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First 12 years of Hill and Lake Press saw outpouring of volunteerism, community engagement, and fun.

By Michael Wilson

There may have been some quiet corners in Minneapolis during the 1970s and '80s that had few significant issues or residents committed to addressing them. Lowry Hill, East Isles, Kenwood, and Cedar-Isles-Dean were definitely not on that list.

Never ones to accept the adage that "when all is said and done, there's a lot more said than done," a group of Lowry Hill and East Isles residents decided in early 1976 to start a neighborhood newspaper to build community, report on issues, improve the neighborhoods, and also have some fun. Thus it was that the first Hill & Lake Press appeared in March, 1976. Kenwood quickly joined in, as did Cedar-Isles-Dean a few years later.

"A lot of us were younger, first-time homeowners who had recently moved into the neighborhood," recalls Win Rockwell, a HLP co-founder who was living in East Isles at the time, later moved to Lowry Hill, and now lives in Cedar-Isles-Dean. "Housing prices were generally more reasonable back then, and we all wanted to put down roots and raise our kids here."

There were already well-established neighborhood associations, and long-time residents had been active for years in addressing issues of concern. "What we all brought was an additional burst of energy and a renewed determination to work to make our Hill and Lake neighborhoods into the kind of places we could call 'home'," Rockwell said.

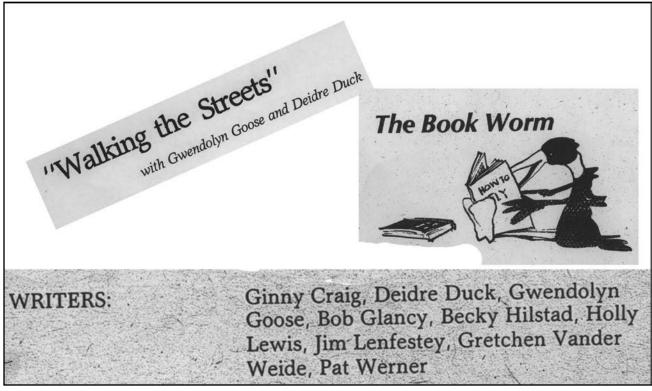
Excellent reporting, editing, and design

As reported in last month's Hill & Lake Press the mid-1970s saw a surge of new neighborhood newspapers in Minneapolis and St. Paul, and across the country as well. In 1978 there were 38 neighborhood papers in the two cities alone. The Twin Cities Neighborhood and Community Press Association, which HLP cofounder Jim Lenfestey helped start, held annual awards banquets for years recognizing journalistic excellence. (Hill & Lake Press was routinely among the top winners.) Today most of those papers are gone.

From the start HLP could call upon a cadre of talented writers, imaginative editors, and untiring production crews. Hill and Lake residents, then as now, had connections and knew who to call to get the facts about an issue. If there were legal aspects to be explored, there were many lawyers in the neighborhood to consult. If there were political aspects to stories – and there almost always were – HLP could call on regular contributors including Dee Long, Pat Scott, Parker Trostel, Allen Spear, and Barbara Carlson. Respected mainstream press reporters including Dulcie Lawrence and Margaret Morris also wrote for HLP.

The Special Collections department at the Hennepin County downtown library (the former Minneapolis Central Library) maintains a complete set of all old and current issues of Hill & Lake Press – more on that later. Reading through the old issues, one is struck again and

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Species bias rampant during early HLP years

Although the geese living around Lake of the Isles figured prominently on the pages of Hill & Lake Press right from the very first issue, they were kept nameless even as successive writers interviewed them and documented their legitimate concerns. Even when members of the goose community authored articles themselves, they were not accorded the courtesy of a byline. Many complained privately that the goose drawings which peppered HLP's pages were little more than caricatures.

Things finally came to a head in 1981 with the formation of GUANO – Geese United Against Non-Resident Oviparians. The geese ultimately succeeded in their struggle for recognition and respect when HLP's editors – enlightened folks in every other regard – decided in September 1984 to embrace species inclusivity and added two leading representatives of the Goose + Allies community to the Masthead. Hill & Lake Press thus became the first and, as far as we know, the only newspaper in the country to endorse full equality among winged and non-winged bipeds alike.

Gwendolyn's and Diedre's last article appeared on December 1, 1984, shortly after they left our fair neighborhood for warmer climes.

Artist: Roger Boehm. Story: Michael Wilson

SAVE THE DATE!

JUNE 14, 2016

for the festive 40th anniversary neighborhood celebration of THE HILL AND LAKE PRESS Where the biggies leave off...'

If you've ever worked for the HLP, stay tuned!

Never-before published 1930s aerial photos of Minneapolis neighborhoods may go online.

By Michael Wilson

Interest in a treasure trove of never-before-published 80-year-old aerial photographs of Minneapolis neighborhoods, first seen in last month's Hill & Lake Press, has swelled to the point that moves are afoot to make the entire collection available online to the public.

The images were taken in the early 1930s by noted aerial photography pioneer Joe Quigley, hired by the Minneapolis Public Schools' facilities and planning department to document all 111 school buildings in use at the time and to scout out sites for further expansion. The photographs were never intended for viewing by the general public and have languished for years in boxes and file drawers at North Star School, once the largest elementary school in the state and now a ware-

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Lunch with Lisa

Lunch with Lisa at St. Thomas Minneapolis Opus Hall 201 is on April 27; the topic "Energizing Public Spaces". Meet Joan Vorderbruggen of Hennepin Theater Trust and learn about "Park Lots", public art installations, and other Hennepin Avenue initiatives. Please contact Lisa's office if you would like a lunch reserved. 612-673-2207 or Ruth.Weakly@minneapolismn.gov

\$10.00 lunch is offered. Discussion starts promptly at noon. Come early to get a good seat.

In May, there will be a focus group re: Tourism Master Plan, on June 29, there will be a field trip touring Givens Violins. Be sure to register for these events.

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April 23 9 am to noon
Kenwood Rec Center
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Park Siding Park Gardening

Saturday, May 21, 9:00 a.m. - Noon Park Siding Park, 3113 W. 28th St.

Join CIDNA's volunteer gardening team. No gardening experience necessary. Tools will be provided. Help is needed all season, so mark your calendar for the following Saturday mornings: June 25, July 23, August 27 and September 24. Details at www.cidna.org

Beach Clean Up Crew

Do you love Cedar Lake South Beach? Help us keep the beach clean by joining the new Beach Clean Up Crew. The crew will meet monthly. Volunteers needed. Contact info@cidna.org.

CIDNA Annual Meeting, Wednesday, May 11, 5:45 pm socialize; 6:15 meeting begins, Jones-Harrison Residence

HAPPENINGS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD

April 23, 9 am to noon Earth Day Clean-up
May 21, Park Siding Gardening
April 27, Lunch with Lisa
April 30 9 am - 5pm; May 1 1pm - 5pm
Minneapolis Home Tour Free
May 13 City Council Resolution honoring HLP
May 14, June 11, July 9, August 13, September
10, and October 8. Thomas Lowry Park
cleanup 10:00 am to noon.

June 14 HLP 40th anniversary party 5:30

KIAA Annual Gathering May 2 6 pm LHNA Annual Meeting May CIDNA Annual Meeting May 11, 5:45 pm

Neighborhood monthly meetings CIDNA: 2nd Wednesday 6pm Jones-Harrison EIRA: 2nd Tuesday 7pm Grace Community Church

KIAA: 1st Monday 7pm Kenwood Rec Center LHNA: 1st Tuesday 7pm Kenwood Rec Center

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Meet your Neighbor Stephen Dean

Craig Wilson interviews Stephen Dean about his career, retirement and closing of his tailoring business, which as been located at Penn Ave S and W 21st St for the past 40 years, founded in the 'bicentennial year' of 1976.

Where did you grow up? I grew up out in Burnsville.

How did you become interested in becoming a tailor? I was a clothing salesman at Arthur Koritz in 1972, which was located in Northstar building in downtown Minneapolis. The master tailor from Arthur Koritz was from Italy and took me under his wing, like a son, and taught me almost everything he knew.

How did you come to found your own business? After Koritz I went to work as a tailor at Dayton's in 1974. At Dayton's I learned how to work fast. After a few years at Dayton's, I started this business in the basement of a relative's triplex at W 31st St and Emerson Ave S. Eventually I found this space at Penn Ave S and W 21st St., with a very reasonable rent, and I decided to give it a shot! In 1976, I opened this location—40 years ago!

How has the neighborhood changed over the years? The houses have gotten a lot more expensive! From the original clientele to their children and now

their children's children—I've been tailoring three generations of neighbors.

What made you decide to retire? It's been FORTY years! (Chuckle) I don't know what I'll do with the second half of my life but it's got to change.

Do you have any plans in store for retirement? No.

Do you live in Minneapolis? Yes, in south Minneapolis by the Lunds in Uptown.

What are some things that people may not know about you? I have two dogs—Kenny, an English Setter, and Dolly, a Goldendoodle. I'm also an avid TV watcher

Any favorite shows? The old Westerns are kinda fun...and Netflix.

What will happen with the space? Louise Erdrich of Birchbark Books will be taking it over. I'm not sure what she's planning on—I think it will be an extension of the bookstore for things that they didn't have room for

How has the clothing industry changed over the years? Oh, it's constantly changing: wide pants/narrow pants, short skirts/long skirts, narrow lapels/wide lapels. I sometimes think the manufacturers want to just

change it so that certain people look out of date.

Have you noticed a difference in quality or materials over the years? Yes, the quality's not the same unless you go into the really expensive suits like Hickey Freeman. You get a good suit there but you pay a big price. So much other clothing is made overseas now that it's...well...it's changed.

What's the most common request for tailoring? Right now it's weight gain—to let out. (Chuckle)

Do you have any recommendation for other tailors, now that you're retiring? No, 'cause I've never had to use one. If they wanted to find a good tailor, they could go online to www.ztailors.com. That's a referral service.

Any advice for 'must haves' in people's wardrobes? No. I'm kind of a Banana Republic fan.

Anything else you'd like to share? My employees were really well trained and are happily finding new jobs.

Well a lot of people are very sad to see you go. Oh yeah, people have been coming in daily sharing this.

Best wishes to you Stephen Dean and thank you from the Hill Like Press and Community for your 40 years of service.

Hill and Lake Press Columnist, the Urban Coyote, Featured at Book Event

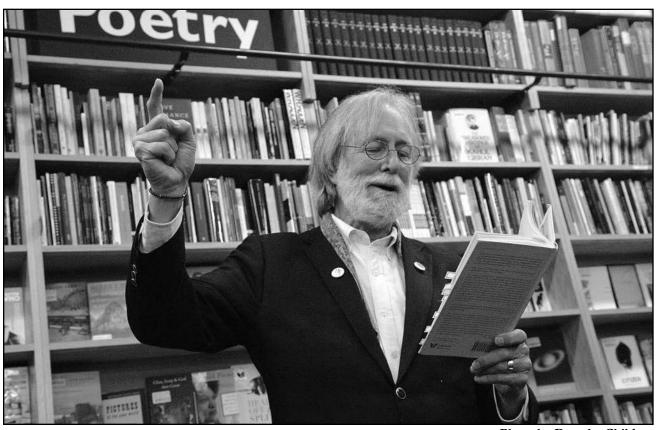


Photo by Dorothy Childers

Poet, journalist and HLP columnist James P. Lenfestey, read and told stories at Magers and Quinn on Monday, April 11 about his epic journey to China, from his memoir "Seeking the Cave: A Pilgrimage to Cold Mountain." Lenfestey said he discovered more than history, geography and literary traditions, but also his identity as writer and poet. Signed copies of his book are available at Magers and Quinn Booksellers and Birchbark Books.

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Show continues through May 28.

Jerry Van Amerongen's wit and surreal humor have been featured in newspapers for 36 years in The Neighborhood and Ballard Street. He is author of 15 books and a two-time winner of the Best Cartoon Panel of the year award. This is a first ever show of his paintings and original art.

Hill and Lake Press

Celebrate our 40th! Plan to attend the Minneapolis City Council meeting on May 13 at 9:30am when the Lisa Goodman sponsored Resolution for 40 years of Hill and Lake Press is announced.

And don't forget our 40th Anniversary Birthday Bash on June 14. For all, including former kids, who has been associated with Hill and Lake Press. Friends are welcome too.

