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Seven Pools Update

We are sorry to announce the reconstruction of the Seven Pools will be delayed until 2021. On June 11th, the bids closed for the project and we announced our mid-July construction start date. On June 17th, the MPRB commissioners passed a resolution to allow homeless encampments in our city parks. As you can imagine, this resolution significantly affected the daily responsibilities of MPRB's staff and put a pause on working through the necessary details of the Seven Pools bids. As this is an extremely important process, particularly with the complexity of replicating such a unique, historical structure like the Seven Pools, MPRB staff did not want to rush through this.

In particular, the two pieces of the project bid MPRB is looking at are the finalization of funding for the project and verifying the qualifications of the subcontractors named within the bid. The lowest bid came in higher than the original estimated budget, due primarily to the increased scope required by the city of Minneapolis for water service connection and storm water discharge. MPRB is also confirming the proposed subcontractors within this lowest bid are able to meet the necessary qualifications for the critical thematic sculpting of the concrete. Thank you for patience and understanding of this situation, as I know we all have processed many unexpected changes this year. If you have any further questions, please reach out to us via the contact page on our website, thomaslowrypark.org. We want the community to be as informed and up-todate in this process as we are.

In terms of a broader Thomas Lowry Park update, we have had 410 volunteer gardening hours invested into our small park since March of this year. This is amazing!! Thank you to everyone who has participated (an average of 14 volunteers per event!) and particularly Suzanne and Bill Payne for their leadership of the volunteer gardening effort. They have served the Lowry Hill community in this capacity for 20+ years!! Volunteers meet the second Saturday morning of each month from 10am -12pm and we would love to have you join us on September 12th. Also - check out our Friends of Thomas Lowry Park Facebook page for pictures of our wonderful crew.

Again, I want to communicate the depth of encouragement you have brought the Friends of Thomas Lowry Park board by supporting the Save the Seven Pools campaign. In these trying times, it is a bright spot of hope.... that we are able to pull together to do what is right for our neighborhood park and future Minneapolis residents.

We are still accepting donations now that our bid has come in higher than anticipated. We also have 2-3 spots for individual or family group recognition on the Seven Pools Century Club memorial plaque (gifts of \$10,000 or more) which will be installed at the headwaters of the pools. Online donations can be made at thomaslowrypark.org or checks can be mailed to Friends of Thomas Lowry Park, c/o E. Shaffer, 1776 Colfax Ave S. Minneapolis, MN 55403.

Thank you, Elizabeth Shaffer for the Friends of Thomas Lowry Park board thomaslowrypark.org

FLOODED STREET? TURN AROUND

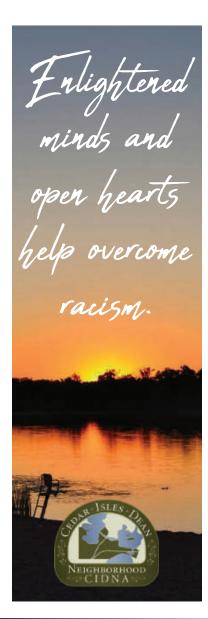


Photo by Dorothy Childers

When heavy rains flooded 24th Street, near Cedar Shore Drive, an unfortunate driver didn't turn around and ended up with a stalled car. Police cars, an ambulance, and a fire truck arrived at the scene to check on his welfare. The driver was unhurt and his next move was to call Triple AAA.

Anti-Racism Books Available in CIDNA's Little Free Libraries

by Mary Pattock and Amanda Vallone



CIDNA residents now have free access to a wideranging library of anti-racism books to borrow and share with each other.

About a dozen titles are available at Little Free Libraries located at 3519 West 29th Street and 2806 Dean Parkway (thanks to those homeowners!).

Residents are invited to borrow the books and return them to the same LFL from which they borrowed them.

The CIDNA board voted to purchase the books because — as CIDNA bookmarks inserted in each volume say — "Enlightened minds and open hearts help overcome racism."

The books take a look at race in America from numerous perspectives, including law, history, sociology, psychology — and in several genres, including essay, memoir, and fiction (by Southwest's own Louise Erdrich, from whose bookstore, Birchbark, most of the books were purchased).

The list of titles may be of interest to people looking to build their own library about race in America.

The New Jim Crow, Michelle Alexander The Fire Next Time, James Baldwin

The Little Book of Racial Healing, Thomas Norman DeWolf and Jodie Geddes

White Fragility, Robin DiAngelo

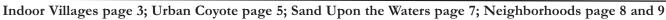
Yung Shin, ed.

Why I'm No Longer Talking To White People About Race, Reni Eddo-Lodge

The Night Watchman, Louise Erdrich
This Book is Anti-Racist, Tiffany Jewell (for teens)
How to Be an Antiracist, Ibram X. Kendi
My Grandmother's Hands, Resmaa Menakem

So you Want to talk about race, Ijeoma Oluo A Good Time for the Truth, Race in Minnesota, Sun

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St. Paul's on Lake of the Isles - Thankful for your support

St. Paul's first Collection Day was a great success due to the generous donations from our neighbors and parish. We received ten boxes of books; ten boxes of assorted personal hygiene products; five bags of clothes; eight huge bags of sheets, pillows, towels, and blankets; camping equipment (including 2 tents); six boxes of diapers; and 6 bags of food items. The donations were shared with Books for Africa, Joyce Uptown Food Shelf, Southside Care Center, and the Kenwood Encampment. We are thankful to everyone for the support of this outreach program. Mark your calendars for Collection Saturdays at St. Paul's, 1917 Logan Avenue South, Minneapolis, MN 55403. You can join us the 4th Saturday of every month.

This Saturday, August 22nd from 10 AM - 4 PM we will be collecting donations for the following needs:

Food Shelves: diapers, wipes, deodorant, personal hygiene products, cereal, peanut butter, granola bars, rice, dried beans, canned meats

Shelters, Care Centers, New housing: clean linens, kitchenware, cleaning products, new bathroom supplies, small housing electronics, car seats, garbage cans, large tubs, outdoor gear, new hygiene products, new first aid products, bus tokens, cell phones & minutes

Books for Africa: gently used or new culturally sensitive books as follows: popular fiction & nonfiction reading books, primary, secondary, & college textbooks, reference books such as encyclopedias & dictionaries

Donations are gathered at curbside, for the safety of all, during this time of COVID.

