



Madison Meadow News

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Large Turnout to Plant Milkweed In The Meadow



On November 10 over 30 Meadow volunteers, at least half of them children, came to help plant 12 milkweed starts provided by John Hogan of NABA (North American Butterfly Association). This event was in conjunction with the Western Oregon Monarch Project to help re-establish the Monarch butterfly in the Willamette Valley. The Monarchs require the milkweed plant for their eggs and caterpillars. We will be adding nectar-bearing plants in the spring so the butterflies will stick around a while for all of us to enjoy.



The day was surprisingly sunny, and butterfly sandwiches and cookies were served, along with hot drinks. A special thanks to Sundance for providing the cider, to Eugene True Value Hardware for donating the chicken wire and stakes to protect the plants, and to Strong Marketing for donating garden gloves. The Register Guard covered the event in Sunday's paper. Be sure to check out the link on our website if you missed the article.

YES!

Plan in Place to Save the Meadow!

With just one month to go to raise enough funds to make our final payment and \$60,000 still needed, the Madison Meadow board has decided to make arrangements to re-finance the remainder and continue fundraising into 2008. Six individuals have generously offered 1 year loans of \$10,000 each to make up the amount. With the original promissory note paid off, Madison Meadow is now free from the threat of development and will remain open space!

Yes, we are still raising money!

Donating to Madison Meadow now has three benefits:

1. It offers you an easy way to use that kicker check from the state.
2. You take the tax deduction for this year.
3. It reduces the amount of funds needed to pay off interest on the loans – thus reducing the amount of fundraising next year.
4. You will feel good!

You may send your check to

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We Made our \$40,000 Match!

With plenty of time to spare, Madison Meadow made our \$40,000 match challenge, making an extra \$40,000 available from challengers and making an extra \$80,000 for the Meadow! Thanks to everyone who contributed time and energy to making this challenge a success!



Tsunami Event A Success!

The mood was high for the informational meeting at Tsunami Books on November 11th. After a very successful milkweed planting event the day before with good press from the Register Guard, between 40-50 people came to hear two sets of music by the Klezmonauts sandwiched around reports on Meadow efforts, financial status and the future.

Meadow Fairies Still Available

You can make your holiday Madison Meadow Fairy purchase at Sundance (on the pillar behind the cashiers) and at the Junebug booth at Holiday Market. They make great tree ornaments, holiday or get well gifts. Of course, ALL fairy money goes towards the purchase of Madison Meadow!

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.

Thank You!



To Phela Alred for selling Chinook Coupon Books to benefit Madison Meadow. The coupons offer discounts for hundreds of local retailers. Phela is selling her books through the end of December. You can order yours by calling 485-7722.

To local artist Howard Newman, who put on a show with a night full of laughs at DIVA on November 3rd. With an interesting fundraising method, Howard offered to donate \$10 to Madison Meadow for each person who attended the free event! He also offered many bonuses at the show and gave a total of \$825 to the Meadow!

To the extended Armenian Family of Board Member Debbie Summers, who got into the spirit of Thanksgiving by making a group donation during their family gathering in Fresno, California. WAY TO GO OUT-OF-STATERS !

To Doug and Linda Handshaw who made a generous contribution of \$2,000 in the name of all dogs past and present who have loved the meadow, and particularly for **Jackson**, one of their favorite neighbor dogs.

