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Tabb takes Park Board reins following Wielinski resignation

By Michael Wilson

Anita Tabb, Fourth District Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board commissioner and Lowry Hill resident, was elected on Wednesday, July 20, to serve for the remainder of 2016 as board president following the resignation of Liz Wielinski from the post. Wielinski was in the middle of her third one-year term as board president.

Wielinski and board vice-president Scott Vreeland both both submitted letters on July 15 indicating their intention to resign their positions. Vreeland indicated in his letter that he did not wish to move into the board president position at this time.

Tabb's name was the only one placed in nomination for the board's top leadership position during a stormy start to the board's regular third-Wednesday meeting. John Erwin, who served four terms as president from 2010 to 2013, was nominated to become vice-president for the balance of 2016. Brad Bourn nominated himself. Erwin was elected on a 7-1 vote, with Bourn voting for himself. Tabb was likewise elected on a 7-1 vote, with Bourn in opposition. Commissioner Annie Young was absent.

Wielinski's tenure remarkably productive

"It is with an extraordinarily heavy heart that I must inform you of my intention to step down as president of the board due to health concerns," Wielinski wrote her colleagues and MPRB staff. "Unfortunately, my position and the pressures involved have taken a heavy toll on my health. This is most certainly not the way I hoped to end my tenure as president of the board, but after consultation with my doctor and family members, and with consideration for the importance of the board for the parks in this city, I have decided this move is best at this juncture in my life."

During Wielinski's tenure several large projects have been initiated or nurtured along, including the massive



Photo and Caption by Michael Wilson

Longtime Park Watch comrades and allies Liz Wielinski, Arlene Fried, and Anita Tabb greet each other before the July 20 Park Board meeting where Wielinski tendered her resignation as board president and Tabb was elected to complete her 2016 term.

River First project and, in partnership with the city, the Upper Harbor Terminal project. Major improvements and enhancements are underway for the newly designated St. Anthony Falls Regional Park. Wielinski has also focused MPRB attention on acquiring parcels of property along the upper Mississippi as they've become

available, giving relatively underserved north and northeast Minneapolis residents greater access to green space and the river.

Earlier this year Wielinski earned her place as one of the most influential leaders in the Park Board's 133-year history when she, along with Anita Tabb and

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Photo by Dorothy Childers

Park Watch founders Steve Nelson, Arlene Fried, Chris Johnson, Mary Lou Hill, and Liz Wielinski were joined by Commissioners (and Cedar-Isles-Dean resident) Vivian Mason, John Erwin, and Rochelle Berry Graves in this January 2006 Hill & Lake Press photo celebrating Park Watch accomplishments and honoring the three retiring Park Board members.

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National Night Out is Tuesday August 2.

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If you register by July 19 you can block your street for free. If you register from July 20 through July 27, there is a \$100 fee. You will not be able to block off your street if registering after July 27.

It is free to participate in National Night Out. When you register your event, you will get free Mystery Point Passes for Nickelodeon Universe at the Mall of America.

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Park Siding Park Gardening

Saturday, July 23 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: July 23, August 27 and September 24. Details at www.cidna.org

Seeing The Summer Singers:

- Sunday, July 24, 4 p.m., St. Mary's Chapel at the St. Paul Seminary (map)
- Thursday, July 28, 7:30 p.m, Lake Nokomis Lutheran Church, 5011 31st Ave So., Minneapolis (map)
- Sunday, July 31, 4 p.m., St. Mark's Episcopal Cathedral, 519 Oak Grove St., Minneapolis
- Also, come join us at the Loring Park Art Festival that Sunday, across the street from St. Mark's. We'll have a short preview performance at 2 p.m.

HAPPENINGS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD

July 23. 9-Noon Park Siding Park Gardening July 25, 6-7pm Block leader training July 28, 6-9 East Isles Ice Cream Social July 30 & 31. Loring Park Art Festival August 2, National Night out August 5-7 Uptown Art Fair

August 6 Used Jewelry Sale to benefit the

August 9, Primary Election Sept. 10, 9-3 East Isles Super Sale

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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



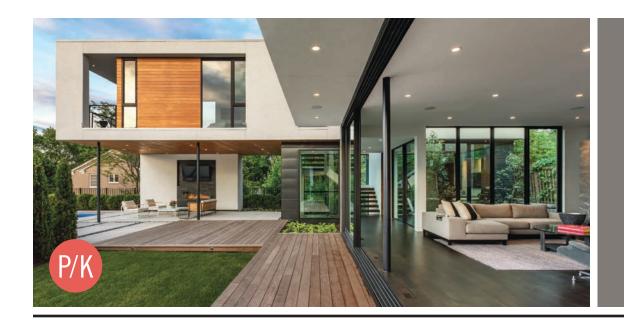
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Meet Your Neighbor, Gabriel Keller

Craig Wilson interviews Gabriel Keller about the difficulty of finding a home in the Hill Lake Community, his architectural philosophy and how he would like the future of architecture in Minneapolis to evolve.

Where did you grow up and what was your family like? I grew up in the Wedge neighborhood with my mother, and she was one of eleven children raised in south Minneapolis. I spent a good chunk of my life away from Minnesota (mostly New York and Europe). But I have come full circle back to Uptown.

Why did you choose to raise your family in the Hill Lake community? We just moved back into the East Isles neighborhood after starting our family in Lynnhurst. We missed Lake of the Isles, an oasis that also puts us in the mix of a more urban life. It's great being able to walk everywhere again, including my office on Lake and James. The kids can run across the street to Triangle Park, or down the block to grab groceries. And we are out on our canoe with them every chance we get.

Given your profession, was it difficult to find the right house? It was a challenge! There are many beautiful homes in our neighborhood, but people truly cherish them and rarely move. We looked for more than a year before we found the right fit. It's a classic 1905 four-square – the picture of warmth and charm. If I were to design a new home, it would always be modern. But I love living in a historic home.

How did you become interested in architecture? From a very young age, I loved to draw floor plans. (There were many iterations of my dream mansion for cats!) In 5th grade, I learned what an architect was when Tom Ellison (founder of TEA2) led a design project for my class at Barton. I remember thinking, "This guy actually gets paid to do this?!" I was hooked.

How did you come to found Peterssen/Keller Architecture? I started P/K with my partner Lars Peterssen in 2009 after working for Lars at his previous

firm for seven years. By that time we had a friendship and design relationship that we both knew was rare and lasting. Any good business partnership is like a marriage! For me, the timing was right both personally and professionally to take the plunge starting a new business. I was at a stage in my career where I felt that I had something to say. And I had a design attitude and aesthetic that I wanted the freedom to explore.

How would you describe the Peterssen/Keller aesthetic? That is always a tough question because each project is unique as our clients. That said, our overall attitude includes clean lines, perfect proportions and authenticity in materials that transcends the architectural style we are working within. As Minnesotans have become more comfortable with a modern style, we have developed an "Organic Modern" design aesthetic, which recognizes the importance of warmth and comfort within a modern home—primarily with an emphasis on materiality.

What are some local examples of your work? We recently designed three modern new homes on or right near Lake Calhoun. We restored a historic home on Cedar Lake and another on Lake of the Isles. And we designed the mixed-use building we now occupy with our office.