Impromptu jazz session at the corner of Girard and Lincoln.

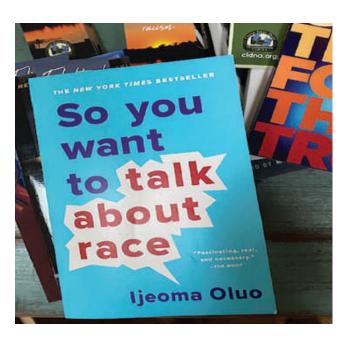


Photo by Dorothy Childers

A lovely event during this difficult time. Neighbors sat on porches, with friends and family, with people passing by enjoying with gratitude jazz music arranged by Michael Gold.

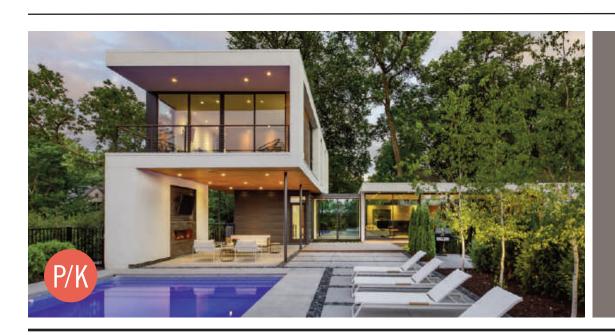
HAPPENINGS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD Because of the coronavirus we are staying home and meeting online, by phone, or by the internet and Zoom. Please check for changed meeting times in ads, in neighborhood minutes, and and in neighborhood websites.

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Indoor Villages: A 'Tiny Shelter' Solution to a Big Crisis

Courtney Cushing Kiernat, Kenwood
Craig Wilson, Lowry Hill

Earlier this summer, neighbors from Kenwood and Lowry Hill experienced first hand a homeless encampment in Kenwood Park. While reaction to the encampment was, at times, polarizing, there was general consensus that public parks are not a dignified nor safe place for our unsheltered neighbors to live.

In a time of great uncertainty in the aftermath of the murder of George Floyd, the on-going threat and repercussions of COVID-19, and the proliferation of over 100 encampments throughout Minneapolis, government agencies and service providers are stretched to capacity and limited in their ability to respond to our homeless crisis. In response, a group of Minneapolisbased advocates and elected, nonprofit and philanthropic leaders including ourselves, convened to develop innovative solutions. Solutions that address the needs of the over 4,000 people, disproportionately Native American and Black, who are homeless on any given night in Hennepin County. In partnership with social service professionals, private philanthropy, local government and people with lived experience of homelessness, we leveraged our diverse expertise to develop Villages Pilot www.indoorvillages.org.

We were inspired by the success of outdoor tiny home communities throughout the U.S and adapted this community building concept to our Minnesota Winters. The Indoor Villages Pilot Project is a rapidly deployable indoor community that addresses the urgent need to expand and enhance shelter and supportive services for people in Minneapolis experiencing unsheltered home-

Where we are Now! By Jean Deatrick

We continue to receive contributions and kind words of support. We are grateful. You may still make contributions to Hill and Lake

As I said last month and I will say it again, we live in a wonderful neighborhood. Considering that many businesses are still closed and boarded up, this is still a difficult time. We need to continue to be observant of racial inequities. It is so easy to forget and not notice. We need to help and to heal.

And friends, neighbors, advertisers, and readers of Hill and Lake Press. Thank you. And especially...

Bernadette Lindholm.

The Woman's Club of Minneapolis is pleased to announce Kevin Winge has been hired as its new Executive Director, effective September 1, 2020. Kevin is a graduate of the University of Minnesota and went on to earn a master's degree from the Harvard Kennedy School. For seventeen years, he led two innovative nonprofits that provide nutritious meals to people with chronic illness: Open Arms of Minnesota in Minneapolis and Project Open Hand in San Francisco. More recently, Kevin was the Senior Director of Development at the University of Minnesota Foundation."Kevin has dedicated himself to helping organizations re-invent themselves, with the belief that innovation, diversity, and a global perspective are key to vibrant creative communities," said Gloria Sewell, Woman's Club President. "He is a proven fundraiser and cultural leader with a broad range of experiences, who is poised to lead the Woman's Club into the future. We are thrilled to have him join the Woman's Club community as its new leader."

Founded in 1907, the Woman's Club is a non-profit organization that was founded to serve the needs of women and children. The Club supports more than a dozen charity groups, with some going back more than 100 years. "I fell in love with the Woman's Club 25 years ago when I saw the impact it had on the community," said Winge. "The Woman's Club has played an important role in the history of the City of Minneapolis and has an even more important role to play in the future."

lessness. It is an interior community made up of secure, private dwellings ("tiny shelters") within a climate controlled indoor structure designed to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and promote safety, stability and well being. Support services, such as mental health, chemical dependency and harm reduction services will be available on-site. The design and programming of Indoor Villages has been directly informed by people with lived experience of homelessness as well as our lead service providers, fiscal agent and shelter operator, Special Treatment Services and Simpson Housing Services.

The Indoor Villages Pilot Project is not meant to replace, rather complement and expand on existing government resources in partnership with State, County and City government entities. Last month Hennepin County and the City of Minneapolis issued \$3.5M in federal emergency aid related to Covid-19 to establish 50 beds for the American Indian community; 50 beds for homeless women; and approximately 203 beds for the elderly, medically frail and veterans (Star Tribune, 2020) for a total of 303 beds. Unfortunately this does not meet the current demand that is anticipated to grow, in the coming months, due to COVID-19 economic impacts.

A local family foundation generously stepped forward with a significant capital grant to launch the Pilot. We are actively pursuing additional State and local government and private funding opportunities to be able to open our doors to residents before Winter.

