



Madison Meadow News

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Spring Clean Up Party In The Meadow Saturday, May 17th 10:00am – 12:00pm

Bring your tools and green energy to the 4th annual Spring Meadow Cleanup, on **Saturday, May 17 from 10-12**. We plan to focus on pruning away dead branches and thinning suckers from the filbert and fruit trees, as well as blackberry and ivy removal.

We'll provide refreshments and have nectar flower seeds to pass out, as part of our ongoing Monarch Butterfly Project.

We will have some tools available. If you can bring your own, there will be need for shovels, mattocks, clippers, chain saws, hand saws, pruners, pole pruners and step ladders

Free garden gloves will be provided while they last. Thank you again to Strong Marketing for providing the gloves. If you have questions, call Susan Jerde at 345-3653.

THANK YOU!!

To Kris Stenshoel and his crew at EWEB for volunteering their time and energy to get the Meadow mowed this month!

By doing an early spring mowing, we have been told, the wildflowers will have a stronger chance of survival without such a heavy canopy of grasses.

The Meadow looks beautiful! We appreciate it very much Kris and EWEB!

JUST \$5,000 LEFT TO GO!

With donations coming in from our last mail campaign, and a munificent \$10,000 gift from a generous neighbor, we are nearing the finish line to pay off the Meadow.

We also just received a new, anonymous **\$1,000 challenge pledge** for our Last Dollar Campaign ! This new pledge is in the name of future generations of children who will enjoy and learn from the meadow.

How To Spend That Economic Stimulus Refund? Consider donating part of it to Madison Meadow

Like the Flynn family

"My family would like to issue a challenge to the neighborhood: Donate all or part of your tax rebate to retire Madison Meadow's debt.

In May, the federal government will send \$600 to most individual taxpayers and \$1,200 to married taxpayers filing joint returns, so long as they are below income caps of \$75,000 for individuals and \$150,000 for couples.

Our family pledges to donate \$200 once our tax rebate arrives."

- Rebecca, Sharon, and Hailey Flynn
2350 Jefferson Street"



The Milkweeds Are Coming up!

The milkweeds planted to help the Monarch Butterfly re-establish itself are starting to come up! Watch for them in the chicken-wire cages in the Meadow.

We are currently working on plans to reinforce the cages to protect the milkweeds from all the play time activities that happen in the meadow.

Local Realtor Donates 20% of Profits to Madison Meadow

Neighbor, Meadow Supporter, and Barnhart and Associates Real Estate agent Lori Stenshoel will donate 20% of her commissions from sales resulting from Madison Meadow referrals to Madison Meadow until the property purchase is complete!

Meadow supporter Lorri Goodman enthuses: "She is a delightful person and a terrific and conscientious realtor."

You can find Lori's website at

www.loristenshoel.com



I May Be Cute, But I Still Poop!

Soon you will see new signs in the Meadow encouraging dog owners to pick up after their dogs. Thank you for the consideration shown in scooping up after your pet.

Who is Madison Meadow?

Madison Meadow is the name of the non-profit, 501(c)(3), corporation that was formed in November of 2003 to preserve the two-acre historic, remnant orchard and meadow at 22nd and Madison in Eugene, OR. Madison Meadow is also the name of this two-acre parcel. We are currently in the process of raising funds to purchase the meadow so that we may preserve the beauty and tranquility of the meadow for decades to come. Please call 683-3430 or write P.O. Box 50743 Eugene, OR 97405 if you wish to make a donation or to request further information.

Meadow Tree Vandalized

Last weekend, the top half (over four feet) was cut from one of our native crabapples. This was one of three crabapples EWEB helped plant for Arbor Day last year. With a year of care, the tree was just about to bloom. A police report has been filed.