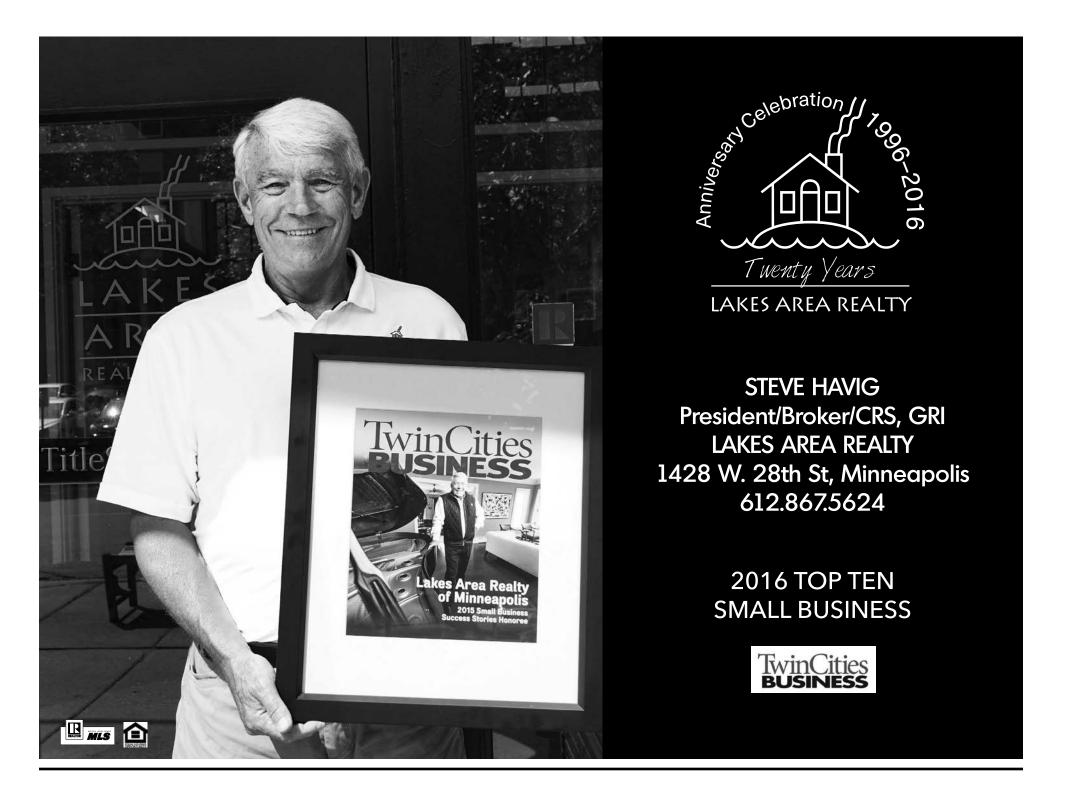
How do you balance sustainability and luxury in your work? Most of all, we strive to create homes that have both design quality and construction quality, made to last for the next 100 years. Even the most sustainable home becomes an environmental burden if the next owner tears it down! We also work closely with clients to evaluate how best to allocate their budget on sustainability efforts. The items with the biggest impact are typically not very sexy. Think: windows and insulation.

Is context important to your design process? It is essential. We design all of our projects within 3D modeling programs, and one of the first steps is always to model the landscape and surrounding houses. We



also spend time on site to understand the scale and rhythm of the street, and to gain insight into the environmental opportunities presented by trees, topography and site lines. If we can listen to these elements in the design, I believe our homes add to the character of their neighborhoods.

How would you like to see architecture evolve in Minneapolis? When growth happens in spurts, as it had throughout the history of Minneapolis, planning becomes a challenge. I hope we as a community can better plan for the future booms that will inevitably come, to assure that the change and impact is positive. We have such a rich architectural fabric in this city. We need to preserve and protect the best of the buildings we have, while also adding new quality houses—the historic architecture of tomorrow—to this tapestry. Quality is too often neglected, especially on the commercial end of development. I know we can do better.



Where's the Beef?

By Phil Hallaway

John Emerson Knox waited for the light to change. The Hennepin-Franklin plug was the last obstacle in his commute home, creeping through the labyrinth of shovel-ready construction projects across the city. He studied the window of Lowry Hill Meats.

"I'm going to check that place out tomorrow."

Wednesday, around midday, John entered the full-service butcher shop. Husband-and-wife owners Erik and Tiffany Sather were quick to greet him.

John studied the meat case. Ribeye, porterhouse, and flank steak, lamb chops, pork loin, fresh sausages, smoked ham, brisket, pancetta, slab bacon, and pâtés.

John's olfactory senses quickly went into overdrive. Meats were roasting, Wednesday burgers were frying on the flat-top, and espressos were brewing. The chalk-board menu featured a variety of made-to-order sandwiches, including buttered radish on baguette, roast beef, French Exit, meatloaf on Mondays, burgers on Wednesday and breakfast on the week-end.

Unusual items in the cases indicated that this was not your run-of-the-mill meat market. Homemade duck pâté, torchon de foie gras, whole duck, goat, pork headcheese, and blood sausage.

The selection of best-in-class food items caught John's eye. Local artisan cheeses, Hope Creamery butter, and Castle Rock Organic Farms dairy products filled the cooler. Rustica baguettes, the best in town, were stocked alongside a selection of baked items from St. Agnes bakeries. Honey from Beez Kneez and coffees from Dogwood Coffee.

Eager to learn more about the shop, John fired a few questions at the owners:

How did you get into this business? Erik grew up in southern Minnesota on a hog farm. A Minneapolis resident since the 1990s, Sather brings a long history of cooking and butchery honed at establishments like Bar la Grassa, Clancey's, La Belle Vie, and Solera. Erik and Tiffany have two other partners, Jonny Hunter and Mel Trudeau. All have culinary backgrounds focusing on whole animal butchery

Tell us about your shop. We maintain farmer-direct relationships and use all parts of the animal. Our meats are sourced directly from farmers in Minnesota, with occasional supplies coming from Wisconsin, Iowa and the Dakotas. These animals have been raised free of hormones, antibiotics and have been forage fed on clean feed.

What's your vision for this store? The local food economy is worth investing in. People want access to quality ingredients. We wanted to create a butcher shop with a welcoming feeling where people could hang out



Photo by Dorothy Childers

Lowry Hill Meats owners Tiffany and Erik Sather

and that would become a quality "food hub". It's a place to share conversation, enjoy cooking, and to know where your ingredients come from. More people are cooking at home and they want quality ingredients, custom butchery and culinary advice.

Why specialty meats? The meat industry, along with much of commercial farming has gotten out of control. The more we can focus on local farms that are working hard to do the right thing, the better. It's not only important to have a great tasting product, but it's important to where your consumer dollars are going, how animals are being raised, and to know what you are consuming.

A week later John ran into Buddy Scroggins, an old friend who grew up in Lowry Hill. The subject of Lowry Hill Meats came up. "I love that place!" raved Scroggins." His description of the incredible Toulouse sausages made with morel mushrooms prompted John to suddenly change his dinner plans.

Erik's Simple Whole Roast Chicken on the Grill.

One whole chicken. Enough Kosher or sea salt to cover evenly. 1/2 cup brown sugar mixed together with 1/2 cup smoked paprika and rubbed evenly over the entire bird.

Cook, breast side up, indirectly (away from source of heat, not directly above) on the grill at mediumhigh heat for 1 to 1.5 hours, until meat begins to pull away from end of drummy a bit. Can also use a meat thermometer and cook to 155°. Remove from grill, let rest, and temperature will rise to 165°. Enjoy with grilled sweet corn, ripe tomatoes and fresh bread.

Please see the below statement on behalf of Valerie Castile:

"On behalf of myself and our entire family, we urge all people to remain peaceful in all demonstrations throughout our community and our nation. When demonstrations become violent, it disrespects my son and his memory. Philando was a man of peace and dignity. Please, I ask you to at all times remain peaceful in your expressions of concern regarding his death at the hands of the police. I promise that we will not rest until justice prevails."





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Superintendent Jayne Miller, collaborated with City Council President Barbara Johnson and our Ward 7 Council Member Lisa Goodman to hammer out an ambitious and momentous 20-year plan to significantly increase funding for neighborhood parks and roads.

In late 2015 Wielinski, Tabb, at-large commissioner Meg Forney, and others launched a citizen group chaired by former Hennepin County commissioner and mayoral candidate Mark Andrew to put a referendum on the November 2016 ballot to secure funding for the 20-year renovation plan. Neighborhood parks were in a "shocking" state of disrepair, Andrew said, looking at the list prepared by MPRB staff of the work needed on all 150-odd neighborhood parks.

Instead of going head-to-head with the city on the issue of a ballot measure, Wielinski, Tabb, Goodman, Miller, and Johnson worked hand-in-hand on a concurrent funding ordinance, approved unanimously in March and April by both the City Council and Park Board. The truly historic nature of this cooperative accomplishment stands in sharp contrast to the uneasy and sometimes rancorous relationship between the two bodies throughout the Park Board's history. As recently as 2009 a City Council member, Paul Ostrow, tried to put a measure on the November ballot that would have eliminated the Park Board as an independent body. We can be proud that our two Hill and Lake electeds have steered the Park Board and City Council to a new era of comity.

Tabb tells Hill & Lake Press that a major challenge for the Park Board for the remainder of 2016 will be to intensify the planning process and ramp up staffing to begin work on revitalizing our neighborhood parks. A second major challenge, she says, will be to work with communities of color with energy and sensitivity so that all citizens feel listened to, involved, and included.

