5 single family homes nestled quietly in the Northside neighborhood. A stone's throw from the Northside greenway, the pedestrian overpass and HeadStart School (home of Missoula Outdoor Cinema), Whittier Court provides comfortable, quality homes with perfect-sized yards. Completed in the fall of 2002, Whittier Court contains two 3-bedroom homes and three 2-bedroom homes. In 2003, Whittier Court won an award from the Missoula Historic Preservation Commission for "New Construction in a Historic Neighborhood."

Clark Fork Commons

In 2006 the NMCDC completed Clark Fork Commons: 25 townhomes located along the Clark Fork River on Cedar Street between Russell Street and the California Street walk bridge. Comprised of two and three bedroom homes, this secluded building site is located near the heart of Historic Downtown Missoula along the Clark Fork Riverfront Trail. The trail provides bike/pedestrian access to the Civic Stadium, McCormick Park, A Carousel for Missoula, Dragons Hollow, the aquatics center, St. Pat's and numerous downtown stores and shops.

Burns Street Commons

The NMCDC has begun its third project, Burns Street Commons (BSC): 16 single family townhomes located at the corner of Burns and Cooley on the Westside. Slated for completion in December of 2007, the homes will be built as part of the Burns Street Community Center, which will house a worker-run food cooperative, community meeting space, commercial kitchen, deli and a Kid's Café. Although in the preliminary design phase, the NMCDC is already accepting applications from prospective homebuyers, who, enamored of the quality and design of both Whittier Court and Clark Fork Commons, wish to get a jump on purchasing a home at Burns Street Commons. If you are interested in purchasing a home at Burns Street Commons, want to get on a waiting list for homes that might become available if owners leave Whittier Court or Clark Fork Commons or just want more information on the Land Stewardship Program in general, please contact Jerry at 829-8414.



A black and white photograph of a large, ornate wrought-iron sign for Whittier Court. The sign features a weather vane at the top with cardinal directions (N, S, E, W) and the address '1015' in the center. A large, bold 'SOLD!' is superimposed over the sign. Below the sign, text lists features of the property.

Whittier Court
1015
SOLD!

- 5 single family homes
- Beautiful courtyard setting
- 1 block from Outdoor Cinema
- Next to northside greenway and pedestrian overpass



A black and white photograph of a multi-story townhome building. A large, bold 'SOLD!' is superimposed over the building. Above the building is the Land Stewardship Program logo, which consists of a house silhouette with three stylized figures inside, and the text 'LAND STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM'. Below the logo, text provides details about the project.

LAND STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM
Clark Fork Commons
Riverfront Townhomes
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- 25 townhomes
- Built along the Clark Fork River
- Centrally located
- Next to the riverfront trail system, provides access to local stores and recreational facilities

Contact Jerry 829-8414
NMCDC is a fair housing organization
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■ Northside Shed Defies Gravity, and the Demolition Crew *by Caitlin DeSilvey*



On May 24th the Northside lost a neighborhood landmark—the leaning shed behind Ken and Leona Moura’s house on North Second Street. For years the shed defied gravity and entertained neighbors with its rakish tilt, at least 20 degrees off plumb, and sinking. But this spring the City sent the Mouras an ominous letter. The shed had to come down. It was a safety hazard. It could collapse in a Hellgate wind. The Mouras would have to pay for its demolition.

“Just because it’s old, and doesn’t serve a purpose, it’s treated like it has no function,” said Ken Moura, when the demolition crew arrived to do the deed. “Just tear it down, they say. Would you take your grandfather and attach a chain to his legs and pull them out from under him?” One elderly neighbor, who happened to pass by as the demolition was getting under way, said he’d been looking at the shed for most of his life and he’d be sad to see it go. “I feel sorry for the cats,” said Leona Moura. “They won’t have anywhere to go to have their babies.”



The shed didn’t go without a fight. It took four men a whole day and eighteen hard yanks on the pick-up chain to get the shed to settle on the ground, and even then the top half of the structure remained intact. The Hellgate wind didn’t stand a chance. A small crowd gathered on the street to watch the shed battle against the demolition crew. “This shed represents the strength of the Northside. It will not die, and it will not go away easily,” Ken Moura quipped. The only survivor of the demolition was a ride-on inchworm, which neighborhood children quickly adopted.