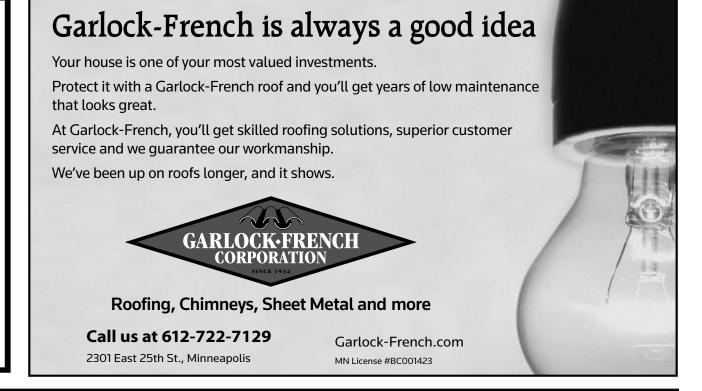
Thomas Lowry Park

Friends of Thomas Lowry Park remind neighbors that gardening season is upon us. Help is needed to make the Park beautiful again after a long winter.

Gardening volunteer dates are Saturdays from 10 am to noon: May 14, June 11, July 9, August 13, September 10, and October 8.

Your help is needed to clean, rake, and prune, while you enjoy the fresh air and the beauty of the Park.

See you at the Park!



Never-published aerial photos from 1930s provide birds-eye views of our Hill and Lake neighborhoods

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house and repository for district support functions and old school records.

As reported in last month's HLP, district enrollment rocketed from 54,000 students in 1916 to a peak of 90,073 in 1933, an increase in just 17 years of 36,000 students – equal to the entire district enrollment of today. District officials were working overtime back then to find ways to accommodate the flood of new faces. The aerial photographs were one of their planning tools.

Fast forward to 2016 and to the remarkable volunteer efforts of Peg Carlson, a retired MPS media and information technology specialist described by former Burroughs School librarian Nancy Hennen as "tireless" and having "a heart of gold." Carlson has taken on the enormous task of saving and organizing hundreds of boxes and file cabinets of old MPS photos, documents, and memorabilia.

Although Carlson is known to historians and preservationists such as Ted Hathaway, senior librarian and manager of Special Collections at Hennepin County Library, and StarTribune writer and columnist James Eli Shiffer, they were unaware of the Quigley aerials. Minneapolis City Clerk and history buff Casey Carl and Christian Rummelhoff, assistant city clerk in charge of the Records and Information Management Division, likewise had never seen the Quigley aerials before the March Hill & Lake Press broke the news.

Hathaway is currently in talks with Chad Carr, manager of Real Estate and Business for the district, for Special Collections to take over conservatorship of the photo archives, which also include boxfuls of beautiful and very old glass-plate photographs. Hathaway is stressing that not only will the general public benefit from being able to examine all these photographs; students will be able to access them too for History Day projects and other purposes.

Last month's HLP carried aerial photos of the Lowry Hill and Cedar-Isles-Dean neighborhoods. To examine those photos as well as the two photos printed on this page of the Kenwood and East Isles neighborhoods, go to our website (<hillandlakepress.com>), click on "Past and Present Issues," and open the PDF version of this or last month's issue. Use your computer's "Zoom In" command to examine these remarkable images in as much detail as you want.

Check out also the outstanding collection of aerial photos at the U of MN's Borchert Map Library (<www.lib.umn.edu/apps/mhapo/>). Note however that the earliest aerials in the Borchert collection date from 1938. The Quigley photos are five years older – and you saw them first in Hill & Lake Press!



Noted aerial photography pioneer Joe Quigley used a high-quality Fairchild camera and 8x10 negative film to capture remarkably clear images of school properties and their neighborhoods across all of Minneapolis. (Photo: Minnesota Aviation Hall of Fame, courtesy of Noel Allard.)

Kenwood School



Joe Quigley's remarkably crisp photo of Kenwood School shows a largely undeveloped Kenwood Park outlined in white. The reason is unknown; certainly the school district wasn't planning to acquire part of the park for school purposes. Note that Franklin and Penn avenues meet at right angles at the corner of the school property. Taking a slice of parkland on the northeast corner in order to build Kenwood Rec Center was a battle that would be fought in the 1970s. St. Paul's Episcopal Church wasn't built on the corner of Logan and Franklin until 1956, as Kathy Kullberg recounts in her March 2016 article.



West High figures prominently in this photo of Uptown and the southern end of the East Isles neighborhood. Calhoun School is on the right, facing Girard between Lake and 31st streets. Zoom in to see Jefferson Jr. High on the left at West 26th and Fremont; the property that is now the Jefferson playground was in private hands back then. Note that The Mall connected directly to Hennepin Avenue. The 29th Street trench – today's Midtown Greenway – was an active freight rail line.

Photos: Minneapolis Public Schools, courtesy of Peg Carlson. Captions: Michael Wilson



Peg Carlson, retired MPS media and information technology specialist, shows Ted Hathaway (left), senior librarian and manager of Special Collections at Hennepin County Library, and HLP writer Michael Wilson (right) some of the hundreds of previously unpublished aerial photographs of Minneapolis neighborhoods dating from the 1930s. The collection currently resides in cardboard boxes and file cabinets in an unused MPS former elementary school.

Photo: Chad Carr

Spring in the City

By Susan Lenfestey

I was on my way to Kowalskis on the Saturday before Easter. I'd like to say I was walking or biking, as I often do, but this time I was in my car because it was chilly and because I was going to buy far more than I could easily carry home, including dozens of eggs for their annual dye bath.

At the intersection of Fremont and 22nd, I noticed a bit of a commotion in the Temple Israel parking lot. There was an ambulance and a few police cars with gumballs flashing clustered around the only two vehicles in the parking lot, a small floral delivery van and a white nondescript sedan.

Neighbor, I could not resist pulling into the lot. I'd like to tell you I was there to offer help, but other than getting my junior Red Cross lifeguard certificate in high school, I am medically useless. I once keeled over on to the cold hard floor of the ER when they stuck a needle into my son Max's broken wrist to numb it up before resetting it. I remember telling him it would be all right, and then I was on a gurney next to his.

No, I drove in just for the sheer busybody, curiosity of it. What the heck was going on? As I looped past the

back of the white sedan, the medics dragged a large limp body out of the back seat and onto the pavement and began thumping on his chest. My shameless gawking does have its limits, so I pulled past the scene and angled my car in a way that would give me a clear view of the drama playing out before me.

There were two other men nearby, clearly distressed. One leaned against the car as if dazed, pulling up his shirt and scratching his stomach. The other, pale, lanky and very young, paced back and forth waving his hands at the sky as if carrying on a dialogue with god. A cop came over and talked to each one, more calming than accusatory it seemed to me, and I was grateful for that

After the cop went back to his squad car I went over to the lanky boy to ask if he would be okay. He was someone's baby once, someone's son. He gestured towards Hennepin, "I live near — over there . . ." Then he wailed, "I just do lots of weed, man I don't do that sh**, I didn't want to bury my brother . . . "

I said his brother was getting help, they were lucky they had come into this parking lot.

A small group of neighbors and Temple Israel staff had gathered nearby. It seems the florist's van was there with a crew setting up for a wedding later that day. The junked up kids had pulled in next to the van, probably a life-saving lucky decision. One of the florist crew got the security guard, who called 911.

The limp body on the pavement, now with an IV attached, began to moan and tried to sit up. The medics hoisted him onto a gurney and into the ambulance. His buddies continued to pace in broken circles. The florist maneuvered around the medics and pulled boxes of fragrant flowers from the van.

Soon the ambulance would be gone, the lot would be full of wedding guests, and a young couple, surrounded by friends, bursting blooms and shared hope, would vow to spend their lives together.

I went on to Kowalskis to buy Easter eggs and chocolate bunnies and tulips. Even in a life full of embarrassing riches it's important to find renewal, hope and promise in small things.

Organics

By: Michael Cockson & Phil Hallaway

It was 6:30 a.m. Morgan Knox dashed down her driveway hoping no one would see her in her bathrobe. She maneuvered the grey bin to the curb just in time. The garbage truck was lumbering down the street.

"Is it recycling day today?" she wondered. The blue bin, placed dutifully on the curb across the street provided her answer.

The scene puzzled her. Standing between the industrial grey trash can and the baby blue trash can was a shiny green trash bin!

Welcome to organics recycling in Minneapolis! Organics make up as much as 25% of our garbage. Now instead of burdening landfills, organics can be recycled weekly and reused.

Signing up is simple. Call 612-673-2917 or email SWRcustomer@minneapolismn.gov. You'll receive a green organics recycling cart. Organics can then be collected in compostable bags and deposited in the green monster.

Get a free gift! Residents who sign up will receive a starter set of bags. Standard paper bags can be used thereafter or purchase certified compostable bags from a grocery, hardware, or large retail store. Bags labeled biodegradable, oxo-degradable, earth friendly, or recyclable are not accepted.

Place the bags in your green cart, and place it next to your garbage and recycling carts on your regularly scheduled garbage day. Pick up is done weekly.

What materials can be placed in the organics recycling cart? All food, food-soiled paper and certified compostable products. So, soup to nuts; coffee grounds and filters; pizza boxes; napkins and paper towels; paper egg cartons; hair and nail clippings; cotton balls and swabs with paper stems; houseplants and

flowers; tea bags; wooden items like chopsticks, popsicle sticks, and toothpicks; and other compostable products labeled with the BPI or Cedar Grove logos or the term "compostable."

Not everything is recyclable. Don't even think about including these items in your green bin: yard waste; diapers and sanitary products; animal and pet waste, litter or bedding; cleaning or baby wipes; grease or oil; Styrofoam; dryer sheets and lint.

In the baby blue recycling bin include cardboard, glass, metal, paper, and plastic. You can include frozen food boxes; microwave popcorn bags; gum; fast food wrappers; and products labeled "biodegradable."

Grey bins are reserved for household garbage. However, yard waste and hazardous materials are prohibited from inclusion in the garbage bin. A list of hazardous wastes and their method of disposal is provided on the City's solid waste website.

The city needs interested volunteers to pioneer Organics Recycling. Sign up to be a Recycling Block Captain (high school students, did you hear this?!). Recycling block captains will be given a yard sign that identifies them as the resident recycling "expert" and are expected to spend two hours over a 3-month period sharing recycling information with their neighbors. You can also request a Recycling Staff person to attend your block party. Contact Laura Horner at laura.horner@minneapolismn.gov or sign up online at www.minneapolismn.gov/organics

As of Monday April 4, 2016, 34 % of Minneapolis Solid Waste & Recycling customers have signed up to participate in the program.



Photo by Dorothy Childers

Board Chair, Scott Thomas-Forss of the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis joins new Executive Director Michelle Basham at a recent open house event at The Bridge for Youth.

Fix-It Tech Events:

A free community technology education event providing computer hardware repair, education and tech support.

Schedule & Flyers Friday, April 22, 1:00 - 5:00 pm Twin Cities R!SE 1301 Bryant Ave N Minneapolis, 55411 Thursday, May 19, 1:00 — 5:00 pm

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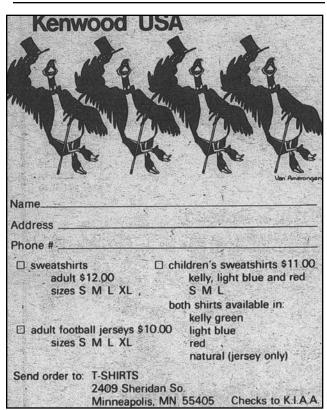
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again by the quality, depth, and breadth of the reporting on neighborhood issues both big and small. The current fierce controversy over SWLRT has called forth much splendid reporting in the pages of HLP over the past few years. Far from setting a new standard for knowledgeable reporting, though, all of us current contributors are in fact simply carrying on a tradition begun 40 years ago.

From the start Hill & Lake Press was a true neighborhood endeavor. Over the past few weeks I have researched the Mastheads of all 108 regular issues from March, 1976 (Volume 1, #1) through December 1987 (Volume 13, #4). Consider the following figures:

- an impressive total of 429 people worked on those first 108 issues;
- those 429 people showed up an aggregated 3,980 times to put out the paper;
- 94 people worked on at least 10 issues during those
- at an estimate of 8 hours per person per issue, with the editors and production staff working a great many



"Kenwood USA" caption:

Artist Jerry Von Amerongen returned to HLP in 1982 with this T-shirt logo. Let us know if you still have your "Kenwood USA" T-shirt!

more, it took a conservatively estimated 40,000 volunteer hours to put out those first 108 issues.