Board thanked for 'selfless dedication'

Tabb takes over a board that for several years has worked together collegially and effectively, save for the frequent grandstanding and divisiveness of Commissioner Brad Bourn who, as the StarTribune's Steve Brandt puts it, "is often on the outs on issues with other commissioners." Tabb first ran for the Park Board in 2009, along with Wielinski, after participating in Park Watch, a citizen advocacy and watchdog group formed in 2004 by Wielinski, Arlene Fried, and others in response to the dysfunction resulting from the administration of former Superintendent Jon Gurban.

Wielding the president's gavel effectively will be another challenge for Tabb as an obstreperous group of protesters claiming to speak for the 40 percent of Minneapolitans who are nonwhite continues to disrupt Park Board meetings with charges of "corruption" (according to signs brandished at Wednesday's meeting) and blatant, systemic and intentional racial discrimination toward Park Board employees of color. They have demanded that Wielinski not only resign the presidency but also quit the board and that Superintendent Miller be fired. Their angry insistence that Bourn be named board president to succeed Wielinski at times drowned

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Theatre in the Great Outdoors



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Classical Actors Ensemble (CAE) presented a production of Shakespeare's comedy A Midsummer Night's Dream, directed by Michael Kelly, on the shores of Lake of the Isles. An enthusiastic audience brought blankets and chairs to enjoy a play that was presented at numerous locations around the Twin Cities from June 17 through July 17. This was CAE's third summer offering of outdoor Shakespeare following 2014's Love's Labors Lost and 2015's The Two Gentlemen of Verona. As Always, the performances are free to the public, children are welcome, and picnicking is encouraged.

out proceedings during the meeting.

Fried and former at-large commissioner (and Lowry Hill resident) George Puzak thanked commissioners during Open Time for their selfless dedication to their jobs. This writer told commissioners that "all citizens of Minneapolis, whether they know it or not, whether they choose to acknowledge it or not, owe Park Board commissioners a great debt of gratitude."

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A Visit to Givens Violins







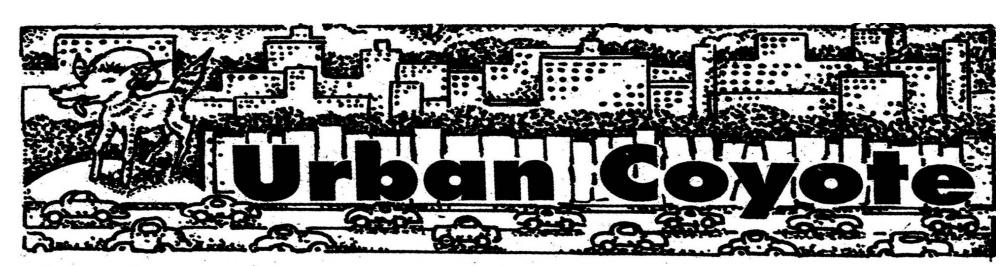
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From left, Council Member Lisa Goodman, Claire Givens, and Andrew Dipper.



Lisa Goodman hosted two tours of Givens Violins, 1201 Marquette Avenue S., Suite 150, in downtown Minneapolis on June 29. Claire Givens, owner and president, and her husband Andrew Dipper who live in our Hill and Lake Press neighborhood graciously welcomed us and invited us into the large room where instruments were being restored. A large group enjoyed the tour while learning more about restoration. We learned that violins, violas, and cellos are restored, repaired, and to our amazement, also built from scratch. Technicians showed us their many unusual tools and other equipment that they use to repair or rebuild damaged instruments. One violin had been run over by a car yet was in the last stage of renovation and nearly ready for use again. Our visit was concluded by a cello recital.

Thank you Lisa for an extraordinary event.



My "(Un)Intentional Community," and Yours.

By James P. Lenfestey

A headline in the June 30-July13 Southwest News caught my eye: "Proposed policy would allow more intentional communities' in city." Ah, I thought, déjà vu all over again.

My wife and I are humbled veterans of a previous outbreak of "intentional community" fever during the early Seventies. In an accident of our personal history, we ended up part of a rural community and school, where I was the nominal "school director" but which in fact was based on communal ideas, including consensus decision making, shared work and goods, and a revived relationship with farming, the land, the ecosystem (a new word to us back then), native cultures and ideas, cooperatives and composting and green energy and more. Not all bad by any means. In fact, mostly good.

Only the "intentional community" feature became a knot of maddening complexity that drove my practical wife batty (not to mention manure floating in the milk pail and others wonders of questionable sanitation). I remained in the idealistic fog longer that she did, before we bailed for the relief of our Minneapolis neighborhood Hard enough in a family setting to make

sure the right person does the dishes, or why not, never mind a group of thirty individuals of various personalities, commitments, mania, depressions and distractions.

Flash back to the first generation "intentional communities" in the Americas in the 19th and early twentieth centuries: Brook Farm, founded by idealistic Emersonian Transcendentalists (although not Emerson), and the Amana colonies. Brook Farm, a few miles outside of Boston, was a famous flop. Nathaniel Hawthorne, an initial though skeptical member, resigned early, writing "even my Custom House experience was not such a thraldom and weariness; my mind and heart were freer.....Thank God, my soul is not utterly buried under a dung-heap." My wife and I would echo these sentiments. On the other hand, the Amana Colonies of rural Iowa became famously successful, held together for over eighty years with the glue of a shared religious commitment, generally a requirement of success, we learned later.

Among the few success stories of the thousands of rural and urban communes of the Seventies, is The Farm, founded in rural Tennessee in 1971 by charismatic Steven Gaskins and 320 San Francisco hippies. Read the story of all the growing pains in Wiki, such as total lack of infrastructure, but unlike most communes that collapsed under the weight of idealism married to

a lack of practical skills, like Brook Farm, it survived and does much good in the world.

So clearly "intentional communities" are not necessarily doomed, and I certainly wish these new, idealistic, deeply green intentional communities well.

But for me, a great discovery of our lives after leaving our "intentional community" was "unintentional community," called "neighborhood." Founded on the principal of private living space and cooking facilities, we nevertheless rub up against each other, shoulder to shoulder, in the many tasks required make our community vibrant and sustainable. The Hill and Lake Press is one such example, as are the vigorous neighborhood organizations and political, social and cultural groups then support us at every turn but with which our association is always voluntary.

Neighborhood, as we discovered the "experimental" way, is the finest way of living in community. And of course Hill and Lake land is one of the five best neighborhoods on planet Earth, and I can't think of the other four.



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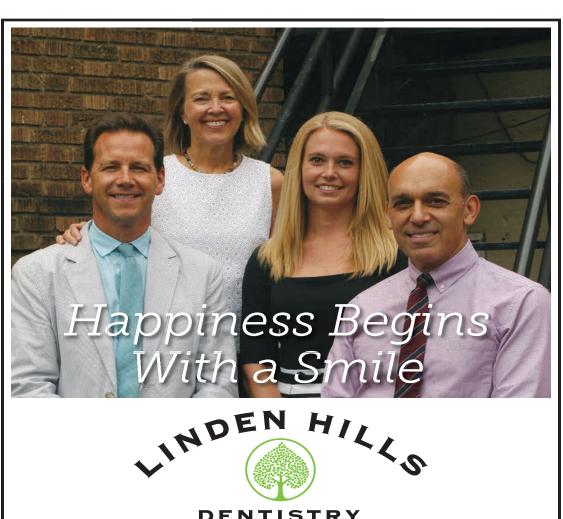
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a) Your management of the triangle planting bed at the east gateway to Lake of the Isles including planting



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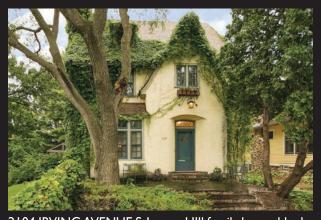
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b) Your "gift" of wonderful, inscribed wood benches* at various locations around Lake of the Isles. These benches have been very well received, as has been demonstrated by the high level of use by lake visitors. What is particularly nice is the ability to move and use these benches in a wide variety of configurations both along the shoreline as well as within the parklands surrounding the lake.