We invite you to learn more and get involved with our fundraising, communications and outreach efforts www.indoorvillages.org.



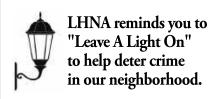


LHNA Monthly Board Meeting: Sept 1, 2020, 7p.m.

The Board is on hiatus for July and August. Meeting details will be posted at lowryhillneighborhood.org a week prior to the meeting.

LHNA Annual Meeting: October 2020

The annual meeting has been postponed until October. Details to come.



Support neighborhood businesses...

This summer, please support our local Lowry Hill neighborhood businesses. They need you!

For the latest updates, check our website: lowryhillneighborhood.org







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With Council Member Lisa Goodman's permission, excerpts from her recent newsletter are included here. Because of the anticipated large volume of mail-in and absentee ballots, we need to plan early. Thank you, Lisa.

Polling Places Changing Due to Pandemic

To help keep voters and Minneapolis residents safe during the COVID-19 pandemic, 50 of 125 polling places in Minneapolis are moving for the 2020 primary and general election. The changes will help protect people living in residential facilities and provide more space to keep voters a safe distance from elections staff and each other.

Of the 50 polling places being relocated, 16 were in senior homes, high-rises and other residential sites. Another 32 were in areas with limited space that would make it difficult for people to keep at least 6 feet from others inside. Two were moved due to on-site construction.

Minneapolis Elections & Voter Services partnered with Minneapolis Public Schools and the Minneapolis Park & Recreation board to find new locations for voting during the pandemic. In total, 94 buildings will be open for the Aug. 11 primary and Nov. 3 general elections, with 35 in schools and 22 in park buildings. Some buildings will have more than one voting precinct.

Registered voters will receive a postcard in the mail indicating their new polling locations. The Minnesota Secretary of State's polling place finder can also provide voters their new polling places. These locations will be the same for the Aug. 11 primary and Nov. 3 general elections. All voters choosing to vote in person on Election Day should check the online polling place finder or call 311 to verify their polling place.

Ward 7 Polling Places

Bryn Mawr North (7-1C): Bryn Mawr Community School (252 Upton Ave South)

Kenwood (7-2D): Kenwood School (2013 Penn Ave South)

Lowry Hill (7-3): Temple Israel (2324 Emerson Ave South – Fremont Ave Entrance)

Cedar/Isles/Dean (7-4D): Kenwood School (2013 Penn Ave South)

Lowry Hill (7-5): St. Mark's Episcopal Cathedral (519 Oak Grove Street)

Downtown West (7-6): Westminster Presbyterian Church (1200 Marquette Avenue) Bryn Mawr South (7-7): Bryn Mawr Community

School (252 Upton Ave South)

Loring Park (7-8): Emerson Spanish Immersion School (1421 Spruce Place)

East Isles (7-9): Temple Israel (2324 Emerson Ave South – Fremont Ave Entrance) Steven Square West (7-10): Plymouth

Congregational Church (1900 Nicollet Avenue)

Voters: Get Your Ballot in Early Without Leaving Your Vehicle with Drive-Through Ballot Drop-Off

Minneapolis Elections & Voter Services will have a drive-through – and walk-through and bike-through – option at 980 E. Hennepin Ave. for voters returning their completed mail ballots. Staying in your vehicle or on your bike not only makes returning ballots faster and more convenient, it also helps you maintain a good physical distance during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is encouraging voting early by mail, and Minneapolis Elections & Voter Services supports voting early by mail along with other CDC and Minneapolis Health Department recommendations to make sure every voter in Minneapolis can safely cast their ballots this election year.

Check the Status of Your Absentee Ballot

Here is the link to the Secretary of State's online "absentee ballot tracker" application:

https://mnvotes.sos.state.mn.us/AbsenteeBall otStatus.aspx

Important Census Updates: Complete Your Census by Sept. 30, Census Takers Begin Door Knocking

Have you completed the census yet? Completing the census will ensure that our communities receive resources for programs and services that we need. Many programs that our communities rely on, including

SNAP, Medicaid, CHIP and Head Start are funded through data that is obtained by the census. The 2020 Census is our chance to shape the future of Minneapolis for the next 10 years.

Census takers have begun following up in Minneapolis with households that haven't yet completed the 2020 Census. Census staff have been hired locally and are here to help households complete their census forms. The goal of census door knockers is to help get an accurate count. Census staffers can be easily identified by a valid government ID badge that includes their photograph and a U.S. Department of Commerce watermark.

Census field staff follow both CDC and local public health guidelines, are trained in physical distancing protocols and will provide census takers with masks during their visit. Census staff have sworn a lifetime oath of confidentiality. Any information that you provide to them will not be shared with any entity other than the Census Bureau for statistical purposes only and never to identify an individual.

Find more information here on verifying a census taker's identity, COVID-19 protocols or the strategy to visit households that haven't responded yet.

Fill out your census

If you haven't yet completed the 2020 Census application and would like to avoid a census taker coming to your home, you can submit your form online, by phone or through the mail (using the U.S. Census Bureau form that you received in the mail at home). Language assistance is offered in multiple languages online or over the phone and can also be requested at your visit if they come to your home.

Take your census by Sept. 30

The U.S. Census Bureau officially announced that the 2020 Census self-response period will end Sept. 30, 2020. This means that there are less than two months remaining to ensure that our communities are counted and that we get the resources that we need for the next 10 years.

In 2010, Minneapolis had a census completion rate of 72.8%. Currently, Minneapolis has a completion rate of 69.9%. It is important – now more than ever – that our communities are counted.

Let's get counted, Minneapolis.

City Seeking Diversity of Applicants for Fall Openings on Boards and Commissions Appointments

Twenty-four City boards and commissions have openings for appointments this fall. The City seeks applicants with a diversity of backgrounds and experiences representing the demographics of Minneapolis to strengthen the work of the City. Translation and interpreting services are available so all residents can participate. The positions are open until filled; application review begins Sept. 30 unless marked otherwise.