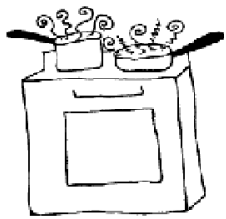
Pedestrian Bridge Pocket Parks

Many of you live very near the bridge that spans the tracks connecting the Northside neighborhood to the Westside neighborhood and downtown. Many more of you probably use this bridge to walk, bike, commute or recreate. There are many thoughts that come to mind when one thinks about this connector; some are good and some are bad. Your Northside/Westside Leadership Team would like to focus some attention and resources on this valuable addition to our neighborhood. There is potential to create pocket parks at both ends of the bridge.

The land is owned by Montana Rail Link and the bridge itself is maintained by the City Parks and Recreation Department. The Leadership Team would like your input on what the neighborhood would like to see at this ‘hood focal point. Are you interested in seeing a small playground? Garden? Waterwise landscape? A spot to rest and watch the trains? Give us your feedback at the next Northside/Westside Neighborhood Council meeting on Wednesday, November 1 at Whittier School (Headstart) at 7pm.



■ Real Meals



“Real Meals”, a project of Women’s Economic Justice and the Missoula Community Market, is a meal shared amongst women in collaboration towards positive change and the creation of community and opportunity. Women celebrate the sharing of vision and labor, skills and nourishment.

Real Meals also utilizes local foods as much as possible for each meal.

Meals are held every second Thursday of the month at Orchard Gardens Community Room, 210 N. Grove St., from 5-9 pm. Suggested donation is \$7 or whatever you can contribute. Food Stamp Benefits (EBT) are accepted. Please RSVP at least a week ahead of time. Call Kate for details or transportation arrangements at 880-COOP or e-mail coop-kitchen@montana.com. Children are welcome!



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■ Food Security

Do you ever wonder why people are still hungry in Missoula County? Do you want to do something about it?

Town hall meeting on October 26th. Call Chris to RSVP

243-6384

Participants receive:

- \$10 for your time
- FREE Food and Drink
- FREE Childcare
- Transportation if needed
- Chance to win a Free membership to the Missoula Food Coop

The Finding Solutions to Food Insecurity (FSFI) project is looking for new members. FSFI is investigating the effects of cost of living and food assistance programs on people’s ability to feed themselves and their families in a nutritious and sustainable way. Sound interesting?

Get involved in a research project where your voice matters and the needs of community members come first! Contact Diana Mitchell at 880-9206 for more information.

■ Holistic Moms Network

UPCOMING EVENTS

Next Monthly Meeting - Monday, November 20 at 6 pm at the Missoula Public Library, large meeting room. The small meeting room will offer activities for kids.

- Are you a mom who is interested in natural health and holistic therapies?
- Do you follow an “alternative” parenting style?
- Are you looking to connect with other moms who share your perspective?

Whether you are a holistic parent or are interested in learning more about natural options, then the Holistic Moms Network is for you!

For more information on the Holistic Moms Network contact Kristen Lee-Charlson at 541-3000 or hmnmissoula@gmail.com or visit www.holisticmoms.org

■ Bliss Browne Conversation

Sponsored by WORD

A Community Conversation with, Bliss Browne, one of America’s leading social innovators, is happening in Missoula!

Friday, November 10th

Workshop 9am - 3pm

Community Lecture at 7:30pm

(Workshop \$25 per person, Lecture free)

Bliss Browne has worked with communities around the world to cultivate hope and civic engagement while facilitating the development of partnerships across well-established divides of age, race, income, culture, and class. She is aware of our community’s strengths and assets and is coming here to facilitate a conversation of collective dreaming. Please join us to strengthen our relations and delve into a conversation of community agenda.

■ SBC Lecture



The Sustainable Business Council is hosting the local agriculture lecture “The Local Sustainable Agriculture Scene,” by the Western Montana Growers’ Union. The talk will focus on new practices being adopted by some local growers that go beyond organic farming practices, the growers making this choice, and the Montana Sustainable Growers’ Union, a network they developed to help and encourage each other. November 16, 6pm, at MCAT, 500 N. Higgins.