Thanks also go the team of resident gardeners who maintain many of the decorative shrub beds around Lake of the Isles under the guidance of SHERRY BROOKS from the Minneapolis Park Board Environmental Management Team: JANE SCALLEN / LIBBY LARSEN / DAVE SCHAENZER / STEVE GOLDSMITH, BERNADETTE KNAEBLE / KAREN CARNEY / BEV JACOBSEN / DAVE TEETER.

This is a great example of volunteerism within our wonderful park system for the benefit of all and it is very much appreciated!!!

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

Harvey Ettinger

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* Mark Addicks, the retired chief marketing officer of General Mills, partnered with the Minneapolis Parks and Recreation Board to create The Minneapolis Good Chair Project.

Mark worked with Willie Willette Works to construct more than 30 custom, white oak chairs that are now placed throughout Lake of the Isles Park and Currie Park.

The goal of the program is to encourage the community to sit, reflect and engage your neighbor in a quiet, peaceful setting. Timely given the climate in our community this summer.

Sayings carved into the back of the chairs encourage:

Sit. Share. Debate. Engage - Sit. Breathe. Contemplate. Meditate.

Sit. Read. Think. Imagine - Sit. Laugh. Cry. Kiss.

The nonprofit is about to launch a Kickstarter campaign to build more chairs for more local parks next year. Attached photo: Mark Addicks (front right), sets out "Good Chairs" in Lake of the Isles Park.

Jason Schumann for The Minneapolis Good Chair Project 612-816-5718



East Gateway planting bed

Photo by Harvey Ettinger



Wood benches at Lake of the Isles

Photo by Harvey Ettinger



Setting out "Good Chairs" in Lake of the Isles Park The man on the left is Willie Willette, the maker of the chairs (Willie Willette Works). The young man in the back is Willie's nephew, Francis Willette. Mark Addicks is on the right.

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EAST ISLES RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

By Nicole Engel-Nitz, EIRA Secretary of the Board

East Isles Residents' Association (EIRA) Minutes from the EIRA BOARD OF DIREC-TORS (BOD) Meeting July 12, 2016 Grace Trinity Community Church

Board members present: Steve Havig, Mike Erlandson, Andrew Degerstrom (President), Bruce Larson, Nancy Johnston, Julia Curran (Vice-President), Brian Milavitz (Treasurer), Peter Mason, Amy Sanborn, Nicole Engel-Nitz (Secretary)

Guests: Council Member Lisa Goodman, Harvey Ettinger (Chair, Parks committee), Betsy Allis (Chair, Green Team), Carla Pardue (NRP committee)

Ward 7 Report, Council member Goodman

No Lunch with Lisa this month, but begins again in September

There will be a change in polling location due to construction at Temple Israel; new location is at the Scottish Rite Temple.

There is a Primary election on August 9, and early voting is open for the Primary election. There is an urgent need for election judges—contact Lisa's office if interested for more information.

Hennepin Lyndale reconstruction work continues. Watch for one-ways and closures. Aiming to finish this year

Remodels/permitting: 2321 Humboldt Ave S. questionable because of the amount of impervious surface (too much building for the site, and setbacks all nonconforming; 2519 Lake Place has an administrative site plan review underway; 2701 L of the Isles Parkway has shown a plan for remodel to the city, Council member Goodman recommended that owners provide information to the neighborhood board as well.

August 2 is National Night out—can contact the city now and block off the street for free.

Organic recycling has been rolled out.

Open Forum

The August meeting for the EIRA board will be held the 3rd Tuesday in August (August 16) due to the Primary election that will be held on the 2nd Tuesday of August (August 9).

Reports

Social Committee.

Ice Cream Social July 28th, 6-9 pm, at Triangle Park—Tiny House, root beer floats, petting zoo, monarch butterfly display, music and more. If it rains, the make-up date is Friday July 29.

Uptown Art fair (August 5-7)—EIRA need volunteers for the Pop booth. There are booth shifts Friday, Sat, Sunday (2-3 people for each shift). Contact Amy Sanborn (events@eastisles.org) for more information. EIRA's participation supports a neighborhood event and raises funds for EIRA events.

Green Team

The Super Sale neighborhood garage sale event will be held September 10. The board voted to approve

Athletic Shoe Donations Needed- Donation Box at Kenwood Rec Center

Kenwood Elementary School is proud to announce that since September, the school community has donated over 700 shoes to people in need through an organization called World Soles. Dr. Chris Armstrong, founder of World Soles, is committed to visiting classrooms to educate children about the need for athletic shoes around the world in order to prevent diseases in poor communities and to assist in disaster relief. Shoes with no resale value are recycled into playground material. The Kenwood Rec Center is so pleased with the result of their collection that they will keep a donation box in their lobby indefinitely as long as the shoes keep coming in. Since August, 2015, the ongoing shoe drive has earned money for the Kenwood School Green Team, about \$225 which is paying for the school vegetable garden.

Athletic shoes (including soccer cleats and sturdy hiking/work boots) in all sizes are welcome. Please tie the laces together! Sorry no pump, sandals or dress shoes. For more information, please contact chris@worldsoles.com.

funding for promotion of the event (\$501.20), and strongly suggested that future garage sales should have a goal of being a self- supporting event, via participation fee or similar.

The Green Team will promote the Super Sale at National Night Out (Aug. 2) and at the Ice Cream Social. Special early bird registration will be available for \$5 (gets on the map), then goes up to \$10. Online registration form available through EIRA website.

The team has not heard back on their submission for the water conservation research grant.

Transportation Committee. The nomination of Robin Hutcheson as the new Director of Public Works will go before City Council next week. The board passed a resolution in support of the candidate as new Director of Public Works.

Zoning Committee. Events were summarized by Council member Goodman. The 2519 Lake place will be presented at the zoning committee next week.

President's Report

Monthly storage rental fee has gone up to \$54 from

The EIRA president email address had issues, believe it has been fixed.

Webhosting will be switched soon—Donna working with current vendor to switch over.

Members' Mailing received by Board members

Putting together checklist/timeline for our staff for when to put out the minutes for the Hill and Lake Press

Nicole suggested putting together or updating timeline for other reporting that needs to be done

Directors/officer's insurance. Will confirm that Powderhorn Park (fiscal agent) sent in the payment.

Treasurer's report: Discussed getting card reader to use at the Ice Cream Social.

Open Discussion, NRP Projects

Several ideas have been discussed for park projects on the Mall—benches, chess tables. Park board has plans for top of the Mall.

In addition, there are miscellaneous ideas for improvements, and there is a question on whether EIRA should focus on one thing like the Mall, or do individual projects. NRP committee has initially decided to focus on overall plan for the Mall, and try to get attention of Anita Tabb. Karla and Bruce are going to meet with the person developing the plan for the top of the Mall.

There is also money from development projects that is supposed to benefit neighborhood parks. Developer's Park Fund.

If consistent with EIRA Bylaws, and where the availability of a public document or report in electronic forms exists, copies of EIRA Board agenda items may be obtained by an EIRA member by contacting coordinator@eastisles.org. The next meeting is Tuesday, August 16, 2016, 7 p.m. at Grace-Trinity Community Church, 1430 W 28th Street.

Neighborhood Organizations' newly elected officers:

CIDNA: Chair: Craig Westgate; Secretary, Rosanne Halloran; and Treasurer: Roger Klimek. The Vice Chair position is vacant

KIAA: Chair Jeanette Colby; Vice Chair Larry Moran; Treasurer Matt Spies; Secretary Shawn Smith.

LHNA: President Phil Hallaway; Vice President Michael Cockson; Treasurer Rebecca Graham; Secretary Susie Galiano.

EIRA: President Andrew Degerstrom; Vice President Julia Curran; Secretary Nicole Engel-Nitz-Secretary; Treasurer Brian Milavitz.

KENWOOD ISLES AREA ASSOCIATION

July 2016 KIAA Meeting Minutes By Shawn Smith

KIAA Board met July 11th, 2016 at the Kenwood Rec Center

Chair Jeanette Colby called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Directors present: Chair Jeanette Colby, Vice Chair Larry Moran, Treasurer Matt Spies, Jack Levi, Angie Erdrich, Mike Bono, Mark Brown, Shawn Smith (Recording Secretary). Absent: Josine Peters. Also present CM Lisa Goodman, Chief Jason Ohotto and two of his officers, Jean Deatrick, and three neighbors.

Opening Activities

Angie moved for approval of the agenda and it was approved unanimously.