As with all volunteer endeavors, a core group came together month after month, year after year, to spearhead each issue's publication. According to the Mastheads, Susan Lenfestey worked on 99 issues, followed by Jim Lenfestey (97 issues), Ginny Craig (95 issues), Gary Weissman (92 issues), Susan Harper (89 issues), Tom Clarke (88 issues), Gary Cohen (87 issues), and Holly Lewis (81 issues). [Note: these totals go only until December, 1987, and do not give due credit to the many other folks who continued to show up reliably in the years after that.]

Managing editorship duties were rotated among a small group of stalwarts, usually four throughout the year, one from each HLP neighborhood. "If it was your turn, you probably spent no fewer than 50 hours assigning, receiving, and editing stories and photos," recalls Holly Lewis. "You had to get them typed - or later, word-processed; figure out the layout, host layout people for three late nights, and drive the flats [finished pages] to the printer in Shakopee. If you were also researching and writing some of the stories, that took even more time."

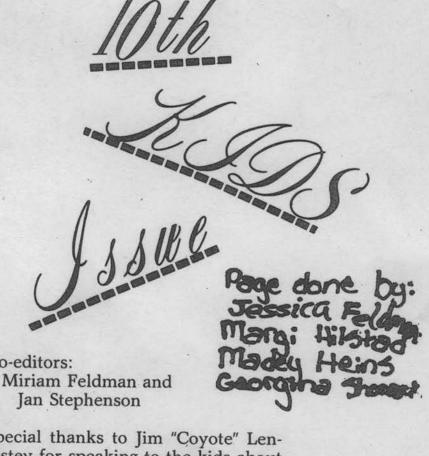
Ginny Craig remembers that it took at least a couple of nights for layout in the early years, along with lots of time on the phone in those pre-text and email days. Susan Lenfestey adds that "it was a big undertaking. We also had planning sessions to go over the existing issue



KIDS WHO WORKED ON H.L.P.

More than 11,000 people live in HLP land, more than live in most towns in Minnesota, Jim Lenfestey told this year's Kid's Issue staff. Lenfestey, a founder of the 11-year-old neighborhood gazette, talked about why we report on neighborhood news. "The Star & Tribune doesn't have the resources to cover all of the events that take place in our neighborhood," he told the group. "Our neighborhood is very lucky" to have a newspaper to communicate the happenings in our part of the city, he said. Story on page 2.

This year's cubs: Jessica Feldman Madeleine Heins Candy Jackson Emily Johnson Joy Lawrence Rachael Knodell Alice Asher Laura Mandeville Georgina Shorrock Justin Page Kamie Page Andrew Bean Sage Lewis Blake Longacre Matt Berde Mayme Hostetter Jack Hostetter Jamie Pfau Annie Fowler Anne Stephenson Co-editors: Jessie Craig Dena Triplett: Jay Mandeville Neali Armstrong Margi Hilstad



Special thanks to Jim "Coyote" Len-Robert Armstrong festey for speaking to the kids about neighborhood news.

The first HLP Kids Issue appeared in July 1978 and quickly became a summertime tradition for scores of Hill and Lake children. Above, the Masthead and staff photo for the 10th annual Kids Issue, July 1987.

and assign (or make up) stories for the next one."

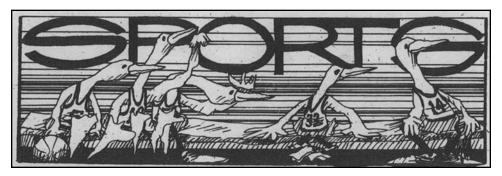
The paper was funded then as now largely by ads. The fondly-remembered Jerry Brennan, assisted by Dee Long and Tom Clarke, handled both advertising and business manager duties for the first four years. Genevieve Ryan came on board in October, 1980, serving first as advertising manager and then as business manager for a remarkable 73 consecutive issues, keeping the books and assisting with taxes and 501(c)3 issues and "other pesky stuff," as Lewis puts it. Susan Harper stepped in two years later in October, 1982, and served as assistant business manager for the next 55 issues.

Mary Claire Schultz took over advertising manager duties in November, 1984, and filled that time-consuming, crucial role for the next 32 issues.

And even the best paper isn't worth much if it doesn't get delivered. Mary Chorske handled deliveries throughout East Isles for an astounding 86 of those 108 issues, followed closely in Kenwood by the tireless Granville and Rosemary Lawrence (80 and 59 issues, respectively). Rosemary also wrote for HLP and served as circulation manager.

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First 12 years of Hill and Lake Press continued



Tom Scott came on board as HLP's Sports Editor for 20 issues, starting in October 1980. Wood Foster took over the position in November 1984, and by the end of 1987 had covered the sports beat for 32 consecutive issues.

Artist: Roger Boehm

'Kids Issues'

July 1978 saw the publication of the first Kids Issue, a tradition that carried on for many years. Hill and Lake youngsters got the chance to brainstorm features and articles, then write, draw, design, lay out, and produce the issue (with benevolent adult support, of course).

Longtime HLP stalwart and editor Holly Lewis says that Jim Lenfestey came up with the original idea for a Kids Issue and asked her to organize it. "I went to visit the legendary Miss Westby's English class at West High School and picked up a few teenagers there," Lewis recalls. "Neighbors contributed their 7-10 year olds and off we went. It was always a large messy event — both the planning meeting and paste-up. We always tried to make it a learning experience too and most summers had practicing journalists come to a special night to explain what they did and answer the kids' questions. Lots of parents helped organize the kids, thought up story ideas, and guided them in writing stories and doing the three nights of layout."

Lewis remembers being at a dude ranch one year when a Kids Issue came out and, getting to know Donald Graham of the Washington Post, she showed him the Kids Issue. She reports, "and he said he thought it was a fine publication."

Jim Lenfestey remembers schooling the Kids Issue staffers in the meaning and importance of community and neighborhood involvement, ideas that Blake Longacre (age seven and a half) conveyed in Kids Issue #10 (July, 1987):

"I want to tell you the story of the Hill and Lake paper. Long, long ago, about 1000 years ago when the dinosaurs lived, there were no people and no newspapers to read. Somehow, the dinosaurs died. Then people started coming. Buildings were made. Then there were enough people around to call it a neighborhood. A wonderful person named Holly Lewis was born and when she was old enough to know what she was doing she made a paper. Other people told other people about the paper. It got the whole neighborhood excited because the stories were good and the pictures were fun. People would take the papers around so that everyone would have their own. Even when there were not a lot of people to help Holly, Holly Lewis kept the presses going. She got some other people to help so she wouldn't be the only one. She has done so many papers

To Our Readers

From its beginnings over a year ago the staff of the <u>Hill</u> and <u>Lake Press</u> has aimed to inform and entertain the neighborhood with news and features drawn from the life of our <u>Lake</u> of the Isles community.

We are a newspaper of volunteers. Accordingly, we are only as good as the people who are willing to contribute their time. If you see something we are not doing which we should be doing, come tell us about it...or offer to help. There is no dull task and no excitement at the Hill and Lake Press that we are not willing to share with you. But remember that if something isn't being done it may be because you are not doing it.

This issue is our ninth, the first issue in our second full year. To

This issue is our ninth, the first issue in our second full year. To date well over 150 people have contributed time to the HLP. No community such as ours can be successful without a constant flow of new blood. We hope we will continue to see new faces at our planning meetings, writing articles, laying out the paper, taking pictures or selling advertising in the coming year.

Happy Valentine's Day from HLP. . where the biggies leave off. The Editor

As HLP begins Volume 2 in February 1977 the editors restate the paper's purpose and encourage broad community participation.

- more than you can think of. I want to thank her and all her helpers who work so hard. Yeah you guys."

Annie Fowler and Anne Stephenson, both age 9 and classmates at Kenwood School, provided a somewhat more accurate HLP history in the same issue:

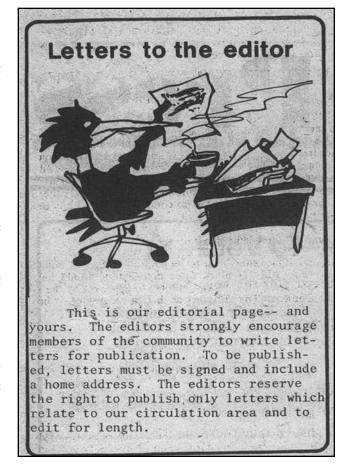
"Jim Lenfestey came to talk to the children who were writing in the Kid's Issue this year. He was the real original person to start the Hill and Lake Press. We started out talking about why we don't always see something from our neighborhood in the Star and Tribune, because it's the main paper in Minnesota and there are lots of neighborhoods in Minnesota. Then he asked us, 'What makes a neighborhood?' and we decided that people, houses and stores make a neighborhood. Jim Lenfestey has a column in every Hill and Lake Press called The Urban Coyote. We also talked about what makes a journalist and he said that paper, pens and sunglasses all make a journalist. The Hill and Lake Press is 11 years old."

"Community" became so important to Anne Stephenson Moratzka that she and husband Andrew now live in East Isles. Their oldest child will start at Kenwood School in the fall.

High spirits and high jinx

Talk to HLP alums from the first 12 years and the first thing they invariably bring up is the fun they had. Indeed, the high spirits and occasional high jinx were the glue that kept such a large group going and the magnet that brought 429 neighbors together to produce the paper. The annual parties became legendary, always featuring sing-alongs from Gary Weissman's HLP Songbook (including "This Rag Is Our Rag" and "Layout Time," sung to the tune of "Summertime").

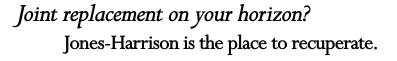
The late-night layout sessions were fueled by "good eats and a great deal of hilarity. Crazy headlines were a speciality" remembers Gretchen VanderWeide. "Baked goods from Lunds," recalls Candace Dow. "And chocolate, and beer," adds Ginny Craig. "It passed in a blur," says Jim Lenfestey. "Of joy. Coffee. Camaraderie. Sleeplessness. Ok, some wine." "It was good fun," sums up Susan Lenfestey, "process not product, journey not the destination."



A harried editorial goose – too much coffee? too many late-night layout sessions? – reminds readers of the early HLP letters policy. **Artist: Roger Boehm**

Michael Harper appeared on the Masthead for years as Bailiff. "My main duty was to maintain order at meetings, especially annual meetings," recalls Harper. "I was chosen to be bailiff, I think, because I was large and forbidding (relatively) and unwilling to share in the work involved in putting out a paper. I was an authority figure in the KIAA neighborhood even before I became

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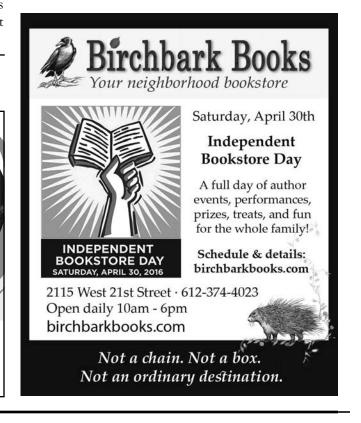
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AUGUSTUS L SEARLE, GRAIN MERCHANT, DEAD AT 91

AUGUSTUS L SEARLE, GRAIN MERCHANT, DEAD AT 91 read the headlines of the February 5, 1955 Morning Tribune. Augustus Leach Searle, "who arrived in Minnesota at 19 with a new bride, a new job and 50 cents in his pocket, died Tuesday in Minneapolis as he was nearing his 92nd birthday." Then a noted civic leader, philanthropist, and collector of Asian art and jade, Searle left behind several lasting legacies. He built the mansion at 1917 Logan Avenue South, now the parish house for St. Paul's Episcopal church. Most notably is also a major portion of the jade collection at the Minneapolis Institute of Art, of which Searle was an original founder and long term trustee for over 24 years.

In 1927, surprising his longtime friend, Russell Plimpton, the director of the Institute, Searle invited him to look over his personal collection of jade snuff bottles, then offered them to the museum. Today, along with other successive donations, the Searle collection accounts for many of the treasures at MIA, including imperial jade bowls, figurines, boxes and ceremonial scepters.

But how did this man with 50 cents in his pocket become such a wealthy contributor to a world renowned institution?