City boards and commissions have brought forward recommendations that resulted in renter protections, wage protections and a ban on a hazardous chemical in dry cleaning. Board and commission members in the City of Minneapolis help shape key policy decisions, give community-based input into the City's administra-

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tion of services and supply valuable insights.

People can apply through the open position pages linked below and stay up to date on vacancies, position descriptions and timelines by visiting minneapolismn.gov/boards/openings. Applications are open now.

These 24 City boards and commissions have 97 open positions:

- Animal Care and Control Advisory Board.
- Arts Commission, Minneapolis.
- Bicycle Advisory Committee.
- Capital Long-Range Improvements Committee.
 - Commission on Civil Rights, Minneapolis.
- Community Environmental Advisory Committee.
 - Futuro Latino Empowerment Commission.
 - Heritage Preservation Commission.
 - Minneapolis Advisory Committee on Aging.
 - Minneapolis Advisory Committee on Housing.
- Minneapolis Advisory Committee on People with Disabilities.
 - Minneapolis Public Housing Authority.
 - Northside Green Zone Council.
 - Pedestrian Advisory Committee.
 - Police Conduct Oversight Commission.
 - Police Conduct Review Panel.
 - Public Health Advisory Committee.
- Racial Equity Community Advisory Committee.
 - Transgender Equity Council.
- Southside Green Zone Council. (Application review will begin Aug. 9.)
- Workforce Development Board, Minneapolis. (Application review will begin Aug. 15.)
 - Workplace Advisory Committee.
 - Violence Prevention Steering Committee.
 - Zoning Board of Adjustment.

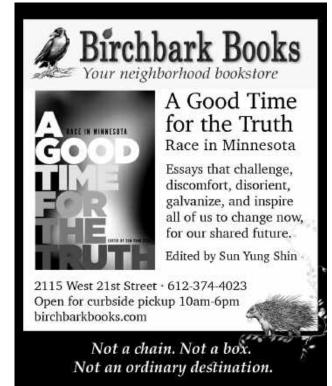
Boards, commissions and advisory committees

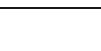
The City of Minneapolis has more than 50 volunteer-based boards, commissions and advisory committees that advise the City on issues and help develop policy and administer services. Boards and commissions fall into a handful of categories: appeal boards, development boards, general advisory boards and special service districts (defined areas within the city with special services).

Appointments to boards and commissions are made twice a year: in the spring and fall.

Potential applicants can find more information at 612-673-2216 or OpenAppointments@minneapolismn.gov.

National Night Out Recommended Date Changes to Sept. 15 for 2020





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THE SOUL OF THE CITY

By James P. Lenfestey

I am reading "The Soul of America" by Pulitzerprize winning historian John Meacham. He describes the slow, painful walk from the revolutionary founding of the world's first democracy, representing only some white men, through the overturning of Native treaty rights, to the Civil War over chattel slavery and states' rights, to the abandonment of the Northern victory to vicious Jim Crow and the KKK and Southern obstruction, to Lyndon Johnson's passage of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, which is a reasonable date to celebrate the actual freeing of Southern slaves from institutional repression. In the many interstices of that long struggle to the Black Lives Matter eruption now, are many further steps backward (think KKK and racist and anti-Semitic red-lined mortgages and neighborhoods) and forward, the most prominent the long Women's Suffrage and Civil Rights and Gay Rights struggles that pried opened the doors to full membership and ownership in the neighborhood. IF you had the price of entry. That last fact is now looked upon darkly by city council planners. What are we to make of that?

Minneapolis has a stark racist past, as abundantly documented in the TPT documentary "Jim Crow of the North," and our neighborhood was not exempt, as I documented in this paper fifteen months ago with the story of Frank and Ida-Lorraine Wilderson's breaking of the color line of home ownership in our neighborhood in 1963. But today our beloved neighborhood is a true rainbow spectrum of homeowners and renters. Still, we may have some atoning to do.

But what? Our former mayor Betsy Hodges has accused Minneapolis' liberal residents of perpetuating racial injustice by among other things supporting downzoning to recapture neighborhoods from blight, revive city tax coffers, and not incidentally reverse suburban flight. The charge is non-sensical. Gentrification is by definition and economic process, not racial, although

often with racial effects. The same is true of wine versus beer.

So is the right solution up-zoning the city for more multi-family housing on blocks where space can be found or created by developers, as was the case in postwar years prior to zoning restrictions? For some appropriate locations, yes. A good example is my own Lowry Hill neighborhood, already a successful mixture of single and multi-family residences.

But be careful. What city planners forget is that Minneapolis and St Paul are surrounded by independent suburbs subject to quite different zoning and housing regulations. This is an antiquated system - we should have full metro-wide government, as suburbs are clearly part of one metro area. but that is a complicated subject for the voting booth. Meanwhile people who favor more room for raising families can move only a few blocks to more accommodating communities. Once this was called white but in fact family flight, much reversed in recent decades. But if chaos reigns, we could see a new flight to suburban safety.

And what is clearly not productive WAS to turn the nation's premier park system into a homeless housing camp. The naïve Park Board seems to have somewhat caught on, but in fact remains clueless about the needs of this tragic population booming around the country. Would that they would have listened to Marion Greene and the county board about the many county homeless services.

The Soul of our city, Minneapolis, is accessibility, brainpower in business, professions and universities, superb park system, long-view planning, strong school systems, world-class facilities from the airport to artsorganizations and theaters to, yes, the Mall of America to 5G, and a much-maligned but in fact superb infrastructure for poor and immigrant populations. What has certainly not been achieved is affordable housing for all.

What is the soul of the neighborhood? Community. Built on access, safety, communication,

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assumed economic and social stability, and a generally fair-minded outlook on the world.

Racism, sexism and homophobia are diseases, like Covid-19. Since the late Sixties our neighborhood has been blessedly freed from these viruses, welcoming all as neighbors. If one can afford the entry fee.