City Council Update - Lisa Goodman

No lunch with Lisa in July or August. Please be sure to sign up for Lisa's email list to get updates on construction, traffic, and event updates.

Hennepin/Lyndale reconstruction continues. The Hennepin/Vineland intersection will have major work done in July/August. The overall project is on schedule for completion by November.

The variance at 2000 W 21st St was approved.

Early voting is open for the 2016 primary. Election judges are needed this year. Please call Lisa's office to sign up to be a judge. A mix of party affiliations is needed.

National Night out is August 2nd. After July 19th, there is a fee to block off the street.

Jeanette expressed KIAA's appreciation for the quality of the City of Minneapolis's response to the FEIS, documenting the history and the issues within the project.

East Cedar Lake Beach Update - Chief Jason Ohotto

Police reports written on park property at the beach declined from 48 to 31. This is the second summer where there was a significant reduction in reports. Chief Ohotto attributed the success to the positive programming and activities at the beach, as well as the increased park police patrols, some funded by KIAA.

Chief Ohotto recommended that neighbors that want to support safety efforts should call in issues to 911, and provide detailed, specific information, name and callback number. Err on the side of calling 911 vs not calling when you see a negative impact to public safety.

East Cedar Lake Beach Committee (ECLB) Report – Matt Spies

Mark Brown reported that the June 20th potluck at the beach was a great success with strong turnout. The kids' activities (face painting, spray chalk, cookies) were popular.

Matt presented ideas for longer term strategies, including boat racks, playground equipment. Park and Rec Board financial support and fundraising will be needed. A Community Action Committee will be formed.

Matt proposed an August Pop Up Adventure Playground as a new activity to pilot. A motion passed to fund this event with up to \$800 of NRP funds. Engagement with the Kenwood School and neighboring association were identified as opportunities to increase participation. Jeanette recognized Angie for getting the Kenwood School engaged in using the beach for educational opportunities.

Jeanette proposed the idea of hosting a food or beverage cart at the beach on behalf of the neighborhood. A motion passed for up to \$200 to be spent from NRP funds for a KIAA/ECLB Patron Appreciation Day.

Southwest Light Rail Transit Project – Jeanette Colby, Shawn Smith

Shawn reported on the June 13th FEIS public presentation by the Southwest Project Office.

Kenwood Isles Area Association

Approximately 20 neighbors attended from Kenwood, CIDNA, and Loring Park. On a positive note, the presentation summarized the 17,000 page FEIS effectively. Unfortunately it was not tailored to the concerns of the Minneapolis segment of the corridor. There continues to be a high level of concern over the ability of the tunnel to be built near Calhoun Shores Townhomes and the Kenilworth "pinch point."

Jeanette reported that the June 28th CAC meeting was cancelled, a consistent issue with many of the other CAC meetings which have also been cancelled in the past couple of years.

Downtown Kenwood Parking Issue – Jeanette Colby

Jeanette communicated with the general manager of the Kenwood Restaurant to ask that employees park on Penn Avenue, and to help address the issue of patrons parking too close to alleys and driveways, and the issue of delivery truck restricting neighbor access to the alley.

Angie confirmed that parking for Downtown Kenwood businesses is permitted at the Kenwood School when school is not in session. A "sandwich" board idea was proposed at a cost of \$200 or for city signing or to paint the curb yellow to inform where and where not to park. Noted for follow up between meetings.

Neighborhood Priority Plan and Budget -Mike Bono, Matt Spies

Mike and Matt outlined the plan to develop the 3 year plan as well as budgeting for the upcoming year. It will include a neighborhood engagement survey to identify the priorities for KIAA spending.

The Finance Committee will identify the threshold amount to have in savings to ensure there is sufficient cash flow while more readily identifying opportunities to spend improvement funds to benefit Kenwood. The board's intent is to ensure available funds are spent for the betterment of Kenwood, while also ensuring that current funding priorities can be maintained should funds be cut in the future.

New Business/Action Taken Between Meetings - All

New neighbor introduction: Mikki Johnston and family

Jeanette will attend a Whittier Alliance Meeting on July 19th to understand the goals and strategies of that group

Angie will follow up with Creative Citymaking regarding a video project opportunity, with a possible focus on ECLB. KIAA would need to make a proposal to secure participation in the project, which is a competitive process.

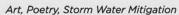
The meeting was adjourned by Chair Jeanette Colby at 8:50 p.m.

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.

There will not be an August KIAA meeting. The next Kenwood Isles Area Association Board meeting is Monday, September 12th from 7:00-8:30 p.m. at the Kenwood Recreation Center. 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



Stone Poem Raingarden





You are standing next to a raingarden, a simple landscape design that protects the watershed. This raingarden catches rainwater that flows off the playground. Without this raingarden, the runoff rainwater would flow into gutters, into storm drains, then into a storm sewer that would empty unfiltered water, pollutants, leaves and other organic debris directly into Lake of the Isles. This raingarden's work doesn't stop here. The Chain of Lakes drains into the Minnehaha Creek and ultimately the Mississippi River.

A Raingarden

is a shallow depression that captures runoff in order to filter pollutants and prevent soil erosion. Stone Poem Raingarden incorporates many features to hold rainwater including: 8 depressed basins, 23 rock-filled infiltration columns, and a berm—the raised area beside the path. Below the surface, roots and microbes filter pollutants and anchor the soil, which would otherwise harm the lakes, making them murky and full of sediment and nutrients.

Plants, trees and ground cover absorb many times more rainwater than a grass lawn. We chose native plants including sedges, blazing star, prairie smoke, and others to beautify the surroundings and provide safe habitat for

pollinators. Every year during the first week of September, students will note the number of butterflies, insects and other creatures in the garden as markers of our success in creating a healthy home for living things.

Kenwood Elementary School

5th graders studying a watershed curriculum planted this garden in 2015 with the help of volunteers. Stone Poem Raingarden was designed by Metro Blooms. Raingarden design, construction, and planting were made possible by a grant from the Minnehaha Creek Watershed District (MCWD), a unit of government responsible for 181 square miles of watershed that includes Minnehaha Creek, Lake Minnetonka, the Minneapolis Chain of Lakes, and Minnehaha Falls. There are 8 major creeks, 129 lakes, and thousands of wetlands within the MCWD.

We Can All Do Our Part

to protect the nearby lakes by improving our landscaping, cleaning up pet waste and leaves, planting native plants and reducing use of chemicals that harm pollinators. Look around your neighborhood—raingardens are often incorporated into home landscaping in attractive and creative ways. One day you might want a raingarden, tool

Stone Poem Raingarden

Art, Poetry, Storm Water Mitigation Collaboration, 2015 Sculpture and Sculpted Path by Zoran Mojsilov Landscaping design by Rich Harrison, Metro Blooms. "Praise It All" is a site-specific poem by Ojibwe writer, Louise Erdrich





Kenwood School thanks private donors, Minnehaha Creek Watershed District, Metro Blooms, Bockley Gallery, Birchbark Books, and volunteers for educating students about the watershed and creating a significant piece of public art for the school and neighborhood to enjoy.

Visit the Kenwood Stone Poem Raingarden on Facebook & Youtube.

5th Annual East Isles Super Sale

Saturday, September 10: 9-3 pm

Imagine your home—clean and uncluttered. If this image elevates your mood, start organizing your "stuff" for the 5h Annual East Isles Super Sale! Last year people came from near and far to browse and buy at 47 East Isles yard sales.

Hosts have fun too—mingling with browsers, chatting with neighbors and making a little money. The cost to become an official sale host is low—\$5 if you register on July 28th at the Ice Cream Social (Green Team table) or \$10 if you register by September 1. This great deal covers sale promotion and advertising, yard signs, a shopper's map with your listing, and free pick-up of unsold items on Monday, September 12th. Note, hosts can add up to 3 items to their listing for a few dollars.

Learn more or register online at eastisles.org/EIRA/events/super-sale. Or, cut out and complete the SS registration form on page >> of this issue. Questions? Contact Green Team volunteer, Shelly Itman, at noddie26@gmail.com or 612-374-5833.

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The 5th Annual East Isles Super Sale Saturday, September 10 REGISTRATION FORM

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Add sale items (select 3 max.) to shopper's map listing for \$2/item:

Kids toys & clothing — Plants

- Kids toys & clothingBooksPlantsAntique
- BooksClothing (adult)AntiquesSports equipment
- Sign me up for the Sept. 12th pick-up by Disabled American Veterans.