Augustus Leach Search was born in Lyons, NY, in 1863. At a young age his family moved west to Michigan but his father died just three years after arriving. At 19, Searle found himself employed at a cabinet maker's shop and with a new bride, Elizabeth Finkler. The pull of heading west to a new life was strong and the couple moved to Battle Lake, Minnesota, where he quickly found a job buying wheat. In the 1880s wheat was the crop of the decade and flour mills and silos soon began springing up across the plains of the west and Canada. Soon there were three children born to the couple: Rosabell, Florence and Stewart.

Searle moved quickly up the grain business working as a traveling superintendent for the Minnesota and Dakota elevator companies, holding executive positions in Canadian firms and becoming a major stockholder in others. A consolidation of the companies in 1928 brought Searle in control of over 400 elevators in Manitoba, Saskatchewan, and Alberta provinces. That year also saw the Searle Terminal Ltd., company incorporated at Fort William, Canada. He was once quoted as saying "There never has been enough flour produced to feed the whole world." Until just before his death at age 91, Searle still went to work in his 12th floor office in the Minneapolis Grain Exchange.

Of course, every great man's story crosses tragic events as well. While he was on a business trip in June of 1912, his first wife, Elizabeth, died after succumbing to internal injuries suffered after falling down the stairs at their home at 1812 Fremont Avenue South.

Just the month before, in May, their son Stewart was saved from near drowning on Lake Calhoun when a canoe he was in with two other boys, capsized in the chilly spring waters. Fortunately a park employee was nearby and after hunting for another boat, the man rescued the exhausted boys clinging to the overturned canoe.

In 1914, Searle remarried to Helen Smith Gardner, a Minneapolis widow with two teenage daughters, Katherine and Evelyn. The couple took up residence at the Leamington Hotel in Minneapolis while planning to build a new home combining their families and their love of European history. The large English Tudor revival home at 1917 Logan Avenue South with ballroom, smoking room, en suite baths, and grand gardens on the northern end of Lake of the Isles was the result. The home was designed by the New York City firm of Trowbridge and Ackerman in 1915 and completed in the fall of 1916. The Searles purchased period style reproduction furnishings in New York City from the Hayden Company and decorated with art and jade acquired on various trips to Asia, Italy, and Europe.

One daughter, Katherine, married at St. Paul's then located at Bryant and Franklin Avenues, in April of 1922, and another daughter, Evelyn, was married in the



Augustus Leech Searle



Helen Searle

house in October of the same year to George Appleyard of Lake of the Isles Boulevard. Son, Stewart, served as an ambulance driver in France during WWI and later managed the Canadian Searle elevator company.

Mrs. Searle was also a very active participant in the community and national affairs. In particular, she was very active in promoting the women's vote and was elected third vice President in 1917 of the Hennepin County Woman Suffrage Association. October 1917 found Mrs. Helen Searle, appointed general manager of the suffrage white elephant sale, 'marshaling her forces of management'. The Tribune dutifully reported that "Mrs. Searle spends several hours of each day on the telephone calling up her friends and the members of the Hennepin County association asking them for the contents of their attics and storerooms, and in consequence a larger store than ever of good wearable clothing, both men's and women's, as well as house furnishings, are coming to be marked..... Mrs. Searle has just returned from the East, where she has been studying shop management methods or similar sales and will call her managers together at an early date for final arrangements."

Besides the love for his second wife, Helen, and his family, Searle really liked to fish, read Mark Twain, and memorize poetry. In the winters the couple headed to La Jolla, California where they had a second home. While there he became a founder of the La Jolla Art Center and was a director of the San Diego Institute of Arts.

Noted for telling stories, he often recounted of two near death experiences. One happened about 1948 while the 85 year old Searle was returning on an airplane from Europe when one of the engines caught fire. The passengers put on life jackets and opened the emergency doors while several men stood by with life rafts. About then the burned engine fell off the plane which kept flying back to Ireland. "When we were still in the air 20 minutes later, I decided we'd make it, so I went back to sleep," he said.

About a year after that, during his annual winter sojourn to La Jolla, Searle helped save a man from a burning house. Searle was then 86.

Searle's second wife, Helen, died in 1942, but he continued living alone at 1917 Logan until his own death in 1955. Undoubtedly well respected, his list of honorary pall bearers read like the who's who of



Searle Mansion at 1917 Logan Avenue South

Minneapolis society and included James Ford Bell, C.T. Jaffray, Cargill MacMillan, John G. Ordway and Valentine Wurtele.

The mansion, with many original furnishings, and the church at 1917 Logan Avenue South will be a major stop on the upcoming Minneapolis- St. Paul Home Tour, Saturday, April 30, 9am – 5pm, and Sunday, May 1 from 1pm to 5pm. Docent led tours will be given throughout both days. Admission is free and entrance begins in the church Undercroft. Handicap parking is available as well as an elevator to the main floor.

Kathy Kullberg, historian and St. Paul's Episcopal Church parishioner 2016

See the March 2016 issue of Hill and Lake Press for Kathy Kullberg's story about St. Paul's Episcopal Church and its history.



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Kenwood Isles Area Association pays tribute to Jim Gilroy

The Kenwood Isles Area Association mourns the passing and celebrates the life of board member Jim Gilroy. Jim was a wonderfully kind and thoughtful person who contributed so much to our neighborhood, as well as to many other important organizations in the community. We will miss him terribly and extend our deepest sympathies to his wife, Deb, and the rest of his family and friends.



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Goodman authors City Council resolution honoring Hill & Lake Press

Hill & Lake Press co-founder Jim Lenfestey, managing editor Jean Deatrick, and writer Michael Wilson paused under the marble gaze of the great Father of Waters statue in the City Hall rotunda on April 7 after conferring with 7th Ward City Council Member Lisa Goodman and Policy Aide Patrick Sadler. Goodman is enthusiastically preparing a Resolution honoring Hill & Lake Press for 40 years of service to the community and will present the Resolution to the full City Council for adoption at its regular meeting on Friday morning, May 13.

After their meeting with Goodman and Sadler, the trio were given a VIP tour of Minneapolis City Archives and the top of the City Hall bell tower by City Clerk Casey Carl; Christian Rummelhoff, deputy city clerk; and records management specialist Josh Schaffer.

Everyone who has contributed to Hill & Lake Press over the past 40 years and all HLP supporters are encouraged to attend the May 13th City Council meeting, which starts at 9:30 am. Let's pack Council chambers for this singular honor!

Photo: Josh Schaffer. Story: Michael Wilson.



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EAST ISLES RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

By Donna Sanders, Neighborhood Coordinator

Annual Meeting April 12, 2016

Board Members Present:

Andrew Degerstrom- President

Brian Milavitz-Treasurer

Nicole Engel-Nitz- Secretary

Bill Elwood

Pete Mason

Amy Sanborn

Mike Erlandson

Bruce Larson

Committee Chairs Present

Dave Bryan

Betsy Allis

Harvey Ettinger

Staff: Donna Sanders, Neighborhood Coordinator

6:30 p.m. Social hour and Hors d'oeuvres

7:00 p.m. Welcome and announcements:

Andrew Degerstrom EIRA President.

Community Speakers:

Council Member Lisa Goodman

Yard Waste Pick up has started

Hennepin Avenue construction update. www.hennepinlyndaleproject.com

Lunch with Lisa, Wednesday, April 27, 12:00 p.m. University of St. Thomas

Hill Lake Press is turning 40

Walgreen's project: owner has made some design changes. More brick, less metal.

State Representative Frank Hornstein

The legislative session is at the 50% point. He wants to see more discussion on transportation.

Senator Scott Dibble

Two tax bills didn't pass so the state has a surplus. He too would like to see more discussion on transportation.

Reports

Treasurer's Report, Brian Milavitz

Funding is primarily from the City of Minneapolis Community Participation Program Neighborhood Revitalization Plan (NRP) and neighborhood donations.

2015 Income/Expenses

Gross Income:

- 2015 CPP Allocation: \$25,859
- Donations & Other Fundraising: \$4,042.74 Total Gross Income: \$29,901.74

Expenses:

- 2015 CPP Expenses: \$18,809.25
- NRP Phase I: \$8,606.25
- NRP Phase II: \$1,490.11
- Other: \$2,936.57

Total Expenses: \$31,842.18

2015 Net Income: -\$1940.44

NRP Steering Committee, Mike Erlandson

The committee is looking at ways to spend the remaining NRP dollars.

Ideas include: East Isles warming house remodel, Mall improvements: create a more pedestrian friendly environment: more lighting, sculpture, benches. Send your ideas to: mikeerlandson@gmail.com

Zoning & Land Use Committee, Dave Bryan

Dave gave an update on the new Walgreens site at 2650 Hennepin. Originally, when the committee received the design plans for the store, they consisted of a one story, very contemporary design with a 24 hour pharmacy window drive up and the entrance facing the parking lot not Hennepin. The neighborhood was very unhappy with the plans and because the Minneapolis City Planning Commission (CPC) was required to review the site plan on March 8, the committee members appealed to the City. Because the parcel was zoned C2, there was nothing we could do about the one story or drive through, however, the committee requested a taller building with more brick, use of stone accents, roof cornices and different window configuration plus a discussion on the street entrance facing Hennepin not the parking lot, and bike racks closer to the entrance.

The Planning Commission agreed with the neighborhood and sent Walgreens and the building owner back to the drawing table. The CPC required the owner provide a site/design plan that would be a better fit for the neighborhood. The building owner and developer were very receptive to the Zoning Committee recommendations and included them in their revised proposal. On April 11, the CPC approved the plan contingent on the main entrance being moved within 25 ft of the corner at 27th & Hennepin.

Transportation Committee, Pete Mason

Success of getting the Adopt-a-Greenway portion of the Midtown Greenway from Lake of the Isles to Hennepin. Will work with other committees (likely Green Team and Social) for actual cleanup.

Success of walking tours getting small improvements to neighborhood sidewalks (mostly asphalt patches to trip hazards)

Social Committee, Amy Sanborn

Planning has started for the very popular, well attended annual Ice Cream Social in August. The EIRA Social Committee has been hosting a neighborhood Ice Cream Social for many years. The goal of this event is to attract as many residents as possible. They gather together for a few hours, meet new neighbors, talk, eat, and feel like a community.

Each year the social committee changes this event a little bit in order to attract new residents and more residents. In 2015 the date of the ice cream social was moved earlier in the summer in an attempt to grab more people before they took off on August vacations. This seemed to work and about 400 residents came to the ice cream social. This was more people than other years and the ice cream ran out earlier than ever!

The petting zoo, fire truck, and inflatables have always been popular attractions. In the past few years, the addition of a jazz band and more information tables has increased the number of attendees without kids. This is a great opportunity for us to educate neighbors on EIRA's mission.

Green Team Committee, Betsy Allis,

There are many Green Team events and projects planned in 2016:

22nd Annual Earth Day Clean-Up

Saturday, April 23, 9:30 a.m.-12 noon

W 27th Street & E. Lake of the Isles Parkway

May 21 (9-12 noon):

Annual Plant Swap

Side yard at 2871 Humboldt Ave on The Mall. Questions? Contact Susan stylecolordesign@gmail.com.

July 28 (6-9 p.m.):

Tour the iconic Solar Tiny House at the Annual Ice Cream Social at Triangle Park!

Community Solar initiative to subscribe East Isles residents in MN Community Solar along with 16 other Lake Street area neighborhoods.

Partnership with the Lake Street Energy Challenge to encourage residents to get energy audits and sign up for community solar.

Support local efforts to promote the City's new organics recycling program.

Parks Committee, Harvey Ettinger The Mall

Still awaiting approval from MPRB to move ahead with purchase/installation of new park benches (delete "fences"). EIRA proposal sent to MPRB in April 2015.

Stakeholder gifts from Uptown Business Association & CPM Group (awaiting response from People for Parks).

Triangle Park

MPRB approved installation of (2) picnic tables deleted from 2012 renovation project. Additional boulevard trees to be planted.

Lake of the Isles

Structural pruning of trees and shoreline to open up views to the lake.

P35 new trees

Continuing renovation of turf

MPRB 5 Yr Capital Budget:

Walker Library Park (\$347,500 (2021) Smith Park (\$220,000 (2019-2020)

Park Dedication Fees

assessed on any developments in Minneapolis at time building permit is issued. Must be spent for park improvements in same neighborhood where fees were paid.