The subtitle of Meacham's book is, "The Battle for Our Better Angels." Do you see them ahead, in our fraught political moment of unrest, pandemic, tyranny and toadyism to Vladimir Putin abetted by Beelzebub McConnell? I do. They are in the ballot box, the Democrats housed therein around the country. They are not perfect as people or policymakers, nor, as Meacham reminds us, were Lincoln or FDR or Lyndon Johnson or Humphrey. But they acted on the right side of history, expanding civil and human rights and opportunities. But to be effective they needed, and we need, a convincing majority to overturn the madness of the moment and, as Martin Luther King Jr. put it, bend the arc of history toward justice.

NOTE. VOTE BY MAIL no later than October 15, or in person on Nov 3, social distanced, to make sure your vote is counted, given the overt kneecapping of the post office and voting rights nationally.

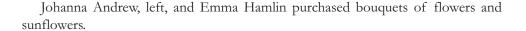
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East Isles Farmers Market, Purveyors of Local Provisions





East Isles Farmers Market

Photos by Dorothy Childers

Debbie Gold, co-chair of the East Isles Farmers Market, makes and sells Salty Dill Pickles and Apricot Jam at a table reserved for neighbors' wares.

Located at 1420 The Mall, between Humboldt and Irving Avenues in Uptown, Minneapolis. Open weekly on Thursdays from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. The Market will be running until September 17th. There is a COVID plan in place requesting that all vendors and visitors wear a mask for everyone's safety. The Market features three regular produce vendors, a knife sharpener, empanadas, olive oil, Turkish towels, mushrooms, craft coffee, flowers, fresh pies whole, or by the slice, and more. For more information: East Isles Farmers Market

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Sand Upon the Waters

By Tom H. Cook

We have the Neighborhood Sale sale coming up on September 12th and boy is it a good excuse to move on items we have been staring at for half a year! That hardcover copy of *Infinite Jest*, "Guest towels" (I mean who has company), the dishes for "entertaining"

Lots to sell, plus you get to see your masked neighbors and trade stories. This piece from 2012 tells of another era. Some things change, others are early the same.

This past winter may be viewed as an ominous sign of accelerated climate change, a count your blessings/anomaly/glitch/hiccup in the grand fabric of time, or a well-deserved theological payback/apology for the winter of 2010-2011. Whoever gets the credit, and I am sure both political parties (and jingoistic city councils all over the region) will put in for it, Minnesota was spared! It was an unseasonably mild winter, and a ridiculously early spring. We may pay for this "winter that wasn't" with a lowered water table, a higher likelihood of drought conditions and possible famine. On the bright side garage sales are off to the earliest start since the legendary magic Summer of '91.

The first blender (a Sunbeam 1180 with a cracked beaker and missing lid) was sold by Hazel T. of Lowry Hill on March 3rd. The same day, Chris R. on Colfax found a complete Ikea bookcase and desk set. Decades-old records for quantity and quality of March sales were shattered. There were 83 Craigslist entries for the second weekend alone. Experts -- all right, it was Weasel, the creepy guy in the old van with the fedora and the toothpick -- warned that this fevered pace would diminish inventory for the fall community rummage sales. What he said rather gleefully through tobacco-stained teeth was, "Them churches is gonna be @#%*^!" Still the stuff is flying around. Roasting pans, John Grisham hardbacks, a Velvet Underground album, pepper mills, turkey basters, Ann Taylor skirts, kids toys, Pottery Barn dishes, Pirelli snow tires, and a mostly complete set of metric socket wrenches.

Admittedly I am not in direct contact with Weasel, but I do have my sources on the ground and they assure me that the neighborhood is jumping. As I remain in exile in Southern California, the land of year-round sales, I admit that I miss the seasonal frenzy of "opening day" and a climate-limited short season. Here some sales appear to be an afterthought. Late Friday night it seems like a few couples are having a drink and one of them says, "Hey, let's get rid of some of our old #@%\$ tomorrow." The next day, not too early, they throw boxes of old plastic toys, piles of size 2 clothing, dead VCRs and tapes, margarine tubs, and assorted Harley motorcycle parts on the driveway in front of the carport. Nothing is priced. The sale probably doesn't generate enough to pay for the Starbucks run. Around 11:00 AM they all decide to go to the beach.

This is so different from the Minnesota Lutheran Women's Club which meticulously cleans and presses each item of clothing and carefully pins a color coded price tag on every children's T-shirt even though they are all 25 cents. I go to sales here despite the paucity of goods compared to the Twin Cities. I get in less trouble. It's like an all you can eat beet restaurant.

I continue to enjoy the odd and unique: a WIN (Whip Inflation Now) button, Collier's magazines, and other less practical stuff. Since I avoid stores whenever possible, finding a dog bed, a giant ice cream bowl, a goose neck lamp that really works, and a lounge chair I didn't know I needed is very gratifying.

Since there are few sales, I often bring Hannah, the nearly perfect border collie, and we adventure together. Our favorite is a greener pastures sale. People moving on, not because of a death or divorce, but an opportunity. The kids want to pet the dog, which delights Hannah. The adults are filled with descriptions of Fish Tail Creek or whatever smogless, low density dogs-runfree paradise they are moving to. I occasionally pick up some CDs (the birds in the trees is all the music the sellers will need), but it is a joy to hear about their plans.

When the sale holder asks too inquisitively what I am looking for, I may say, "A left rear axle for a 1956 Hudson Hornet." They usually sputter and back off. More often people are genial and I will answer truthful-

Tin Fish Has Gone Mobile as "Tin Fish To-Go-Go!"



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Customers lined up to get their favorite foods at one of Tin Fish's locations. Also known as Kurbside Catering, they serve Tin Fish classics around the Twin Cities. On most Thursdays, from 5 p.m. until 8 p.m., they can be found at 34th Street and Irving Avenue, South. For more information and their schedule and menu, go to www.kurbsidecatering.com

ly that I don't believe I need anything, but I am ready to be surprised.

