



Madison Meadow News

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New Dog Clean Up Bag Box!



Thank you to Craig Haines for building a dog clean up bag box for the Meadow! Please bring any extra plastic bags you have and help us keep the box full.

And thank you to Susan Jerde for all of her hard work in keeping the tree seedlings watered this summer!

The Meadow is for Lovers



On July 12th, 2008 Nicholas and Cye Lea Larson were wed in the Meadow, in the shade of the walnut tree. We have also learned that a marriage proposal was made and accepted in the Meadow this summer. Two more families with heartfelt attachments to the meadow. . .

Fundraising Update!

We are so close! Just **\$3,500** left to go! Help us get to that last dollar! Send your donation today to:

P.O. Box 50743
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Meadow Spirits are Back



The Meadow Spirits are making a limited return engagement! Artist Susan Jerde will custom-craft a spirit for you, with your colors and theme, for a \$50 donation to the Meadow. Help us pay off our final small loan with unique treasures for yourself, friends, or family members. These were very popular last Fall; fun and a little spooky. Call or email Susan if you're interested at 345-3653 or susanjerde@yahoo.com.

Native Rose Ventures into Meadow



A native wild rose was discovered poking up in the Meadow this summer, near the south central edge. We'll protect this small shrub and look forward to seeing it flourish in the tapestry of native plants we hope to establish.

Yard Sale Report



The Annual Madison Meadow Yard Sale in July provided plenty of great finds for shoppers from near and far, netting \$1,300 for the Meadow. Thanks to all of the volunteers who made the sale possible!

Newsletter Frequency Changing

Starting this month the Madison Meadow Newsletter will be published every other month. Look for it again in November!

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.

Butterfly Update



As many of you know, Madison Meadow is supporting NABA's project to bring Monarch butterflies back into the Willamette Valley. Our butterfly garden, complete with both feeding and nectar plants, has blossomed beautifully.



John Hogan recently discovered Monarch larvae at the Elkton Butterfly Garden and brought some up to us. We have eight larvae living in four one gallon glass jars, feasting on fresh milkweed leaves. Two one gallon jars need to go back to their home duty pretty soon. Please be on the lookout for one gallon jars for next year's larvae.

Currently, one of the larvae is hanging in its cocoon, maturing into an adult butterfly. The others are slowing down their eating. It is late in the season and very cold at times. These larvae may not make it this season, but we have learned a lot in our very first step towards establishing a Monarch tribe in Madison Meadow.