Total Assessments to Date: (\$87,000): 2915 Irving / 2915 James / 2324 Emerson / 1714 W Lake

By-laws change, Bruce Larson

The EIRA Board recommended changes to their by-laws at their March 8 board meeting. Motion: to approve the by-laws. Approved

Nominations & Outreach, Bruce Larson

Committee chair Nancy Johnston was unable to make it to the meeting so N & O member Bruce Larson gave the update. Three new directors and two new alternate board members were recruited plus 9 existing

Board Member Elections

Board Members

Andrew Degerstrom- President

Nicole Engel-Nitz-Secretary

Brian Milavitz

Peter Mason

Bruce Larson

Mike Erlandson

Nancy Johnston Amy Sanborn

Julia Curran

John Grochala Steve Havig

Alternates:

Kent Kramer Laura Murphy

Approve 11 Director candidates by acclamation. Approved

Approve 2 Alternate candidates by acclamation. Approved

Interactive discussion and group exercise regarding neighborhood goals and priorities

There were four poster boards listing East Isles goals. Meeting participants were asked to vote by placing a sticky dot by the individual items. Votes are in ().

Parks

- (12) Mall Improvement
- (13) Viewing dock on the eastside of the Lake
- (14) Warming house remodel
- (15) Continue Lake of the Isles upkeep (6) Promote walk ability
 - (3)
- Continue to increase bike paths and maintain the Greenway
 - 15) Traffic calming
 - Transit improvements

Environment

- Community Gardens
- sustainability Encouraging more with Developers
 - 16) Explore Lake of the Isles Historic district
 - (8) More composting and recycling

- More social events (7)
- Reach out to renters (9)
- More coordination with other neighborhoods (2)
- Joint fundraising efforts with other neighbor-(1) hoods.

Joyce Murphy

Longtime Hill and Lake resident and artist and editor for Hill and Lake Press was chosen to judge a members show at the Hopkins Center for the Arts. She also is showing two of her drawings in this show. They will be on display for the next three weeks. The Hopkins Art Center Gallery is a large white building located at 1111 Main Street in Hopkins MN

CEDAR ISLES DEAN NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

By Monica Smith

BOARD MEETING MINUTES, April 13, 2016

The meeting was held at Jones-Harrison Residence. Board members in attendance: Vice Chair John Wessinger, Secretary Rosanne Halloran, Leila Brammer, Steve Goltry, Barbara Lunde, Elaine May, James Reid, and Mike Wilson. Staff: Monica Smith

Vice Chair John Wessinger called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Announcements

Earth Day Clean Up is April 23, 9:30 a.m. – noon, Cedar Lake at W 25th St.

Three new homes will be built in the neighborhood: 2728 Chowen, 2732 Chowen and 2936 Chowen.

The 5th Precinct Open House will be May 17, 5:00-7:00 p.m. at 3101 Nicollet Ave S.

CIDNA's liability insurance was renewed.

Council Member Lisa Goodman, Ward 7

Street sweeping began this week and will continue for four weeks. Find out when your street will be swept on the city's website: minneapolismn.gov.

Yard waste pickup has started for the season. Yard waste must be out by 6:00 a.m. and be bundled, bagged (Kraft or compostable bags), or placed in a reusable container with handles.

Lunch with Lisa for the next three months: Wednesday, April 27, noon at the University of St. Thomas, Terrance Murphy #255. The guest speaker is Joan Vorderbruggen of Hennepin Theater Trust. Wednesday, May 25, the topic will be the Minneapolis tourism master plan. Wednesday, June 29 will be a field trip to Givens Violins (sign up required).

The City Council is working on options for the Park Board's funding needs for neighborhood parks.

NRP/CPP Report, Monica Smith

On April 6, the Park Board approved a plan for proposed improvements for Cedar Lake South Beach. Funding needs to be secured to implement the improvements.

Dates have been set for Park Siding Park gardening: May 21st then the 4th Saturday of each month through September, 9:00 a.m. – noon. Volunteers needed. The CIDNA Board approved \$200 to provide coffee/snacks on the gardening days. CIDNA renewed the Park Steward Agreement for 2016. NRP funds will be used to pay for needed supplies (<\$100).

Neighborhood and Community Engagement Commission seats from neighborhood districts 2, 4, 6 and 8 are up for election through the neighborhood election process. The applications can be found on the city's website; deadline is May 13.

Barbara Lunde reported that two new benches were installed at Cedar Lake South Beach.

The next committee meeting is Wednesday, April 27, 3:30 p.m. at Rustica.

Park Dedication Fees, Claire Ruebeck

CIDNA representatives met with the Park Board to gain a better understanding of Park Dedication Fees, a city ordinance that went into effect January 1, 2014. Developers pay a fee (\$1500 per residential unit) to be used to enhance/expand parkland. Funds are to be spent in the neighborhood where the fees were generated. The Park Board will ultimately decide the use of the funds (with neighborhood input). Development in CIDNA has generated \$373,500. The CIDNA Board will need to develop a process for providing input on potential uses of these funds.

2015 CPP Annual Report

The board reviewed a draft of the 2015 CPP annual report. Additional input was provided and the CIDNA Board approved the report for submission to the city.

Hill and Lake Press, Mike Wilson

The neighborhood paper is celebrating its 40th anniversary. There will be a gala party on Tuesday, June 14, for everyone who has written for or helped produce HLP over the past 40 years, including all the children (now adults) who participated in the Kids Issues. Check

the April and May editions of HLP for more details. All neighborhood residents are invited to attend the City Council meeting on Friday, May 13, at 10:00 am where CM Lisa Goodman will introduce a Council Resolution honoring HLP for its 40 years of service.

Game Night at Park Siding Park

The board approved a budget of \$700 (using mostly CPP funds) to host a game night at Park Siding Park on Wednesday, June 15, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Kenwood School

The CIDNA Board approved a donation of \$200 for the Kenwood School carnival on Saturday, May 14.

Annual Meeting

CIDNA's Annual Meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 11, 5:45 p.m. social time; meeting begins at 6:15 p.m. at Jones-Harrison.

Loop Calhoun Condominium, John Wessinger

The Loop Calhoun has sustained an additional \$500k in damage from the construction of the Trammel Crow project on Lake St. The Loop filed a Summons and Complaint against the developer and builder.

Midtown Greenway Coalition, Mike Wilson

A \$345 million reconstruction project for I-35W from 42nd Street into downtown will begin in 2017 and is expected to last for four years.

A project open house will be held on Tuesday, April 19, 6:00-8:00 p.m. at the Colin Powell Center, 2924 – 4th Ave S.

Pedestrian Safety Committee, Steve Goltry

The West Calhoun Neighborhood Council annual meeting is May 10 and will focus on safety.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Next meeting

The next meeting is the annual meeting on Wednesday, May 11, 2016, 5:45 p.m. social time; meeting begins at 6:15 p.m. at Jones-Harrison Residence.

Note to CIDNA residents: sign up for our monthly e-newsletter by sending a request to info@cidna.org.

Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board passes new herbicide use measures

New measures will help track herbicide application in parks, reduce glyphosate use and evaluate using goats for invasive species control

Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board (MPRB) Assistant Superintendent for Environmental Stewardship Justin Long presented findings from the 2016 Minneapolis Parks Herbicide Use Report to members of the Board of Commissioners Operations and Environment Committee at the March 16 MPRB Board meeting.

The report identifies the MPRB's current use of pesticides and herbicide, catalogs practices and includes recommended modifications for implementation. Highlights from the report:

Liquid herbicides consistently reduced in parks and natural areas

The amount of liquid herbicide used and the number of acres on which it is applied decreased dramatically since the MPRB adopted its formal Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Policy in 2008. In 2008, 702 gallons of liquid herbicide was applied to 400 acres. In 2015, 15 gallons of liquid herbicide was applied to 51.2 acres. Of those 15 gallons, 3.2 gallons were applied by MPRB staff; the remaining 12.8 gallons were applied by licensed third parties including contractors and conservation groups.

Solid herbicides address athletic field conditions at specialty sports complexes

In an effort to improve the condition of specialty sports athletic fields, dual "weed and feed" herbicides are used to ensure that weed and insect control do not exceed the thresholds, or acceptable levels of weeds, set in the IPM Policy. Solid herbicide is applied preemptively to prevent weeds or diseases from establishing and reduces the need to eradicate fully grown plants or pests. Dual herbicides/fertilizers are also used in formal gardens.

Note: Golf course greens, fairways, and tees have a lower threshold for weeds and pests than parks and natural areas. As a result, there is greater usage of both solid and liquid herbicides than in general parks, parkways and athletic fields.

System-wide measures approved by the Board of Commissioners

After considering the Parks Herbicide Use Report

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CIDNA ANNUAL MEETING!

WEDNESDAY, MAY 11, 2016

5:45 P.M. REFRESHMENTS & SOCIALIZING 6:15 P.M. MEETING CALL TO ORDER JONES-HARRISON RESIDENCE

MEETING AGENDA:

- Updates from elected officials
- Learn about CIDNA Board activities, events, and programs
- Hear about land use projects in the neighborhood
- Elect CIDNA Board members
- And more!

GET INVOLVED AND MAKE YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD EVEN BETTER!

CIDNA Board elections will be held at the Annual Meeting; run for an open board seat! Email **info@cidna.org** and/or visit **www.cidna.org** for more information.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Park Siding Park Gardening Saturday, May 21 9:00 a.m. - Noon

Park Siding Park, 3113 W. 28th St. Join our volunteer gardening team. No gardening experience necessary. Help is needed all season, so mark your calendar for the following Saturday mornings: June 25, July 23,

CIDNA Game Night Wednesday, June 15

August 27 and September 24.

6:30 - 8:30 p.m. **(tentative date)** Park Siding Park, 3113 W. 28th St.

Games for all ages: ping pong, bocce ball, board games, and more. Socialize with neighbors while enjoying refreshments and music. Check www.cidna.org for date confirmation.

Beach Clean Up Crew

Do you love Cedar Lake South Beach? Help us keep the beach clean by joining the new Beach Clean Up Crew. The crew will meet monthly. Volunteers needed. Contact info@cidna.org.

www.cidna.org

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LOWRY HILL NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

By Susie Galiano, Board Member

Lowry Hill Neighborhood Association Board Minutes Tuesday, April 5, 2016

Present - Board Members: Phil Hallaway, President; Dan Aronson, Treasurer; Michael Cockson, Vice President; Tom Huppert; Emily Beugen; Mark Brauer; Baygan Hartzheim; Clint Conner; Sarah Janecek; Susie Galiano; Jennifer Bickett

Present – Non-Board Members: Representative Lisa Goodman; Suzanne Shaff; Scott Shaffer; Kathy Gaskins, Barry Lazarus, Cathy Powell, John Getsinger, Michael Tkach, Robert Thompson, Evan Stern, Emily Doolittle.

President Phil Hallway called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. A quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes: Mark Brauer moved and Tom Huppert seconded approval of the minutes of the March 8, 2016, Board meeting. All approved.

Community Announcements (Councilmember Goodman): Councilmember Goodman reported regarding May "Lunch with Lisa" topics. In May, there will be a focus group re: Tourism Master Plan, on June 29, there will be a field trip touring Givens Violins. Spring street cleaning schedule will take place in April and May and street yardway pickup will be Monday April 11. The Hill and Lake Press celebrates its 40 year business anniversary and will be honored by the city. Articles will be signed and digitized. Ms. Goodman's office is searching for a replacement Pedestrian Advisory Committee appointee.

Treasurer's Report:

Robert Thompson (City of Minneapolis, Neighborhood and Community Relations) - Mr. Thompson presented LHNA with a handout entitled Lowry Hill Neighborhood NRP and CPP Remaining Funds. The handout summarized money allocated, used, and currently available for community projects. Mr. Thompson also presented the group with a handout entitled Policy for Expenditure of NRP Funds and briefly reviewed the document.

Dan Aronson 2015 Annual Report: Mr. Aronson reported that LHNA is in good shape financially. LHNA's Annual Report for the 2015 Community Participation Program is due April 29th. It must include a financial statement and a section on goals.

Dan and Phil circulated the draft text in advance of next month's meeting. A motion to approve the report was made and seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

Directors and Officers Insurance has been approved.