The real question is why garage sales still have a hold on me. Without sounding too much like Mr. Rogers, I am very curious about the people in my neighborhood. I like having the excuse to not only enter a yard, but be welcomed and urged to poke around. I will often make an innocuous, generally humorous remark and see if the proprietor is willing to play while I rummage. If they catch my irreverence, witty banter may ensue! It is like a mini-holiday when people routinely exchange greetings. Do their discarded books and clothing match my sense of them? Do we seem to have common values and world view? Do I have a new best friend? They may remember Hannah if she is along, but likely we will

be barely nodding strangers again within a week.

I am not looking for a friend or my childhood sled in Los Angeles. Perhaps I am comforted that in 1972 paperbacks were 25 to 50 cents, just as they are today. Betamax, bell bottoms, turntables, everything gets one last reprieve before the landfill. Many people view quarters, dimes and nickels as nearly valueless clutter. Every Saturday I use my collected change to rescue a few items. Later in the day when I am supposed to have left the silliness of sales behind I am Homer of the Odyssey (not of the Simpsons) dispatched to Trader Joe's. Brave Odysseus confronted by the siren song of the harpies, iridescent signs promising HH misc!!! I am powerless to resist.



NEIGHBORHOOD SUPER SALE!

Saturday September 12th 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.





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East Isles and Lowry Hill residents can register their yard sale to be a part of our Neighborhood Super Sale. The registration fee covers ads, yard signs and maps we will distribute showing sellers' locations. Disabled American Veterans will pick up unsold items on Monday after the sale if you choose this option on the sign up form.

Deadline for seller registration: August 28th.

If you prefer to pay by check, see website for details: lowryhillneighborhood.org or eastisles.org



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By Deb Jessen



CEDAR-ISLES-DEAN NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING MINUTES, August 12, 2020

The meeting was held via Zoom.

Board members attending: Chair Mary Pattock, Secretary Rosanne Halloran, Evan Carlson, Stephen Goltry, James Reid, Claire Ruebeck, Amanda Vallone

Coordinator: Deb Jessen

Absent: Gabriel Andrews, Treasurer Clem Foltz Invited guests: City Council Member Lisa Goodman, Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board (MPRB) Commissioner and President Jono Cowgill, Met Council Outreach Coordinator David Davies

Chair Mary Pattock called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

The board approved the minutes from the July 8, 2020, board meeting.

City Council Member Lisa Goodman, Ward 7

Lunch with Lisa will resume in September with a socially distanced field trip to the Dayton's Project. Details will be announced later.

The City Charter Commission voted 10-5 against putting a proposed amendment to the City Charter relating to the future of public safety on the November 2, 2020, ballot.

Lisa deferred to MPRB Commissioner and President Jono Cowgill regarding homeless encampments in the Minneapolis parks. She has been working on creative solutions for homelessness, particularly tiny indoor dwellings. She will have detailed information regarding housing in her August 14 newsletter.

The hotel planned for Excelsior Boulevard and Lake Street will not be built. A 55-unit condominium will be built in its approved footprint, with one fewer curb cut. There will be no curb cut on Lake Street. Groundbreaking is expected in mid-fall.

National Night Out was postponed until September 15. Specific COVID-19 safety protocols must be followed.

Comments on the Neighborhoods 2020 proposed plan are due by September 30.

In the recent City budget-cutting moves, all government contracts were cut 15%. No contracts with Minneapolis neighborhood associations were cut, as the 15% cut came from uncontracted NRP funds not dedicated to specific neighborhoods. There is a \$17 million balance in that Phase 1 uncontracted NRP fund.

Chair's Report, Mary Pattock

Mary introduced CIDNA board candidate Dean Kephart. Dean has been a CIDNA-area resident for more than 20 years, was a Target Corporation marketing professional, and now serves as the Vice President of Insight and Change at ServeMinnesota. The board voted him to the board unanimously.

The Communication Committee is starting to work on CIDNA branding and design, which is needed for website redesign. The committee is also working on how to preserve CIDNA's electronic records and communications. Mary invited the advice of community members with relevant expertise.

Racial justice update: 1) CIDNA has purchased antiracist books that residents can borrow from Little Free Libraries at 3519 W. 29th St. and 2806 Dean Parkway; 2) CIDNA policy statements on police department reform and the proposed amendment to the Minneapolis City Charter were sent to elected officials, announced in the e-newsletter, and posted on the website.

In response to the pandemic, the CIDNA board made donations to Joyce Uptown Foodshelf and Jones-Harrison Residence.

Mary asked for suggestions for annual meeting

speakers.

There are several openings on the CIDNA board. Current members are encouraged to recruit new members.

Environmental Preservation Committee, Claire Ruebeck and James Reid.

Claire said the committee submitted additional comments on the Southwest Service Area Master Plan to the MPRB In July, 10 neighborhood gardeners volunteered at Park Siding Park, following COVID-19 safety protocols; the next gardening day is Saturday, August 15. People for Parks has merged with the Minneapolis Park Foundation. The committee will continue monitoring the foundation for grant possibilities.

James, an alternate to the MPRB Cedar Lake-Lake of the Isles Master Plan Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC), said he attended its August 3 meeting. The CAC decided to continue its work via virtual meetings. There are still open CAC positions.

Deb reported that planning has started for CIDNA's MPRB Community Collaborator grant virtual Parks for All outreach sessions on September 29 and October 29.

MPRB Commissioner and President Jono Cowgill thanked the board for its work with MPRB. Regarding tent encampments in the parks, he acknowledged concerns for the safety of campers and surrounding neighborhoods. Governor Walz's executive order at the beginning of the pandemic disallowed clearing of encampments, leading to their growth in Minneapolis parks, particularly Powderhorn. The encampments grew under a "perfect storm" of issues including the pandemic and civil unrest following George Floyd's murder, and resulting financial troubles. MPRB now issues two-week permits for encampments that include rules and limit size to 25 tents. MPRB can clear encampments that violate rules. MPRB is working to get people out of parks into housing. MPRB is not the entity responsible for homelessness but is working with other government agencies to find housing for those currently living in Minneapolis parks. Jono reported that the budget process has begun. There has been much lost revenue in 2020, and cuts will have to be made for 2021. However, MPRB will maintain the integrity of the park system and staff.