■ A Vision of Peace

The Jeannette Rankin Peace Center (JRPC) is working with people in Missoula who want a visible sign of peace and who want to honor the old peace sign in the North Hills. The newest possibility is to buy land on Waterworks Hill that is easily visible from Higgins Ave. that could become a community peace park in which we all could enjoy ownership. Pledges are being accepted at a cost of \$1 per square foot.

The project is promising, though still in process of being negotiated. JRPC is working with the Open Space Committee to determine sign ordinance restrictions and guaranteed access. If you would like to help in any way, including pledging, signing our petition, or offering ideas to make this vision a reality, please get in touch (see phone email below). For notecards and posters that commemorate the old peace sign, just drop by our store at 519 South Higgins.

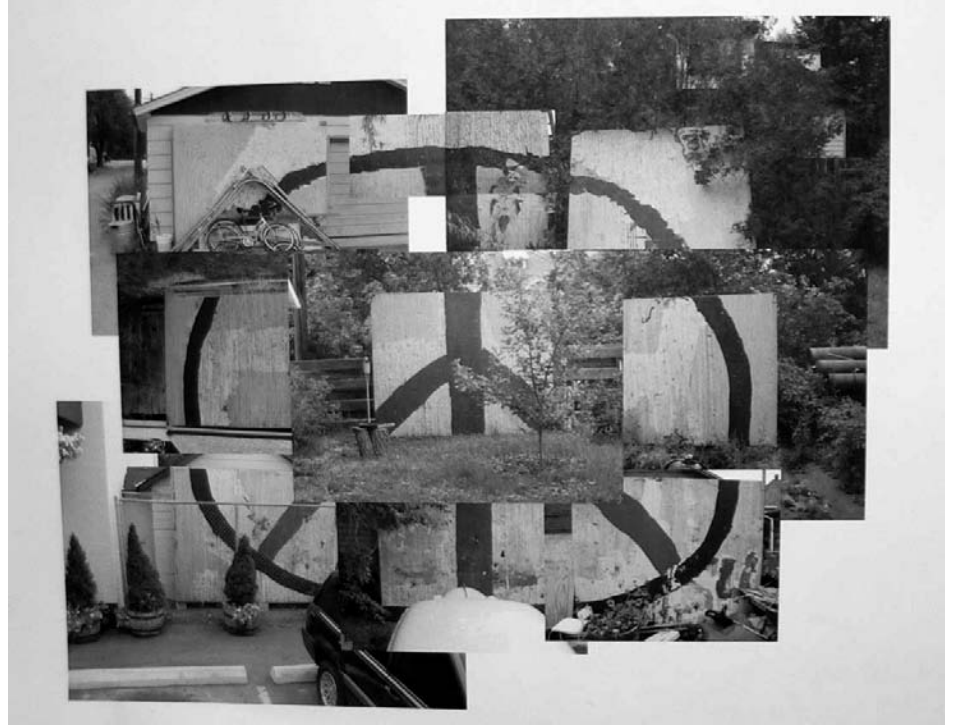


Image: David Claman

JRPC is also looking for community members to serve on our Coordinating Council to help make peace visible in Missoula. There will be a "Meet and Greet" wine and cheese reception on October 24 from 5-7pm where people who would like to get involved can come and find out about the council or volunteer needs. JRPC was established in 1986 to empower people to act locally to build a socially just, nonviolent, and ecologically sustainable society. For more information, contact Betsy Mulligan-Dague at 543-3955 or peace@jrpc.org



MOC Sets Sights on Season 6!

The NMCDC is proud to celebrate five great summers of original northside entertainment. Let us know what sorts of films you'd like to see next year. visit www.missoulaoutdoorcinema.org or call 829-0873 to make suggestions, donations, or to get involved.

Survivor Art Display

on display at Worden's Deli (in the Spruce St. window) until November 3

Survivor Art Display Art by women and children who are survivors of relationship violence will be on display at Worden's Deli (in the Spruce St. window) until November 3. For more info, contact Kim Brown Campbell at 258-4856 or kcampbell@co.missoula.mt.us For more information about the Missoula Family Violence Council and their efforts in creating a nonviolent community, contact Shantelle Gaynor, MFVC President at 258-4650 or e-mail: sgaynor@co.missoula.mt.us

■ Moon-Randolph Homestead



Kids queuing for a swing by the Moon-Randolph Homestead chicken coop, during the 6th annual Fall Gathering on October 7. The North Hills homestead is open until the end of October, Saturdays 11-5, and then again when the snow melts (and the mud dries) in May. Call 728-9269 or email moonrandolph@montana.com for details.