Committee Reports:

Environment:

a. Thomas Lowry Park (Anita Tabb MPRB; Barry Lazarus- Friends of TLP):

Ms. Tabb stated that Thomas Lowry Park is a formal park, relies heavily on volunteers for upkeep, including Friends of Lowry Park. LHNA discussed the possibility of funding picnic tables in the park. Mr. Lazarus and Ms. Tabb indicated that while MRRB and Friends of TLP would appreciate donations from LHNA, other improvements took priority at this time, for example updating bricks on the path (bricks are a tripping hazard for elderly and infirm pedestrians), extension of the existing irrigation system, updating pools, replacing trees, plants and pavements. Moveable chairs or benches would be preferable to picnic tables. Residents John Getsinger and Cathy Powell indicated that picnic tables would bring more traffic to an already congested area.

Directly following this discussion, Ms. Janacek moved for LHNA to fund two picnic tables. The motion was not seconded and therefore dropped.

LHNA agreed to continue the discussion later. LHNA agreed that there was a strong desire amongst the group to designate some funds to improve the park. LHNA discussed visiting the site along with MRRB and Friends of TLP.

Zoning and Planning:

a. 1900 Colfax (4 story new construction project). A developer has filed an application for construction of a new 4-story, 5-unit residential building on the southern half of 1900 Colfax Ave., next to the F. E. Day House, a locally designated historic site. The Historic Preservation Commission met on Tuesday, March 22 at 4:30 p.m. in room 317, City Hall to discuss the application. Clint Connor and Sarah Janacek attended. Mr. Conner explained that at the March 22 meeting, there were a number of people who opposed the project. Accordingly, the HPC committee continued the meet-

ing until April 19, at which time further public discussion will occur.

b. Burch Restaurant and Bradstreet Craftshouse. Mr. Connor explained that Burch management had recommended that LHNA gather data regarding parking and delivery issues that have been experienced on Colfax near Franklin Avenue. Mr. Connor and Mr. Cockson will follow up.

Crime and Safety: Rebecca Graham reported that the committee is no longer receiving crime reports. She will follow up with the police liaison to see why the crime reports are no longer being provided.

Events:

Annual Meeting and New Members: The annual meeting will be held at the Scottish Rite Temple. Topics to be discussed at the meeting included business, treasurer's report, electing new members. Committee heads will discuss projects. Mr. Hallaway indicated that a possible schedule could include tours of the site from 6 pm. to 7 p.m. and the meeting to begin at 7 p.m. Individuals interested in joining the Board include Chas Scheidener, Suzanne Shaff, Scott Shaffer, Tony E'Eramo, Evan Stern, and Jimmy Fogel. LHNA requires new treasurer and secretary.

Removal of Board Member Ruth Shields: Mr. Hallaway raised the subject of removing board member Ruth Shields under Article IV Section 6 of the LHNA Bylaws, which sets forth that any member who misses more than 3 meetings in a row may be automatically removed. Ms. Shields has missed substantially more than 3 meetings in a row, and thus a motion was made to remove her, seconded and approved.

New Business:

LHNA's next Board meeting will be at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 3, 2016, at the Kenwood Rec Center. All residents are welcome. Everyone is encouraged to visit the LHNA website at www.lowryhillneighborhood.org, and sign up to receive LHNA's monthly E-Blast about events in the neighborhood. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 9 p.m.

KENWOOD ISLES AREA ASSOCIATION

By Shawn Smith

April 2016 KIAA Meeting Minutes

KIAA Board met April 4th, 2016 at Kenwood Rec Center

Vice Chair Larry Moran called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Directors present: Vice Chair Larry Moran, Treasurer Ed Pluimer, Matt Spies (Minutes), Angie Erdrich, Mike Bono, Jack Levi. Absent: Chair Jeanette Colby, Shawn Smith, Josine Peters, Jim Gilroy. Also present: Lisa Goodman, Jean Deatrick

Unanimous Approval of the Agenda

City Council Update – Lisa Goodman

Upcoming Lunch with Lisa's:

April 27 – Discussion with Made Here, the creative place-making initiative to fill empty downtown store-fronts

May – Bill Leaf will talk about tourism master planning

June – Field trip to Claire Givens Violin, premier violin reconstruction/repair; 40 people may attending in two groups of 20. Contact Lisa's office if you would like to attend.

Street sweeping starting April 13 running through May 9

Yard waste pickup will begin in Kenwood on April 11

Lisa highlighted the state of the Hennepin/Lyndale Reconstruction Project road closures

On April 21, Board of Adjustment will be hearing

variance for property at 2401 Sheridan Ave. Adjacent residents will receive a notice in the mail by April 10th.

Lisa provided an overview of her and Council Member Barb Johnsons plan for the city to work with the Park Board to provide funding for neighborhood parks

Annual Gathering - All

The Annual Gathering will be Monday May 2nd at Kenwood Corner. All neighbors are invited to attend. The meeting will include a brief meeting: the election of the KIAA Board and a recap of association activities for the year. This has been a fun annual event in the past couple of years, so please plan to come out and meet your board and connect with neighbors.

The meeting will be announced via Hill and Lakes, the Spring Newsletter, and Next Door.

As an action taken between meetings, the board approved the hiring of Red Wagon Pizza, and will be paid for by KIAA funds estimated at \$1890.

2016/2017 Budgeting

The board discussed the merits and limitations of creating a budget for the 2016/2017 operating year. The primary concern and is the complexity of the requirements for using various funds.

Matt Spies will coordinate an assembly of board members to explore ways to implement a framework for spending and raising KIAA funds.

New Business - All

Park Board has indicated that they do not have

capacity for an additional movie in the park for summer 2016.

An Oriole feeding station will be installed in Cedar Lake Park between May 3 – May 17 by Kenwood Elementary School students. The project is sponsored by Birchbark Books. Bird watching volunteers are needed. Contact Angie_Sandeep@yahoo.com

NOTE: The following information was approved to be added to the minutes by a motion taken after the meeting.

Southwest Light Rail Transit – Shawn Smith (update provided in abstentia)

Since the March KIAA meeting, letters opposing the current SWLRT Kenilworth Plan were sent to Governor Dayton, Lt Governor Smith. An aide in Governor Dayton's office responded and assisted in getting a response from Adam Duininck, Chair, Metropolitan Council. The letter thanked KIAA for our participation in the process and informed the following points:

The Final EIS will be published in 2nd Quarter of 2016, and no other responses will be forthcoming until then. In the EIS will be the answers to KIAAs (and others) DEIS and SDEIS responses.

There will be a ten day public comment period

There will be no process for resolution of further concerns as this is not a part of the process of the

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Neighborhood Parks Resolution Cruises to Minneapolis DFL Support

Delegates at the Minneapolis DFL City Convention voted overwhelmingly in favor of a neighborhood parks funding resolution. The support of the Minneapolis DFL comes at a critical time--as the City Council prepares to vote on the Johnson-Goodman Agreement.

"While parks are a nonpartisan issue, we are pleased that the Minneapolis DFL shares our belief that neighborhood parks are important and deserve new funding," said Save Our Minneapolis Parks Chair Mark Andrew. "Considering that 12 of 13 Minneapolis City Council Members belong to the DFL Party, we hope this acts as additional incentive to take action and fund our parks."

The final text of the resolution reads: Be it resolved that the Minneapolis DFL supports placing a neighborhood parks referendum on the 2016 general election ballot (and favors its eventual passage) and supports the Johnson-Goodman Agreement as an alternative method to fund our parks, provided they advance racial equity

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National Environmental Protection Act process.

Shawn expressed to the aide in Governor Dayton's office that securing a form response from Mr. Duininck was secondary to our concerns. He asked for Governor Dayton to confirm that he was aware of and supports or does not support the following:

That a derailment collision between an ethanol train and light rail train will be a significant danger to the community and Target Field.

That other less expensive and more flexible options for transit exist, including bus rapid transit

That the Chain of Lakes could be degraded due to pile driving

The Met Council is a defendant in a lawsuit over failure to disclose discussions of other routes

That ridership of an Uptown line would well exceed the current alignment

That projected ridership figures at 21st St Station are not credible

That there will be 22 hours of contiguous noise every five minutes in one of the quietest areas in Minneapolis

That not one low income neighborhood will be within reasonable walking distance of any Minneapolis station.

We asked for an appointment with the Governor. There was no response. Shawn waited ten days and said that because the Governor failed to respond, we would need to inform our constituents that our elected officials and the Governor are aware of the above controversies and find them to be acceptable.

The meeting was adjourned by Vice Chair Larry Moran at 8:36 p.m.

Updates: If you are interested in receiving monthly email updates, please email us at kiaa55405@gmail.com. Also please visit our website at kenwoodminneapolis.org to learn more. If you are interested in participating on the Board, please contact us.

The next Kenwood Isles Area Association Board meeting is our Annual Neighborhood Gathering on Monday, May 2nd at 6 p.m. at the Kenwood Corner in front of The Kenwood and BeArtrageous. Monthly meetings are held on the first calendar Monday of each month unless otherwise noted. KIAA invites and encourages participation by every resident to each program, service, and event organized by KIAA. Should you require an accommodation in order for you to fully participate, or if you require this document in a different format, please let us know by contacting us at kenwoodminneapolis.org

sand upon the waters

By Tom H. Cook

Snapchat Betting On Bitstrips Appeal. Firm reportedly plans to pay \$100 million for app that puts avatars into emojis. —Los Angeles Times March 26, 2016

I take false pride in reading the daily newspaper cover to cover (by cracky). In truth I gloss over articles that do not re-enforce my increasingly shaky world view. I also give short shrift to subjects I do not understand. I read the LA Times business section story by Paresh Dave with my head cocked liked a large dog unsure whether he is about to go for a walk or to the vet's office. Emojis, which are an annoyance I have a superficial understanding of, are being customized and the resultant bitmojis will provide the user a unique way to pass on greetings, get well wishes, and eviction notices. Somewhere bitmojis' great grandfather (a circle with two dots and a dash) known as Smiley Face is looking on with pride and no doubt an insipid grin.

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A few years ago I was in a lengthy, pleasant, but ultimately futile discussion with Eddie, a service rep for an unnamed long distance carrier (all right, it begins with a V). Eddie and I were laughing it up, talking about customizing and re-bundling my package so my monthly bill would not be mistaken for the national debt projections. We were being recorded for training purposes but I really thought we had a good rapport. Since he was laughing at my jokes I never mentioned cord cutting or threatened to install aluminum foil wrapped rabbit ears on my roof. I offered to give up the Gardening Channel and 50 Croatian-Filipino stations in exchange for Showtime (so I could watch Homeland). This was a nonstarter. Looking for things to cut, Eddie mentioned off handedly that I was paying two dollars a month to

have an unlisted land line. More on principle than actual cash savings, we decided to axe it.

Did I mention that JoAnne (the editor) was not home when Eddie and I were doing our business? When she found out a few days later, you would have thought I had unleashed the Hounds from Hell. The unlisted number keeps the telemarketers at bay! As she was near tears, it didn't seem the time to bring up the two dollars. We redoubled our efforts to get on Do Not Call lists. At first I answered the phone and implored the solicitor not to call again. Some I even told how my wife was becoming unbalanced and inexplicably agitated by the sound of a ringing telephone.

There must have been something in my voice that suggested I really do want aluminum siding, solar panels, or an interest free zirconium (plated) text activated debit credit card which if held under a strontium 90 light (sold separately) will correctly predict eight of the next ten winners of the Kentucky Derby. Finally JoAnne and I stopped answering the land line and began relying on our cell phones. Unfortunately solicitation calls are even beginning to creep onto our cells. I suggested we get "burners" and discard them regularly like on Homeland. I believe JoAnne has forgiven me but is reluctant to take this large a step. Besides, what would I tell Eddie?

Tom H. Cook is still laughing over a line on the radio: "Looking back on my life, I realize that quicksand has not been as big a problem as I thought it would be when I was a child."

Lowry Hill Neighborhood Association — SAVE THE DATE —

LHNA ANNUAL MEETING Tuesday, May 17th, 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Minneapolis Scottish Rite Temple



Please join your LHNA Board for a fun and informative evening on the state of our neighborhood. At this meeting we will give the annual update on LHNA, give you an opportunity to talk to other residents and Board members and elect several new members to the LHNA Board. In addition, you will have an opportunity to tour the Minneapolis Scottish Rite Temple. We will hear from Park Board

NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Superintendent Anita Tabb about events within the neighborhood. There will be a social hour from 6:00 to 7:00 PM, followed by our meeting. Appetizers and a cash bar will be available during the social hour and also after the business meeting until 9 PM. Join in on the fun on May 17th and all year long with LHNA!