Transportation Committee

David Davies, Community Outreach Coordinator for the Met Council, addressed the July 15 crane boom accident that caused the crane to topple and forced many nearby CIDNA-area households to be evacuated for several hours. Met Council coordinated evacuation, freight train stoppage, and Minneapolis Fire Department response. Met Council investigated the accident and found the crane operator, who left the cab while the crane and the piler were in operation, to be at fault, and terminated him. In addition, they suspended the piler operator, found to be at limited fault. Next steps will be to coordinate best practices with entities such as Minnesota Department of Transportation, follow up with Minnesota Occupational Safety and Health Administration (MNOSHA), and conduct a safety review of the crane involved in the accident.

Dave said the Met Council is confident about its safety practices and responses to construction accidents. However, board members and guests had several questions for Dave:

Given that this is the third potentially fatal safety incident within the first year of construction, what specific, operational steps has Met Council taken to prevent further accidents?

Will there be an independent, third-party review of the accident?

A copy of Met Council communications to MN-OSHA was requested.

How is Met Council holding its contractors and subcontractors responsible for accidents? Could they, for example, impose a \$1 million penalty if there were future accidents due to neglect or operator error?

Can CIDNA meet with Met Council representatives who have answers to these and other neighborhood resident concerns?

Dave will take these questions and concerns back to the Met Council. Board members thanked Dave for his work

Coordinator's Report, Deb Jessen

Deb's schedule will continue to be flexible, but most work hours will fall within the following schedule: Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 10:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

A routine reimbursement request of \$5,615.85 was sent to the City; funds will be electronically deposited in CIDNA's bank account.

A motion was made to approve CIDNA's plan modification (approved for neighborhood notice at the July 2020 board meeting). Two board members questioned the proposal's wording, so the motion was withdrawn. Deb said she would verify whether the language is correct. (Note: the language was later found to be correct, so the board will be asked to proceed with the vote online.)

Treasurer's Report

Mary gave the treasurer's report in Clem's absence. Pursuant to the 2019 CIDNA board decision to engage Robert Thompson, a professional accountant, these practices have been implemented:

Robert sends CIDNA a monthly statement of activities.

He has developed a new document tracking CIDNA's NRP and CPP contracts with the City, which will be updated quarterly.

He will call attention to any and all financial issues should they arise.

Social Committee, Amanda Vallone

Amanda announced that all books for CIDNA's Little Free Libraries anti-racism initiative have been purchased, with CIDNA bookplates and a CIDNA bookmark with the message: "Enlightened minds and open hearts help overcome racism." The Governance Committee approved the expenditures for the bookplates and bookmarks.

The board approved spending up to \$1,500 to create at least 2 mailers raising awareness for events/projects including CIDNA annual meeting, Community Collaborator Parks for All, and online Art Mart, to CIDNA-area residents.

Land Use and Zoning Committee, Evan Carlson

Work will take place to contain environmental contaminants found at the Calhoun Towers site.

Apartment Investment and Management Company (AIMCO), owners of the Calhoun Beach Club (name change pending), sent out notification that the group is still planning redevelopment. The gym is currently

Neighborhood Safety Committee, Steve Goltry

Lake Street sidewalks continue to be in safe condition

Communications Committee, Mary Pattock

Mary reiterated that the Communication Committee is starting work on a program for consistent CIDNA branding and design and said she has contacted a potential designer.

Old Business, Mary Pattock

Rosanne designed a Census 2020 flyer to post in multi-unit buildings. Census 2020 will end on September 30, 2020, and Census employees are visiting those who have not completed their census; click this link for more information: What to expect when a census taker visits you.

CIDNA neighborhood has a 72.6% Census completion rate. Minnesota leads the country with its completion rate of 76.6%.

New Business: There was no new business.

Next meeting will be held virtually on:

Wednesday, September 9, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Those who wish to participate should email: info@cidna.org.

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



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Join Weekly Racial Justice Rally By Stacia Goodman

Each Monday evening from 7–7:15 p.m, neighbors, friends and racial justice supporters are invited to join a silent rally at the intersection of Dean Parkway and Lake Street, near Lake Pointe and the formerly called "Calhoun Beach Club." Participants hold signs, some raise fists or kneel to show their support during 15 minutes of total silence. Meet at 6:50 p.m. on the Dean greenway prior to lining the sidewalks. Please observe social distancing and wear masks.

"Racial injustice is a pandemic itself. Our event grew from a desire to keep this critical issue in the forefront, following the death of George Floyd and so many others," said CIDNA resident and rally founder, Patty Schmitz. She added that participants are similarly intentioned and not affiliated with any organization. The group, which has been meeting for two months, welcomes others to join or to create their own event in their neighborhoods. If you have questions, reach out to Patty (pschmitz2806@gmail.com) or co-organizer Stacia Goodman (stacia@staciagoodman.com).



Photo by Alex Dietz

CIDNA residents and others have joined forces for an ongoing weekly racial justice rally. Bring your own sign, or the group has extras.

Kenwood Neighborhood Organization (KNO) Meeting Minutes

Monday, August 3, 2020

KNO Board met on August 3, 2020, via GoTo Meeting due to COVID.

Chair Mark Brown called the meeting to order at 7:05pm

Directors present: Chair Mark Brown, Treasurer Matt Spies, Angie Erdrich, Evelyn Turner, Jeremy Nichols, Jack Levi, Kyle Leir, Will Stensrud, Absent: Melinda Platt, Jono Cowgill (President, Commissioner Minneapolis Park & Recreation Board Commissioner) Marc Holtey

Also present: Lisa Goodman, Amanda Vallone, Eric Larson, Carl Goldstein, Marnita, Jodi Strakosch, David Davies, Dana Fox, Courtney Kiernat, Josine Peters, Megan MacFarland, , Art Turcotte, Ron Lotz,

Jeremy Nichols requested to approve the agenda and second the motion and all agreed. Motion passed.