My total payment of \$ ____ includes \$10 registration + \$__ for additional shopper's map items.

Register your sale at the Ice Cream Social on Juy 28 for \$5. Mail or drop off registration to Shelly Itman at 2217 Humboldt Ave S., Mpls 55405. Checks payable to East Isles Residents Association EIRA.

Questions?

Check out eastisles.org/EIRA/events/super-sale or contact Shelly at 612-374-5833 or noddie26@gmail.com.

CEDAR ISLES DEAN NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

By Monica Smith

CEDAR ISLES DEAN NEIGHBORHOOD A S S O C I A T I O N BOARD MEETING MINUTES, July 13, 2016

The meeting was held at Jones-Harrison Residence. Board members in attendance: Chair Craig Westgate, Secretary Rosanne Halloran, Treasurer Roger Klimek, Lowell Berggren, Stephen Goltry, Barbara Lunde, James Reid, Karen Stublaski, and Mike Wilson. Staff: Monica Smith

Chair Craig Westgate called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Announcements

Public hearing for a variance to increase the maximum height of a fence at 3141 Dean Court: July 28, 4:30 pm, Room 317 at City Hall.

Public hearing to amend the zoning code's definition of a half story (partial story): July 18, 4:30 pm, Room 317 at City Hall.

Election of Officers

Officers for the 2016-17 CIDNA Board were elected: Chair: Craig Westgate; Secretary, Rosanne Halloran; and Treasurer: Roger Klimek. The Vice Chair position is vacant.

Treasurer's Report, Roger Klimek

The Treasurer's Report for the fiscal year ending May 31, 2016 was presented.

NRP/CPP Report, Monica Smith

Park Board crews are working hard to keep Cedar Lake South Beach looking nice. The Beach Clean-Up Crew will meet later in the summer.

Neighborhood organizations are meeting July 19 to continue discussing the future of neighborhoods when the dedicated funding source from the City expires. Rosanne Halloran and Karen Stublaski will represent CIDNA at the meeting.

The next gardening day is July 23, 9:00 a.m. – Noon at Park Siding Park.

The next committee meeting is Thursday, July 28, 3:00 p.m. at Jones-Harrison Residence.

Transportation Committee, Craig Westgate Southwest LRT:

The Corridor Management Committee meeting was postponed until July 21, 11:00 a.m. at St. Louis Park City Hall.

The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was issued for Section 106 (historic preservation). The MOU was based on 60% engineering and did not address mitigation for the Grand Round or the Channel.

August 7 is the deadline for the Met Council to submit final paperwork to the FTA for the Record of Decision

Council Member Lisa Goodman, Ward 7

The Lunch with Lisa is on hiatus until September.

Construction on Hennepin/Lyndale will be completed by the fall.

Early voting is now open for the primary election (August 9).

Election judges are needed for the primary. For more information, www.vote.minneapolismn.gov/judges.

National Night Out is August 2nd. Register your event for free by July 19 at www.minneapolismn.gov/nno.

Sidewalk replacement work continues in Ward 7.

Land Use Committee, Bob Corrick

The CIDNA Board approved a resolution drafted by the Land Use Committee urging Trammel Crow and its contractors to expedite its efforts to evaluate and repair all damage caused to Loop Calhoun and Calhoun-Isles during construction of their project on the former Tryg's site.

The Planning Commission approved the drivethrough facility for Calhoun Village (on June 27, 2016). The CIDNA Board approved a recommendation by the Land Use Committee to make two clarifying changes to the resolution that was approved at the June 8, 2016 meeting.

The full resolutions can be found at www.cidna.org/minutesagendas.

The Land Use Committee is pursuing an at-grade trail connection to the Greenway via Thomas Avenue as part of the landscaping project for the Greystar development.

Midtown Greenway Coalition, Mike Wilson

A fundraiser for the Midtown Greenway Coalition is the Craft Beer Pedaler, a self-guided tour of breweries and craft beverage producer located near the Greenway on August 6, Noon-5:00 p.m.

Register by July 28 for the early bird special of \$25. Details at www.midtowngreenway.org

Pedestrian Safety Committee, Steve Goltry

The committee organized another observation event during rush hour on July 2. A videographer from Channel 5 was there to film the activity (no word yet on when it will air).

Committee Assignments

Craig Westgate and Rosanne Halloran reviewed the bylaws regarding committees and discussed committee assignments.

Game Night

Sixty people attended the Game Night held on June 15 at Park Siding Park. Thanks to the volunteers for a successful event.

New Business

The CIDNA Board approved a recommendation from Mike Wilson to provide a \$100 honorarium for Phil Rader for prep work to help decide whether and when to proceed with schematics and visual for an access walkway between Chowen Place and the north tower on the Lake Street bridge.

Kenwood Isles Area Association has been sponsoring events at East Cedar Beach. The next event is the Pirate & Mermaid Party on July 16, 1:00—4:00 p.m.

See an outdoor movie in West Calhoun on July 28, beginning about 9:00 p.m. (just south of the Calhoun Executive Center). The movie is Inside Out.

Tentative date for the Fall Festival is October 2.

All are invited to a picnic hosted by Jones-Harrison Residence on July 16, Noon-2:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Next meeting

The next meeting is Wednesday, August 10, 2016, 6:00 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.

-Submitted by Monica Smith

'Hill & Lake Press History' available

Using materials gathered during his survey of past HLP issues, Michael Wilson has prepared a 125-page book of memorabilia covering the paper's first 22 years, from 1976 to 1998.

The project started with a reprint of the "HLP Songbook" and all six issues of "Mound & Pond Press," a humorous and often satirical broadsheet written for the HLP annual parties, Wilson says, but quickly expanded to include copies of articles and photo spreads of the parties themselves as well as coverage of the annual Neighborhood Press Association awards ceremonies, where HLP staffers regularly saw their work honored by their peers.

Also included are reproductions of the first two pages of Vol. 1 No. 1 (March 1976), the 1993 April Fool's "We Secede" issue, Barrs and Holly Lewis' two-page spread about Palio II, the three resolutions honoring HLP in 1986 and 2016, and the poster prepared for the 40th anniversary party showing a large selection of HLP's traditionally creative headlines. These and other articles are chockablock with photos and articles by and about the scores of people who created the first 22 years of Hill & Lake Press.

A few copies of "HLP History" remain, at a cost of \$60. Email us at <hillandlakepress@gmail.com> if you would like a copy.

BREXIT

By our Foreign Correspondent, Jane Johnson

What to say about BREXIT? This has been a tumultuous few weeks in the UK and Europe...and as I sit here listening to The Ride of the Valkyries on MPR (still my favourite classical music station) I am steaming into action in an attempt to consolidate my thoughts.

The good news is that Boris isn't Prime Minister, and we have a woman on whom we're pinning great hopes, a popular choice I would say. And that crafty Mrs. May has given Boris just enough rope to hang himself. He's dangerous in that he is very clever and extremely well educated, he can sound like a statesman, but he's got a lot of finessing to do before he looks like one. He does have a penchant for putting his foot in his mouth so making him the voice of Britain was a big gamble, but maybe he will rise to the occasion. He apparently impressed them in Brussels yesterday.

I have to say that my knee jerk reaction to the announced referendum was to vote 'out', after all who wants those bozos in Brussels telling us what to do and why should we shore up Greece and bolster Italy and Spain? They aren't exactly dynamic and flourishing like the UK at this time. I even announced this at a lunch party to the horror of my friends who were trying to convince me that we are Europeans...actually we are not, we are Brits and frankly have more cultural connection with the US than France etc. in my view.

So why did I change my mind? First of all the night-mare of the government laying its hands on 500 qualified negotiators to find suitable treaties for us, and to complete them in 2 years...dream on! Have you heard about the trade treaty Canada is about to complete? They have 600 negotiators and have been working on it for over 10 years! The good news is the the UK is a part of this treaty...so long as we are in the EU. What happens when we leave is up to yet more negotiation.

Also I do believe that the EU, admittedly a dysfunctional group by all standards, has been given a bad rap by the media over the years. It is true, Brits do not like to be pushed around, or to even suspect they might be being pushed around, and many believe that is what is happening to us via Brussels and Strasbourg, by people who aren't elected...but actually we have MEPs who are elected by 'we the people', but most of our citizenry are too lazy or disinterested to find out who they are and go and vote! And from all I have tried to find out, the EU certainly doesn't affect greatly areas of our everyday life, and I think if we do leave, then Westminster will certainly have to be held more accountable, since they can no longer pass the responsibility for unpopular rules and regulations onto Brussels.