FYI: The Minneapolis Scottish Rite Temple lot will not be available for parking so we encourage you to walk if you can.

To learn more about LHNA visit us at lowryhillneighborhood.org

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First 12 years of Hill and Lake Press concluded

Development pressures threaten neighborhood

Light rail transit through neighborhood is temporarily derailed

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S.W. corridor alternatives under study by Met Council

by Ginny Craig

Development pressures and SWLRT challenged our Hill and Lake neighborhoods in the 1980s, just as they continue to do today. HLP writers provided thorough coverage of these and other issues. Astonishing but true, Ginny Craig's article appeared in April 1983. Will Craig's article appeared in October 1984. The development pressures article covered the top half of page 1 in May 1987.

Burnham Bridge debate remains up in the air by Tom Triplett Railroad, city can't bridge disagreement; neighbors rerouted by Gary Cohen Burnham Bridge Is Falling Down... Replacement Raises Questions

Replacement of the crumbling Burnham Road bridge over the Kenilworth Corridor freight tracks was a huge issue in the early 1980s, and HLP writers provided extensive coverage of the controversies and issues involved. With the city dithering, the C&NW railroad shirking its responsibility, and residents unable to reach consensus on traffic issues, the 90-year-old bridge was shut down for good in 1983. Ginny Craig's story appeared in October 1981, Tom Triplett's in April 1982, and Gary Cohen's in September 1983.

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bailiff, being the only person then willing to serve as board President."

"The Bailiff position was an honorific only," clarifies Ginny Craig. "I can't recall that it involved any actual work. The boys usually came up with stuff like that." And yet the newspapers still managed to make it down to the printer in Shakopee on time.

Digitization and the gala party.

Hill & Lake Press issues from October 2005 to the present can be viewed in PDF format on our website. All the older issues, almost 30 years' worth, are archived at the downtown library's Special Collections department, turning brown with age. Senior Librarian Ted Hathaway announced last week that he's been given the go-ahead to digitize the entire collection. Having all issues of HLP available online in a full-text-searchable format will be a boon to alums, current and past Hill and Lake residents, and historians alike. Stay tuned for more details.

And everyone who has contributed to Hill & Lake Press in any way over the past 40 years, including the kids, is invited to the gala 40th Anniversary party on Tuesday, June 14th. See the May issue for more details.

Dorothy Childers contributed to this article by scanning and editing photos and articles.

Charitable Athletic Events—How to Stay On Course From the Office of Minnesota Attorney General Lori Swanson

Charitable athletic events—like walkathons, races, and mud runs—may allow donors to both help a good cause and have the gratification of competing at an athletic event. But not all events are the same. Some events have high overhead, leaving little for charity. And at least one mud run in Minnesota gave no money to the charity it promised to help.

Doing your homework before participating in a charitable athletic event helps to ensure that your participation actually benefits a worthy cause.

HISTORY OF CHARITABLE ATHLETIC EVENTS

So how did charitable athletic events get their start? One of the earliest events was a 1969 hunger walk. The few hundred people who participated in the walkathon raised \$25,000 and raised awareness about world hunger. Since then, such events have become a mainstay of many charities' solicitation activities.

THINGS TO KNOW

Nationwide—and in Minnesota—issues have occurred with some charitable races and athletic events. Things to pay attention to include:

Low Percentage of Donations to Charity. Athletic events can involve high costs and overhead. Organizers have to spend money to advertise and promote the events, reserve their locations, staff the courses, and for insurance, among other things. Participants may be given t-shirts, jackets, tote bags, or medals, all of which cost money. These costs reduce the amount of race fees and donations that go to a charitable purpose.

For-Profit Events that Appear to Be Non-Profit Events. Charities sometimes use for-profit organizers to run an event. The for-profit vendor may prominently use a charity's name to promote the event, but only give a small amount of money to the charity. Participants may believe that they are "sweating it out" for a nonprofit race when, in reality, most of the money stays with the for-profit organizer.

Scammers that Provide No Support to Charities. The Minnesota Attorney General's Office recently filed a lawsuit against a Minnesota man who organized "mud runs" throughout the country. He told participants that their race fees would benefit a cancer charity for young adults. Many runners participated because they had family members with cancer. The promoter took their race fees but gave nothing to the cancer charity.

DO YOUR HOMEWORK

Check out the event to make sure your money and your "sweat equity" will help a good cause in the way you intend. Before participating, you should ask who is holding the event and how the event claims to benefit charity.

How the Event Benefits Charity. There are several scenarios by which a charitable athletic event could potentially benefit charity, each with different issues:

Some charities hold events to raise money to further their own charitable programs. While these charities have an incentive to hold down costs, you should still verify what percentage of your contribution is being used to hold the race, versus going toward the charity's mission.

Some charities hold events to raise money to donate to other charities. In this situation, you should find out the name of the other charity and how much money the event organizer has committed to donate. You should also verify the organizing charity's track record by finding out how much it has donated to other charities in the past.

Some charities hire for-profit "professional fundraisers" to run their events. If a professional fundraiser is organizing the event, it takes a "cut" of your donation for itself. You should ask what this cut is because some professional fundraisers keep the majority of the donations they collect.

Ways to Research Charitable Athletic Events. There are ways donors can find out more about a charity that is holding a race or other event.

An organization called GuideStar makes charities' federal tax returns—called IRS "Form 990"—available for free on its website, www.guidestar.org. Form 990 discloses how much a charity receives in donations, how much it spends on overhead and other expenses, and

whether or not it uses for-profit professional fundraisers to solicit donations.

You may also wish to check if the following organization has rated the charity holding the athletic event:

Minnesota Charities Review Council

2610 University Avenue West, Suite 375 St. Paul, MN 55114-2007

651-224-7030 or 1-800-733-4483

www.smartgivers.org

Contact the Minnesota Attorney General's Office. The Attorney General's Office can answer questions and send you copies of the documents charities and professional fundraisers must file about their finances. You may contact the Attorney General's Office to ask questions about a charitable athletic event as follows:

Minnesota Attorney General's Office

1400 Bremer Tower

445 Minnesota Street

St. Paul, Minnesota 55101

651-296-3353 or 1-800-657-3787

651-297-7206 or 1-800-366-4812 (TTY)

Groveland Gallery National Parks Celebration

Special summer events and exhibitions honoring the 100th anniversary of the National Park Service

Dates: June 11 - August 13, 2016 Gallery Hours: Tuesday through Saturday, 12-5 p.m.

During the summer of 2016, Groveland Gallery is

pleased to present unique programming celebrating the centennial anniversary of the National Park Service. This summer-long series of special exhibitions and events begins with two new shows. America's River, an exhibition of paintings by Thomas Paquette, opens Saturday, June 11 in Groveland's main gallery. Paquette, a Minneapolis native now living in Pennsylvania, commemorates the centennial of the National Park Service with a new series of paintings that highlight one of Minnesota's greatest environmental treasures: the Mississippi National River and Recreation Area. Sea to Sea, a group show by Groveland and guest artists, fea-

tures the mountains, rivers, plains and forests that have

inspired artists at parks throughout the United States.

FRIENDS OF THOMAS LOWRY

By Suzanne Payne and Barry Lazarus

It is Spring and Thomas Lowry Park is primping itself, with the help of the Minneapolis Park and Recreation staff, Friends of Thomas Lowry Park, and some of you, to look as good as it can be until the dark, cold and snowy days and nights envelop this beautiful park.

In Theodore Wirth's 1923 annual report he declared "the little park will be very attractive and in a class of its own on account of its naturalistic effects in the heart of a residential district." Mr. Wirth spoke to the essence of this park.

The TLP Gardening Season Volunteer Dates for 2016 (please mark your calendar) are on Saturdays from 10am until 11:59 am on these dates: May 14, June 11, July 9, August 13, September 10 and October 8. Please come with your kinder and pets to enjoy the fresh air and acquire the satisfaction of being a volunteer. If you are not able to donate sweat and time, Friends of TLP gladly accepts contributions in cash, check, valuable works of art, rare coins and the like. Your donations are tax deductible.

Friends has been working with Commissioner Anita Tabb and the Lowry Hill Neighborhood Association to do capital improvements in the park. The MPRB will gradually replace the dead, diseased or vandalized trees.

The history of trees in this passive park is interesting. In the 1920s the park's original plantings included Mugho Pines, Cedars, Honey-Locusts and Maple. Many of these original plantings have gone to the great garden in the sky. In 1995 with NRP funds, the park was upgraded with many new plants and trees. Added to the original remaining plantings were Lindens, Maples, Hackberry, and Crabapple Trees. The 1995 plantings were part of the Lowry Hill Neighborhood Revitalization Program.

In 2010, People for Parks was bequeathed by a generous individual funds to enable the purchase and planting of 21 new, small trees of which 15 remain. These new trees include three Gingkoes, three Douglas Firs, one Catalpa, five Weeping Crab trees, and three Pear trees. An objective of the 1995 plan was to identify the park as a passive park whose primary use should be a focal point in the historic area of Lowry Hill. The funds allocated to the park improvements totaled \$265,263. However, not all park additions and improvements could be completed. The seven pools, for example, were to, but did not, receive a pump and recycling purification system to improve water quality. The pump was installed in 2004 thru voluntary donations when funds were also raised to turn on the water in the park when money was not available to keep the water circulating. In the last few years the pump has been working with the aid of constant repair.

Friends, LHNA, and the MPRB added an irrigation system and the decorative urn to the park in the last few years. Friends and neighborhood volunteers have also assisted the MPRB in cleaning, planting, and maintaining the park. Now the park has significant needs for capital improvements. The irrigation system should be improved to better cover the entire park's grass, trees, shrubs, and gardens. Currently Friends is seeking an estimate of the cost of the improvements. The brick pavers have deteriorated to the point where they are cracking or missing, and fragmented brick pavers make them unsafe for walking. The MPRB believes all should be replaced and estimates the cost for the replacement could be \$150,000 to \$200,000. Jeff Brown, a Friends board member, and Michael Cockson, a LHNA board member, are looking into alternatives to a complete replacement. Finally, the seven pools are a chronic problem to repair and maintain. In a perfect world, the pools would be replaced with new cement. The estimate on this project from the MPRB could be \$300,000.

The good news is that NRP's remaining allocated funds to LHNA is approximately \$151,500. If these funds are not used, the City of Minneapolis may reclaim them. LHNA has indicated a desire to use some (the amount has not been set by the LHNA board) of these

On SWLRT Franken urges throwing good money after bad

By Michael Wilson

In a non-sequitur filled news conference on April 17, surrounded by developers and politicians, Sen. Al Franken implored state legislators to pony up the remaining \$135 million for SWLRT or else risk seeing the federal \$895 million contribution go elsewhere.

"We want to be the greatest metropolitan area in the country, and the way you do that is to attract workforce ... and one of the top things that young people care about when deciding to locate is transit. And that's the reality," Franken said, ignoring the reality that young people don't care about taking the train to far-out suburbs. What they do care about is transit in the urban core, where they are choosing to live.

Franken asserts that if there is going to be wasteful spending on big ticket projects of questionable value, Minnesota should get its share. This \$895 million federal gift horse needs to be looked in the mouth since it requires Minnesota to commandeer \$895 million of state, county, and local money from transit projects that people would actually use and transportation projects that would alleviate some of our worst congestion

nightmares — projects which are all eligible for federal

Keep in mind that the Highway 100 redo is costing \$60M. The Highway 169 redo in 2017 will cost \$72M-\$87M. And the big kahuna, the massive reconstruction of I-35W which will remove two of the worst congestion points in the Twin Cities and also bring the Orange Line BRT into downtown, is pegged at a mere \$345 million. The \$895 million that some are determined to spend on one 14.5-mile train route would pay for all three of these roads and transit projects and several more throughout the state – with money left over to build the Penn Avenue BRT line through north Minneapolis, which the Met Council has postponed yet again and claims it can't afford.

(Editor's note: the views expressed above, while shared by many Hill and Lake residents, are not necessarily those of Hill & Lake Press.)

unspent funds in the park. Commissioner Tabb expressed a desire to work with LHNA and Friends to fund what projects are feasible to undertake based on what amount LHNA allocates to be used in the park.