Council Member Lisa Goodman, Ward 7

National Night Out moved to September 15th Event safety in a pandemic

A safe event during a pandemic follows guidelines from the Minneapolis Health Department, Minnesota Department of Health and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention:

Events are outdoors.

People keep their masks on when they're not eating or drinking.

People keep at least 6 feet from others not in their household.

Households bring their own food, beverages, utensils, tables and chairs.

Census field staff follow both CDC and local public health guidelines, are trained in physical distancing protocols and will provide census takers with masks during their visit. Census staff have sworn a lifetime oath of confidentiality. Any information that you provide to them will not be shared with any entity other than the Census Bureau for statistical purposes only and never to identify an individual. Find more information here on verifying a census taker's identity, COVID-19 protocols or the strategy to visit households that haven't responded yet.

Resident Voices

Longtime residents expressed extreme frustration about public safety in our community. Not comfortable with having a Neighborhood Watch group without training and proper notification to the community.

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There was an incident involving racial profiling targeted at longtime residents in the community.

David **SWLRT** Update with Community Outreach Coord.

7/15 crane incident follow-up: unfortunate, caused frustration and anxiety for community. The error by the crane operator was dangerous and costly. Crane operator was terminated.

Investigation and subsequent actions taken by Contractor are satisfactory to return to work with cranes in the area.

Contractor deploys additional flagging staff in areas where cranes are adjacent to public uses, but concerns persist about how crane or other equipment could enter public realm and cause damage or injury to bystanders. It is on Contractor and Project Office to ensure that safety precautions are taken so that an incident like this never happens again.

Board would like to see summary of incident on website for reference.

Proposed work at 21st Street – targeting Labor Day weekend

Scope of work: utility work that crosses rail corridor, as well as track work. Details still being worked

Discussions of completing work in a 36-hour window during already scheduled freight rail outage. Proposed window is Saturday 9/5 PM to Monday 9/7 AM.

Permits are not yet approved for this extendedhours work. Coordination continues with Park Board, City of Minneapolis.

Numerous pieces of information to clarify, but most important is access to residents of Upton Avenue on west side of corridor. Understanding that there are residents with critical mobility limitations.

More information is expected in the next week; KNO Board president and Upton Ave resident Mark Brown is graciously offering to help organize virtual encounter with representatives of households on Upton. Would like to understand the benefits of



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scheduling this work at this time.

Additional upcoming work not mentioned at meet-

Cedar Lake Channel: demolition of old freight bridge should commence in the next 2-3 weeks. Highvibration pile-driving will follow to start construction on the new LRT bridge. Residents in the area have been provided initial notification.

Park Encampments in the City

Jono Cowgill was not present, therefore not giving an update on the park encampments.

There are currently 416 tents in 36 park locations. UPDATE SINCE MEETING: The Kenwood Encampment has been cleared out as of 8/14/20

East Cedar Lake Beach Update - Will Stensrud & Amanda Vallone

The Hidden Acoustics pop up series has brought some wonderful live music for beach goers to enjoy socially distanced this month.

The Pirate & Mermaid Virtual event will kick off on the Kenwood Neighborhood Organization's facebook page. Be sure to like and follow our neighborhood page for fun challenges, photos and videos for some family

Treasurer Update - Matt Spies

No updates this month.

Board Motion – A motion to push the monthly meeting for September to the 2nd Monday September 14th was made by Jeremy Nichols and 2nd by Matt Spies. All were in favor and motion passes.

The meeting was adjourned by Chair Mark Brown at 8:56pm.

Action Between Meetings - All

KIAA Board Priorities 2017-2019 (standing topic and reminder)

- Address Southwest Light Rail Issues
- Protect our Lakes/Parks/Environment
- East Cedar Lake Beach Safety
- Support Kenwood Rec Center, School, and Neighborhood Events
- Contract consultant to assist with communication/c

Updates: Please visit our website at https://www.kenwoodmpls.org/.

If you are interested in participating on the Board, please contact us via our website.

The next Kenwood Neighborhood Organization (KNO) Board meeting is on September 14th from 7:00-8:30 p.m. via GoTo Virtual Meeting. Monthly meetings are held on the first calendar Monday of each month unless otherwise noted. KNO invites and encourages participation by every resident, including renters to each program, service, and event organized by KNO. Should you require an accommodation in order for you to fully participate, please let us know by contacting us at kenwoodmpls.org

FRIENDS

How do you feel? Isn't all this just unreal? In March we got the COVID word-Now it's August- that seems absurd!

What have you done To have some summer fun? I have stayed pretty close to home-No place I care to run!

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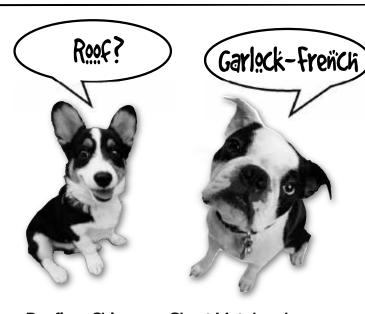
Until things get better, no place to fly- When I see the news I want to cry!

In October, I will start year forty-nine, By my reckoning I am doing fine- Somehow after all this time, I can't seem to find the finish line!

I think I just carry the auto lust-Thankfully I haven't begun to rust-I am glad I haven't lost your trust, And the pandemic hasn't caused me to go bust!

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Mermaids and Pirates at East Cedar Lake Beach?!

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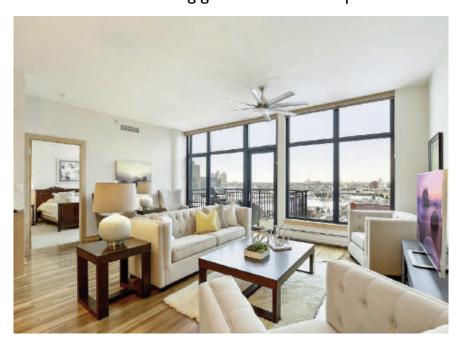
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