Thanks to the following farms and businesses for supporting this year's gathering: Tipu's Café, Catalyst, Scotty's Table, The Shack, Bernice's Bakery, Pearl Café, Break Espresso, Lifeline Farm, Daniel's Lamb, Great Harvest Bakery, Le Petit Outre, Ploughshare Farm, Fialky Farm, PEAS Farm, Big Sky Brewing, Bayern Brewing, Sophie's Apples, The Good Food Store, Local 28, Hungry Fox Gardens, Costco, Margaret Barton, Iron Horse, Orange Street Food Farm, Ace Hardware, Rattlesnake Gardens and many anonymous pie-bakers!

■ Missoula Tool Library



The tool library at MUD switches over to winter hours (Wed 4-7pm, Sat 9-noon) on November 1. MUD is also pleased to tell you they were recently donated a second apple press that you can use off-site for a small fee. The bigger press must still be used on-site. Both presses should be reserved. Another useful donation came last month from Big Sky Brewing. They kindly gave labor and expertise to wire the straw bale at the front of the garden into a workshop space. In a few weeks, all the garden tools will be moved out of the straw bale into a new storage space and you will be able to do small projects on-site at MUD during tool library hours.



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West Broadway Corridor Kick-Off Meeting

October 24 from 5:45-7 pm at
the Missoula Children's Theater
Community Room

Find out how to participate in
the West Broadway redesign
process! Get involved in making
Missoula 's streets work for all
modes of transportation.



Free Cycles Community Bike Shop
732 S. 1st St. W., 541-PATH (7284),
mist@strans.org.

New Hours: Open shop: Mon, Tues,
Thurs- 3-7 pm, Sat- 11-3 pm

Bikewell Class: This class covers basic bike
repair, good riding skills, and traffic laws.
*Mon- 1:30-3 pm, Tues- 7-8:30 pm, Wed-
4:30-6 pm, Thurs- 2-3:30 pm*

■ Changes in Ward Two? Local Government Recommendations.

It's time for the voters to decide!

Missoula's Local Government Study Commission is presenting voters with four ballot recommendations on November 7th. The recommendations are independent of one another and will be voted on separately. The principal two follow:

Increase the number of wards in Missoula from six to nine and reduce the size of City Council from twelve to nine members (by electing one rather than the current two representatives per ward). Return to partisan elections that were in place until ten years ago.

The Commission believes that as the City grows, both in population and geographic area, the addition of three wards will allow better representation of the City's diversity of established and newly developing neighborhoods. For example, the Commission's recommended realignment would keep the traditional North and Westside neighborhoods together in Ward Two and create a new ward (Ward Nine) to the west that would include Grant Creek and many of the newly annexed neighborhoods near Reserve St.

The Commission believes that a return to partisan elections will encourage all local political parties to develop platforms relevant to City needs. We all benefit from policy creation that addresses the important issues surrounding growth, economy and housing affordability. Voters have a right to know where candidates stand. The Commission also hopes that a return to partisan elections will increase the voter turnout that declined immediately after the adoption of the nonpartisan form in 1995.

Two other ballot items are primarily "housekeeping" endeavors that would accomplish the following:

- Bring the City Charter into conformity with existing City ordinances relating to citizen participation in Neighborhood Councils.
- Bring the City Charter into conformity with state law concerning residency requirements of elected and appointed City officials.

The Local Government Study Commission has worked on crafting its recommendations for almost two years. The full text of the Commission's conclusions, including maps of the current and proposed ward systems and a minority report opposing the Commission's recommendations, are available at <http://www.ci.missoula.mt.us/LGSC/>, the City Clerk's office, the Missoula Public Library or the Missoulian offices.

Two of your Ward Two neighbors are elected Commissioners, Pam Walzer (327-8660) and Bob Oaks (543-5361).

-- Sue Malek, Chair
City Local Government Study Commission

■ Missoula County Local Government Study Commission

Summary of Recommendations:

The Missoula County Local Government Study Commission, elected in November 2004 by Missoula County voters, after 20 months of study and review of Missoula County government structure, presents the following recommendations in order to be responsive to the needs and desires of Missoula County residents with respect to their county government.