The park is heavily used not only by Lowry Hill and Kenwood residents but by persons in Minneapolis and throughout the Twin Cities. Friends, LHNA, and the MPRB are proud of how beautiful the park has shown itself to the public. Friends would be remiss, however, if credit is not given to Bill Payne who has freely given so much time and hard work to water and maintain the park.)

As outlined above, you are hopefully more now more aware of why Friends asks you to donate your time and money. Friends, LHNA and the MPRB hope everyone who enters the park will enjoy the experience and desires to maintain Mr. Wirth's 1923 observation. See you in the park...soon. Also, do not forget the LHNA annual meeting is May 17 at the Scottish Rite Temple. The time can be found in the LHNA website.



KENWOOD CARNIVAL

Saturday, May 14th from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

RAIN OR SHINE! Everyone is invited!

Kenwood Elementary School • 2013 Penn Ave. S.

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LETTERS

To the Editor:

CIDNA actually had its own newsletter for a short period of time prior to joining the Hill and Lake Press. For about 6 months, we had funding to be included as an insert in the Wedge newspaper and distributed it "together". That was my first exposure to "cutting and pasting" a neighborhood newspaper in Greg and Lorraine Scott's attic in Lowry Hill East. I recently had a chance to hook up with Lorraine, as her daughter lives across the street from us in Golden Valley! When that funding ended, I recall going to the board meetings for the three other neighborhoods to "plead" our case to join the HLP and promise we'd provide the requisite editor and volunteers. And, so we did!

When I was an editor, I especially enjoyed doing the April Fools page each year. The stories sounded just true enough to fool some folks every year. My favorite was the year we wrote a story about an exiled dictator's home being set up in a neighborhood mansion. That story actually generated calls to Congressman Sabo's office! Fortunately, the head of his Minneapolis office lived in HLP land and could let the person know: "April Fools".

We moved to HLP-less Golden Valley in 1990, but my folks lived on Drew Avenue until last summer and I never missed an issue as my folks would always make sure to save the current paper for me.

Here's to another 40 years!

Gary Cohen Golden Valley, MN

To the Editor:

Across the nation the number of people who are using solar power is growing at an incredible rate. This is good news for our environment and for our pockets. Here in Minnesota, solar energy per capita has risen 42 percent in the past two years and this increase has produced many new jobs in the solar industry. The rate at which Minnesota is moving towards clean energy options is promising. However, we still have room to improve

Recently, Minneapolis was found to have an installed solar power capacity of 4 megawatts within city limits, which ranked 35th out of 64 cities nationwide in "Shining Cities," a report released by Environment Minnesota. To provide some regional context, Indianapolis was ranked 6th nationwide and 1st in the North Central region with a total installed solar capacity of 124 megawatts. There are numerous benefits of solar power growth ranging everywhere from the reduction of harmful global warming pollution to the creation of jobs.

Minneapolis has the potential to become a leader among major cities in terms of solar power capacity but it will take combined efforts from citizens, businesses, and government officials to make this happen. The city government can aid solar growth by participating in community solar and investing in solar on government building rooftops. Also, the city can make it easier for home and business owners to install their own solar panels by implementing pro-solar policies and incentives. Making solar options easier and more beneficial to obtain will help Minneapolis become a nationwide leader in solar power.

Colin Supple Minneapolis, MN

A copy of a letter I sent to the President of Walgreens re their proposed new store at Hennepin and 27th:

Alex Gourlay, President Walgreen Co. 200 Wilmot Road Deerfield, IL 60015 Dear Mr. Gourlay,



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"I write to express my deep disappointment in Walgreen's plans for a new store in Minneapolis at Hennepin Ave and W 27th Street, two blocks from our house

I understand that the relevant building will be built by a developer, but Walgreens will be signing a 20 year lease. I would not be surprised if the lease has an option for extension or purchase. But regardless of these details, the building will be known as Walgreens and its positives and negatives will reflect on Walgreens. At the moment the negatives far exceed the positives.

There are two issues I would like to raise with you.

1. The design of the project is more appropriate for a suburban location than the middle of Minneapolis. The current design may met current regulatory requirements but it is inconsistent with the City of Minneapolis Uptown Small Area Plan that advocates for the "value and benefits of high quality, well-located, and well-designed urban density."

 $http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/cped/planning/c\\ped_uptown-plan$

2. The current design makes no serious attempt to meet future energy concerns. Our daughter lives in Evanston, Il where two and a half years ago Walgreens opened a Net Zero Energy Store. At the time Walgreens touted it commitment to the environment through its program PURE Walgreens:

PURE Walgreens — for the heath and wellness of our planet," focuses on helping customers get, stay and live well through innovative leadership in corporate responsibility In support of "People Using Resources Efficiently." PURE Walgreens programs focus on making Walgreens a leader in resource conservation, carbon emissions reduction and waste diversion.

Walgreens Press Release, 21 November 2113

I wonder what has happened to this commitment as Walgreens considers a project 400 miles to the northwest.

Since March 1976, The Hill & Lake Press has served the community as a non-profit newspaper staffed by volunteers. Views expressed are not necessarily those of Hill & Lake Press.

Where we are Now By Jean Deatrick

Reading the many stories about the early years of Hill and Lake Press as we celebrate our 40th birthday is very exciting. I missed so much...camaraderie, lessons in how to plan and design a newspaper from scratch, challenges, but mostly the appeal of sharing a goal with friends and neighbors. Although I didn't begin volunteering until a few years before we went electronic, I feel fortunate to be one of this huge group of people.

I hope that all of you who have participated in Hill and Lake Press join us on June 14 for our celebration, our 40th anniversary party.

Our four neighborhoods are strongly partly because of the four strong neighborhood organizations. Board members meet monthly to discuss and make decisions on diverse topics such as SWLRT (always the big one), traffic, housing issues, parks, and any other issue of concern to the residents. The neighborhoods support Hill and Lake Press financially and we are grateful. Thank you especially to the Lowry Hill Neighborhood Association for their generous donation in addition to their yearly fees. They also voted to place an ad each month in Hill and Lake Press. We appreciate their support.

See you May 13 at City Hall for the City Council Resolution honoring 40 years of Hill and Lake Press and on June 14 when we can relax and celebrate.

I urge you to reconsider and renegotiate this project so you can meet these concerns and so that Walgreens will have a building that both it and its neighbors will be proud of."

Craig Swan East Isles

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Bill George to speak on leadership at Literary Witnesses at noon, May 22, at Plymouth Congregational Church.

By James P. Lenfestey

Literary Witnesses is proud to host neighborhood resident and business leader Bill George, celebrating his newest book on leadership, Discover Your True North. The event takes place Sunday, May 22, at noon at Plymouth Congregational Church, 1900 Nicollet Ave, at Franklin. The event is free and there is plenty of free parking.

The former CEO of Medronic, Bill George is a Senior Fellow at Harvard Business School, where he has taught leadership since 2004. He is the author of six best-selling books on leadership, including Discover Your True North.

Earlier in his career, George was a senior executive with Honeywell and Litton Industries and in the U.S. Department of Defense. He has served on the boards of many corporations, and is currently a trustee of the World Economic Forum USA and the Guthrie Theater.

He makes frequent appearances on television and radio, and his articles appear in The Wall Street Journal, Businessweek, Fortune, Harvard Business Review, and other publications. In 2014 he was named one of the "Top 25 Business Leaders of the Past 25 Years" by PBS; and was awarded the Bower Award for Business Leadership from the Franklin Institute. Bill George and his wife Penny, founder of the Penny George Institute for Heath and Healing, live and raised their family in the Kenwood neighborhood.

A Memorable Meal

By Madeleine Lowry

Last weekend we were making plans to meet friends for dinner. Foodie friends. And we had to pick the restaurant. Where should we take them? This was a decision requiring some thought.

We could suggest a tried and true favorite like Lucia's, Burch, Rinata, The Lowry or Café Barbette. Or we could try a new place like Heyday, Nightingale, Spoon and Stable or Butcher and the Boar. (Honestly, I don't know why it's taking us so long to get to these places.)

Going slightly farther afield would avail us of more excellent choices like Bachelor Farmer, 112 Eatery, or Coup d'Etat. But wait—don't they like ethnic food? We could take them to Namaste, Tom Rup Thai, It's Greek to Me or Fuji-ya.

After all that deliberating we ended up at The Kenwood. It was a Sunday evening. "Come early," we told Paul and Barb, "they don't take reservations." And they did, venturing some distance from their leafy Edina neighborhood. We walked over from our house together, taking in views of Lake of the Isles as we went.

The restaurant felt clubby and intimate. We were seated at a lovely quiet table in the corner by the window. Our delightful and knowledgeable waitress previewed the menu and answered all of our questions. She expertly described the differences between the rosé wines on the wine list. We selected a bottle, ordering some of the small plates she suggested, and then settled in and relaxed. A basket of crusty bread added to our contentment.

The wine was skillfully uncorked, offered for sampling and poured. Beautifully composed small plates appeared before us: ahi tuna with a delicate cucumber sorbet, thick white asparagus with a soft poached egg and scent of truffle, rich mushroom soup. We shared tastes of everything. It was all delicious. Our friends remarked on how unexpected it was to find such a high quality eatery tucked away on an unassuming residential street. Across from a school playground, even.

The main courses arrived, stunning presented in their large white bowls. We took photos before disturbing a morsel. Steaming wild boar pappardelle, salmon with crispy pancetta, large white scallops with lobster nage, mussels piled high in a pistou broth. Incredible!

To finish the meal we tried the grapefruit sorbet and salted caramel ice cream selections from Izzy's (probably less expensive than if purchased at Izzy's) and an after dinner liquor. It was the most memorable meal I've had in recent memory—impeccable service, exquisite food and serene ambiance. It was a perfect setting for catching up with old friends.

Apparently Paul and Barb thought the whole experience was pretty perfect, too. As we strolled past the Lake to our house, Barb said, "That was so enjoyable, we should do it again. What are you doing next Sunday, and the next and the next?" We laughed, not taking her entirely seriously. She continued enthusiastically, "We'll show up next Sunday and ask for our 'regular' table. Then we'll call you to come and join us."

We laughed again. This sounded like a great idea to me! But maybe once a month, Barb.

We still have college tuitions to pay for.

Herbicides from page 13

and hearing from the community, MPRB commissioners voted to approve the implementation of four system-wide measures regarding the IPM Policy at its April 6 meeting:

- 1) Establish an IPM committee responsible for annually reviewing MPRB's IPM Policy and implementation practices and providing an annual report with recommendations for improvements to the Executive Team and Board of Commissioners.
- 2) Designate an IPM Coordinator to review annual usage, provide quarterly reports to Executive Team and work with the IPM committee.
- 3) Introduce a finance activity code specifically for herbicide application.
- 4) Establish/select a new recordkeeping system and procedures for documentation.

Additional measures

The board approved two additional measures regarding the IPM Policy at its April 6 meeting:

- 1) Eliminate all products with glyphosate as an active ingredient within neighborhood parks, excluding projects already underway.
- 2) MPRB staff will evaluate using goats for invasive species control in two locations.

Questions from the media Dawn Sommers Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board 612-599-2259 dsommers@minneapolisparks.org



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Save Our Minneapolis Parks Stands Firm, Supports Johnson-Goodman Agreement or Referendum

Save Our Minneapolis Parks supports the neighborhood parks agreement proposed by Council Members Goodman and B. Johnson.

If the Johnson-Goodman Agreement fails to pass, Save Our Minneapolis Parks will launch a citizen petition or ask the Charter Commission or State Legislature to put a referendum on the 2016 ballot.

The compromise agreement delivers a reliable, 20-year funding schedule to address the neighborhood parks crisis with minimal impact on property taxes.



Last week, Mayor Betsy Hodges released her own neighborhood parks plan. Save Our Minneapolis Parks is encouraged that the Mayor has weighed in but has serious concerns with this proposal.

"We are grateful that Mayor Hodges recognizes the need for new neighborhood parks funding," said Save Our Minneapolis Parks Chair Mark Andrew. "However, Save Our Minneapolis Parks has made reliable, adequate funding the cornerstone of its neighborhood parks campaign. Andrew pointed out that the compromise struck with key City Council members reduced the amount requested by over \$4 million per year but preserved the principle of a 20-year rehabilitation program through an ordinance adopted by both the City Council and Park Board. As important, it protected existing funding streams for the neighborhood park system.





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