A typical 'outer' is my brother. A retired farmer, he only has about 50 acres now, and he has to plant 3 arable crops each year, apparently an EU regulation. Now that is crazy on the face of it, and I don't know the logic behind such a rule. The other side of the coin regarding my brother is that through much of the 80s and 90s he was paid by the EU £88,000 pa (\$132,000) for NOT milking his cows! A man who I heard proclaiming how agriculture in Ireland, where he farms, has benefitted beyond beyond all recognition, remarked "talk about biting the hand that feeds you" when asked to comment on the large agricultural 'outer' community in England. Of course the subsidies that we get from Brussels are not insubstantial.

And as for immigration? It is so important to have free movement of labour with countries so close to our borders, and to do business freely with so many countries. We depend on our immigrants to do the work, just as in the USA. Quite why this is a fact is a puzzle, but those born in the UK don't want to dig potatoes, work in the potteries or the hospitals or wait tables etc. etc. History is all about immigration, it has gone on from the beginning of time and we are all immigrants, but there is this present day frenzy about how the 'poor immigrant' is somehow ruining our country.

When I awoke at 5am on June 24th I could not believe it when I heard David Dimbleby announcing that Brexit had won, I thought that the country was

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VOTING

The City of Minneapolis encourages all eligible voters to participate in the Tuesday, Aug. 9 primary. Polls will be open 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Individuals are eligible to vote if they are a U.S. citizen at least 18 years old who has resided in Minnesota for at least 20 days before the election. Any voters who have moved or changed their name since they last voted must re-register.

Are you pre-registered?

All individuals whose registration applications are received by elections officials by 5 p.m. on July 19 will be pre-registered for the Aug. 9 primary. Newly registered voters will receive a postcard notifying them where to vote.

If you missed the deadline to pre-register, you may still be able to vote. Minnesota is one of several states with Election Day registration. Individuals may register at the polls on Election Day by providing one of the forms of identification required by Minnesota law. Please allow extra time at the polls to register. See our website (vote.minneapolismn.gov) for identification allowed for Election Day registration.

Absentee voting is easy

Now through Aug. 8, Minneapolis voters may cast their ballots at the Early Vote Center at 217 S. Third St. Standard hours throughout the absentee voting period are 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday. During the final two weeks before each election, these hours will be extended and include weekend times: The last two Saturdays before the primary, July 30 and Aug. 6, the Early Vote Center will be open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. On Monday, Aug. 8, the final day of in-person early voting before the primary, voters will have until 5 p.m. to come cast a ballot. All

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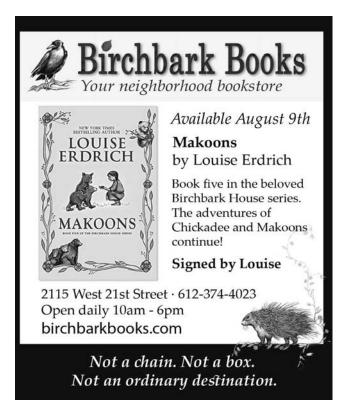
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going to the dogs and I cried for my children and grandchildren. My daughter in Denver was still up and several emails were waiting for me expressing disbelief and

Let us hope that all will be well, in fact it is dubious that we will actually leave since it is likely to take a majority vote of parliament, and right now that is not on the cards...so watch this space. Will we have a revolution, as my brother, the Brexiter Supremo is predicting if Parliament doesn't vote to invoke Article 50? The bottom line, it is a far too complicated an issue for the citizenry to decide, it is too bad we ever had the referendum in the first place. The result was due to a knee jerk protest vote, and now we may be stuck with the result, even though the referendum was legally non-binding.

And you have the Donald. I awoke this morning to the sounds of a Trumper being interviewed at the convention, the stereotypical 'Yank' that Brits love to hear, completely incoherent with rage as how terrible and weak America has become etc., on and on about Muslims and the Ayatollah, totally irrational and frightful grammar to boot!

It could be a lot worse, we could be living in Istanbul.





Jimmy Fogel serving at the Lowry Hill Ice Cream Social

Photo by Dorothy Childers

Thank you to all neighbors who attended the 2016 Lowry Hill Ice Cream Social.

It was a really fun evening. Thank you to all of our volunteers and musicians who made the evening special. And many thanks to Sebastian Joe's for donating the delicious ice cream and The Lowry for the yummy root beer.

LOWRY HILL NEIGHBORHOOD INFORMATION

Gardening Volunteers are needed on Saturday, August 13th, 10:00 a.m. to 12 noon! Meet at Douglas Ave S. (corner of Colfax and Douglas). Gardening gloves are a good idea. Bring your favorite gardening tools. Don't have tools? That's OK, come join us, you'll still be useful!



Precinct-Wide Block Leader Training Monday, July 25th, 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

At the 5th Precinct Community Room, 3101 Nicollet Ave. Block leaders get special crime alerts for their block and share with their neighbors. It doesn't take a lot of time but it can make a huge difference in your neighborhood. Blocks can have more than one leader, so everyone is welcome!

National Night Out is Tuesday, August 2nd.

Did you know Minneapolis was ranked #1 among all U.S. cities over 250,000 population in 2015? Registering your NNO event and applying to close your street/alley is a single online process here: http://www.minneapolismn.gov/nno/nno_register

LHNA would like to remind you to "Leave A Light On" to help deter crime in our neighborhood. Thank you.

Visit the LHNA website for more information, our event calendar and sign up for the monthly eNews letter at lowryhillneighborhood.org

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Driftless

By Madeleine Lowry

"I wonder why they call it the Driftless?" my husband asked. It was the beginning of a weekend trip to Sparta, Wisconsin.

We knew the region was special because it had missed being smashed flat by glaciers in the last ice age, but we wondered where the term Driftless had come from. By the end of the weekend our curiosity would be satisfied.

I mentioned our interest to our innkeeper at Justin Trails Resort and she handed me a DVD with a 26-minute documentary entitled, "Mysteries of the Driftless." It even won an Emmy. Intriguing,

But who has time for watching TV? We had hiking trails to explore, llamas to feed, goats to find, hearty breakfasts to consume. And only two days to bike on the Elroy Sparta trail and kayak the scenic Kickapoo River

We dropped the DVD off in our room and continued our exploration of the area. We noted the hilly terrain surrounding us. While biking we cruised past sandy limestone bluffs and walked through a long tunnel cut through rock with a rather drippy ceiling. Someone shone a flashlight at the tunnel wall revealing a coating that was reminiscent of stalagmites.

In the evenings we noticed the lack of mosquitos and unusually cool temperatures — similar to what we had experienced at Whitewater State Park, also part of the Driftless region.

On our kayaking adventure we remarked on the extreme temperature difference between the sunny open sections of the river and the shade of the many striking rock formations. "It's almost like there's cold air coming from the cliff walls," I mused.

Spoiler alert: There was.

Despite a general lack of family interest in watching a documentary on vacation, I persevered in fiddling with the confusing DVD/Cable/TV connections so that we could watch it. (Seriously, we are going to have self-driving cars before anyone over the age of 40 can figure out how to play a DVD in a hotel room.)

Here's what we learned. Retreating glaciers leave behind silt, sand, gravel and boulders collectively called "Drift." It's a geological term. This area of Southeastern Minnesota, Southwestern Wisconsin, Northeastern Iowa and a bit of Illinois is called the Driftless because of the lack of Drift deposited here in the last ice age.

The video goes on to describe the special features of the Driftless region. Think of glaciers as bulldozers that flattened the surrounding areas and filled in underground cavities. The Driftless area was spared this reshaping and retains quirky features like sinkholes and caves. Because of these ersatz cavities, water can do strange things in the Driftless. You'll find disappearing streams, underground streams, springs, and cold streams. (Cold clear streams make excellent trout habitats, by the way.)

Other fascinations include unusual environments like hot goat prairies and algific talus slopes, which is the scientific name for the bluff walls in the area. (Yes, there is natural air conditioning coming out of those cliff walls.) Plus there are amazing plant and animal species that colonize the area because of these rare microclimates.