1. The Study Commission recommends the adoption of a Charter for Missoula County granting the county self-government powers and defining the structure and powers of the County government. The structure will mirror the current Commission or County Elected Official form of government but with self-government powers that allow the County to respond to issues not currently possible.
2. Within the Charter is Article 2.10 making each Commissioner the primary liaison to the communities in his/her residence district. District boundaries and the name of the Commissioner who lives in that district will be published at least annually in local newspapers. The goal is to enhance representation and communication between the public and the County Commissioners.

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■ Elections, November 7th



Elections are coming up Nov 7th!

It is important that we all have our voices heard . . . but are you ready to cast your vote? We can help “demystify” the voting process!

COME TO THE NORTHSIDE BALLOT PARTY!

Tuesday, October 24th

5:30 - 7:30 pm

Gold Dust Apartment Building
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- * Look at a sample ballot
- * Learn more about the candidates and initiatives and how they relate to issues important to you
- * Sign up to “walk the vote” with your neighbors

Forgot to register before the Oct 10th deadline? It is not too late! Come learn how, for the first time this election, you can still register and vote at the court house – even if you missed the regular Oct. 10th registration deadline!

Don't forget that even though this isn't a presidential election, 2006 is a very important election for Montana. We are choosing one of our two US Senators and the Tester/Burns race at the moment is in a dead heat! We also will be selecting our lone Representative to the US Congress. All of the state representatives and half of the state senators are up for elections to the Montana legislature. Also this year there are many important initiatives on the ballot, including I-151, which helps low-income Montanans by raising the minimum wage. Make sure you vote Nov. 7th!

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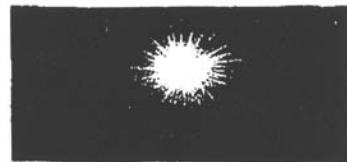
homeWORD unveils its next housing development site - 601 N. Russell Street (the Liberty Lanes site). Join them on November 10th and 11th at the Broadway Inn Conference Center for an exciting brainstorming session on the design of housing and commercial space in a highly visible location. homeWORD wants many North and Westside residents to participate in this event to ensure that the design fits with the Neighborhood Plan. The location is a gateway into our community and a critical piece for urban redevelopment. Please visit www.homeword.org for more information.

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Perhaps you know something about Outdoor Cinema, the Northside Greenway, or “Castle Park” next to Lowell School? Maybe you’ve visited the Moon-Randolph Homestead or recently joined the Community Co-op? Or it could be you know someone who lives in Clark Fork Commons or Whittier Court. What you may not know is that all these Missoula resources have grown from the work of the North-Missoula Community Development Corporation (NMCDC).

We’re proud that the NMCDC does a lot with a little. Currently, we employ a staff of four. The organization does not hire professional fundraisers and expends a very small budget on fundraising. We do, however, depend on contributions from neighbors to see that our good work goes on. Both the Board of Directors and the Staff of the NMCDC strive to see that money dedicated to the organization’s administration is magnified a thousand-fold in the results obtained for the community.



Please make a tax-deductible, charitable, donation to the NMCDC at 819 Stoddard; Missoula, Montana 59802. We continue to promise that we will leverage your social and charitable investments to their maximum potential.

Sincerely,

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Study Commission

3. As a sub-option on the ballot, the Study Commission recommends that Missoula County create the position of Citizen Advocate. The Citizen Advocate would assist ~~county residents~~ in interactions with county government and advocate on behalf of county residents.

4. Included the Transition Article of the Charter is Section 7.05, which puts retention of the charter on the ballot in November of 2010. In this way, if Missoula County citizens are not happy with the self-government charter, they can vote to revert back to the current form of county government and reverse any legislation passed using self-government powers in the four years the charter was in effect. It would not reverse any legislation the County could pass currently using its general government powers, so it would not necessarily “undo” four years of work.

5. The final issue is not a recommendation, but a hope that while planning and zoning regulations are strictly controlled by state law, by adopting a County Charter the Board of County Commissioners may be empowered to use more fully those powers currently granted under state law. In addition, self-government

powers may present opportunities to plan and build transportation systems ahead of actual development.

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