Although 85% of the Driftless Zone is in Wisconsin, there is a fair portion in our state. And it's not so far away—the area starts just south of Fort Snelling.

The whole documentary is available on YouTube, so I won't spoil it for you. Take a look. It's a quick half hour education and a view into another world that's right in our backyard.



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early voting hours are posted at vote.minneapolismn.gov. In-person absentee voting is no longer at City Hall. The new site allows more privacy and easier access for voters than the City Hall Rotunda did.

Any voter can vote early; no reason is needed. Early in-person voting is convenient. It especially helps voters who need special accommodations, such as language support, that the extra time, attention and onsite resources of

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early in-person voting afford more readily than the polls might on Election Day.

People can also vote early (by absentee ballot) by mail. Please allow enough time to complete the process by mail; it can take longer than seven days. Absentee ballot

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Where we are Now

By Jean Deatrick

We are recovering from our 40th anniversary party. Since so many of you attended the fabulous and fun party at Anita and Rob Tabb's home, you know it was well-attended, great fun, and we were able to greet and renew old acquaintances, all the many people in the neighborhood who have contributed to the success of Hill and Lake Press. Thank you for your gifts, your gnerous contributions, your words of wisdom, and your warm expressions of gratitude that we continue on in spite of how different Hill and Lake Press is now. So the neighbors who started and persevered had ideas and fun and brought that spirit to our party.

Jane Johnson lived in East Isles for over 30 years and contributed to Hill and Lake Press as a writer, ad manager, and business manager. I didn't think I would sur-

vive without her when she and her husband Tim retired in England. She wisely helped my husband John Gridley take over the business end of Hill and Lake Press. Since he had spent his entire career as a financial manager, he was probably the right person.

Jane wrote an article for our May issue and many people have thanked me for that article and praised her writing. A friend suggested that we need a foreign correspondent, and lo and behold, when I asked her, she immediately submitted a column.

Please read her observations about Brexit since she now lives in Kent, England where she grew up.

And of course, I will always miss Jane, my dear friend.

HILL LAKE PRESS Selected Real Estate Sales Mary 2014

STREET		ORIGINAL	Seller	DAYS	SALE		BED	SQ	TAX	PROP	YR
ADDRESS		PRICE	Contrib	MKT	PRICE	TYPE	BATH	FT	VALUE	TAX	BLT
3151 Dean Court	B60\$	250,000 \$	-	81 9	200,000	С	2/2	1330	\$ 261,500		1983
48 Groveland Terr	B307	269,900	-	47	260,000	С	2/2	2081	207,180	3,289	1966
2112 Emerson S		295,000		0	295,000	C	2/1	1,550	227,000	3,641	1908
3141 Dean Court	#304	299,900	6,500	32	299,900	C	2/3	1,988	319,500	5,517	1983
1925 Dupont S	#4		-	35	340,000	С	3/1	1,650	242,000	3,844	1912
3145 Dean Court	#904	399,900	-	14	395,000	С	2/2	1,750	330,090	5,258	1983
1814 Mount Curve	#2	475,000		0	460,000	С	2/2	1,756	339,355	5,424	1954
1766 Girard S	#3	499,900	3,750	34	485,000	С	2/2	2,200	488,000	7,751	1903
2740 Drew S		599,900	2,500	53	599,900	Н	4/2	2,898	682,000	11,456	1940
1526 W 25th St		624,900	-	1	642,000	Н	3/3	2,365	538,500	8,696	1905
2004 Sheridan S		699,000	-	184	614,500	Н	3/3	2,601	474,500	7,851	1909
2822 Sunset Blvd		724,900		16	718,300	Н	4/4	2,916	663,500	11,099	1939
1736 Oliver S		750,000	####	155	719,000	Н	3/3	2,834	719,000	12,367	1910
1995 Sheridan S		779,900	-	0	779,000	н	3/3	2,088	612,500	10,113	1925
3504 St Paul Ave		849,900	6,000	21	844,000	Н	4/3	3,289	777,000	13,291	1923
2421 W 21st St		874,900	-	225	855,000	Н	4/4	3,663	756,500	12,894	1908
2417 Irving S		899,900	-	4	955,500	Н	7/6	5,291	1,138,500	21,462	1900
1911 Girard S		989,000	####	1	980,000	Н	5/6	4,167	829,000	14,459	1912
1805 Emerson S		1,095,000	•	119	1,050,000	н	5/4	4,978	813,000	13,986	1900
2785 Dean Pkwy		1,199,000	-	74	1,165,000	Н	4/4	3,966	646,500	11,293	1924
1705 Morgan S		1,250,000	-	421	1,128,500	н	5/5	4,541	1,437,000	26,575	1922
2681 E Lake of Isles P	kwy	1,250,000	-	20	1,215,000	Н	5/3	3,401	996,000	17,519	1906
3300 St Paul Ave		1,295,000	-	221	1,108,000	н	4/4	5,252	804,500	13,821	1988
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applications are available at vote.minneapolismn.gov/voters/absentee and may be submitted anytime throughout the year.

Voters can save time when voting early in person by taking these three steps

- 1. Make sure you're registered to vote. Voters can check the status of their registrations at vote.min-neapolismn.gov/voters/register.
- 2. Download and complete the absentee ballot application form in advance, and bring it when you go to vote. Find the request form at vote.minneapolismn.gov/voters/absentee.
- 3. Look at a sample ballot ahead of time; even bring it to refer to when you go to vote. Find your sample ballot at vote.minneapolismn.gov/voters/ballot.

What's on the ballot?

Partisan offices

- · United States Representative (District 5).
- · Minnesota State Senator (Districts 59 and 62).
- · Minnesota State Representative (Districts 59Å

and 60B).

Nonpartisan office

· Minnesota Supreme Court Associate Justice (Seat 6). State law allows voters to bring materials into the polls to help complete their ballots — and the sample ballot is the single, best tool available for this purpose. By downloading and printing their sample ballots (which are customized to their specific ward and precinct), voters can practice marking their ballots. They can bring this marked-up sample ballot as a reference to the voting booth when completing their official ballots. This is the best way to reduce the time spent waiting in lines.

Find sample ballots for all 132 Minneapolis precincts here: vote.minneapolismn.gov/voters/ballot.

Find out where to vote

Minneapolis added seven new precincts for 2016. In addition to the new precincts, seven polls were relocated. Find out where to vote by calling 311 or at vote.minneapolismn.gov/voters/where-to-vote.

Minneapolis 311 open during voting hours for Aug. 9.





Thursday, July 28th from 6-9pm (rain date 7/29) at Joanne Levin Triangle Park 26th & Irving

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Maria Nhambu, (likes to be called Nhambu) a former resident of Lowry Hill recently wrote a book, the first of a trilogy of her Memoirs. The book is Africa's Child. The second book will be America's Daughter, and the third will be Drum Beats, Heart Beats. She now spends summers as a resident of CIDNA and Winters in Florida. Books may be ordered through Amazon.com

A frica's Child

A four-day old infant of biracial parents was left at an orphanage and boarding school for mixed race children founded by German Catholic nuns in a remote mountain region of Tanzania, East Africa. I was that

As I grew up under their harsh control, I was con-

stantly reminded that neither race wanted me and that I was an outcast in African society. I had no mother, family or tribe. My name was "Fat Mary" and the nuns frequently reminded me that I was a "child of sin." Food and clothing were scarce. We were expected to work hard. The big girl in charge of me found excuses to beat me daily.

To survive I created another "Fat Mary"—my inner counselor and consoler—who guarded the sorrows, overwhelming emotions, good memories, and powerful events of my life for me until I could safely look at

I knew that education was my salvation and the only way to eventually make a life for myself. I found release and joy in dancing like the Africans.

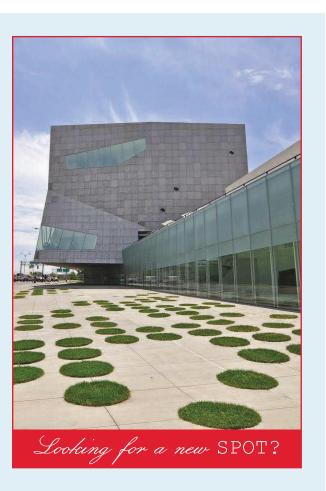
My story of being caught between cultures and races is told with stark honesty, humor and raw emotion. Africa's Child ends as I fly away from Africa to a new life in a new country.





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