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In high-turnout November 6 election, how did we do? Definitely above average.

By Michael Wilson

Elections and voting are the bedrocks of our democracy, the guarantors that our noble and sometimes seemingly fragile American experiment in self-governance can continue to endure. After two tumultuous years on the national political scene and with the very integrity of "one citizen, one vote" increasingly under attack, the November 6 election was foreseen as a bellwether for the health of our system. Would large numbers of eligible voters tune out, or would they instead make their voices heard.

Former President Barack Obama exhorted students at the University of Illinois on September 7 to "vote because our democracy depends on it." And close to 120 million Americans, just over 50 percent of eligible voters, got the message, according to latest data from the United States Election Project. The 2018 totals edged past 1966, the previous high-water mark, when 49 percent of eligible voters showed up at the polls.

Minnesota once again led the nation with more than 2.6 million or 64.25 percent of eligible voters casting ballots, according to the Minnesota Secretary of State's office. "We were No. 1, and not by a little bit," Secretary of State Steve Simon said. "We beat the second-place finisher, the state of Colorado, by over a full percentage point, which in election terms is a lot."

The 2002 midterm election retains the highest-turnout distinction with 64.89 percent participation of eligible voters, the most since modern record-keeping began in 1950.

City sees record midterm-election turnout.

Minneapolis topped the statewide turnout figure this year with 67.7 percent of eligible residents casting a total of 207,114 ballots. (The technical term for "eligible residents" is Estimated Citizen Voting Age Population, derived from the U.S. Census Bureau's annual American Community Survey.) The city's Elections and Voter Services department, using the precise number of registered voters who actually cast ballots, reports that 76 percent of registered voters cast ballots this year.

Minneapolis has had 13 City Council wards since 1887, a number fixed in the city's Charter. The number of precincts -- currently, 132 -- as well as the boundaries of both wards and precincts can change following a process specified in the Charter. The decennial census is almost always a time for such changes.

If "all politics is local," as former Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives Tip O'Neill famously said, how did our four Hill and Lake neighborhoods do on November 6? We might like to believe that Kenwood, Lowry Hill, East Isles, and Cedar-Isles-Dean outdid the fictional children of Lake Wobegon, but the truth is our turnout among Minneapolis precincts this year was ... above average.

Six Ward 7 precincts top 80 percent turnout.

Among the Seventh Ward's ten precincts, the turnout champion is invariably Precinct 1-C -- Bryn Mawr north of I-394 and Cedar Lake Road -- where a remarkable 89.4 percent of registered voters did their civic duty. Not only were the north Bryn Mawr folks tops in Ward 7: once again, 1-C posted the highest

HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO READERS OF THE HILL AND LAKE PRESS



Photo by Dorothy Childers

Pond Hockey on the Lagoon where energetic young men cleared the snow off the ice to play hockey on a mild Winter day.



Uptown Rotary Club members celebrated their 30th anniversary on December 19 at the Minikahda Club. Seated, from left: Dale Snyder, Kenwood resident Gaile Sovell-Kenyon, Tom Sopoci, Cedar-Isles-Dean resident Glenna Case, District 5950 Governor Irene Kelly, Nancy Hayer, and Jim Myott.

Standing, from left: Bill Blackburn, Mike Quinn, Bill Sweatt, John Campobasso, Ed Hasselman, Andrew Ramirez, Kenwood resident Granville Lawrence, Cedar-Isles-Dean resident Guy Johnson, Jon Manchester, Magdeline Aagard, and Josh Hillger. (Photo: Amy J. Sundby/eyelovephoto.com. Caption: Glenna Case.)

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turnout of all the city's 132 precincts. (Ward 11's Precinct 5 claimed second place with 88.8% turnout.)

Precinct 7 -- Bryn Mawr south of I-394 and Cedar Lake Road -- had Ward 7's second highest turnout at

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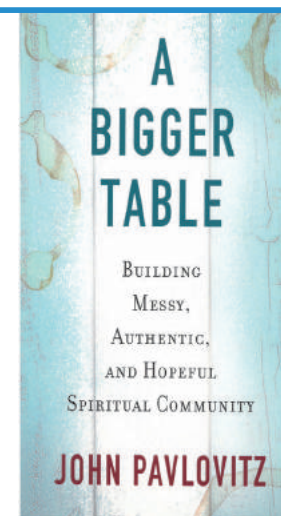
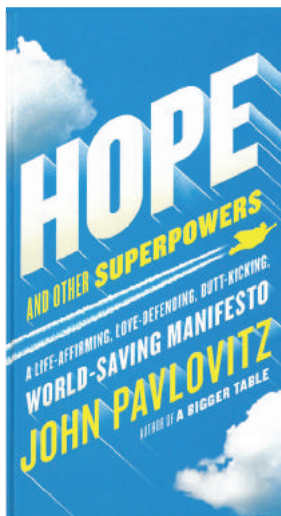
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Esteemed author and blogger John Pavlovitz preaches at Plymouth Congregational Church in Minneapolis's services 9 & 11 a.m., Sunday, Jan. 20.

On Jan. 19, at 7 p.m., he joins in conversation about his life and his books with Plymouth minister Paula Northwood, who also had an evangelical upbringing.

John Pavlovitz is a writer, pastor and activist from Wake Forest, North Carolina. In the past four years, his blog "Stuff That Needs To Be Said" has reached a diverse worldwide audience. A 20-year veteran in the trenches of local church ministry, John is committed to equality, diversity and justice—both inside and outside faith communities. johnpavlovitz.com



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Meet Your Neighbor, Beth Shogren and Green Minneapolis

Craig Wilson interviews Beth Shogren, Executive Director of Green Minneapolis, about Green Minneapolis' founding and mission, projects and future. (will likely change this later...)

Where did you grow up (attend school, etc.) and how did you decide to make the Hill Lake community your home?

I grew up outside Los Angeles and met my future husband, a Minnesotan, at college. After a few years on the east coast, he had an opportunity here, and I decided to give Minneapolis a try. I fell in love with the city, the natural environment, the culture and the people. We lived in a small apartment in Lowry Hill before moving to Uptown. These neighborhoods have it all – why would we ever leave?

What is Green Minneapolis?

Green Minneapolis is a non-profit that is transforming downtown Minneapolis through greening and public realm projects.

Our vision is to grow a green future for downtown, with tree-lined streets and active public spaces. We want to create a city that draws people in, has welcoming places for people to gather and engage with each other, and supports a bustling economy.

Why was it founded?

The vision for a vibrant and green downtown Minneapolis is one long shared by civic minded business and government leaders. It was clear to us that there was a gap between the capabilities of government and the dreams of the community, and that public-private partnership would be the tool to bridge that gap.

Modeled after successful conservancies in other cities, Green Minneapolis was created in 2015, and our work delivers in three areas - We fundraise private dollars that, when coupled with public funding, create world-class parks and public spaces; we operate, maintain and program these sorts of in-between spaces in our city, elevating the standard of care and enlivening them with free events and activities; and we are the voice of the community, urging the public sector to think differently – how to think big - about public realm improvements and the importance of incorporating more greening elements.

Why is your greening important for a city? Don't we already have the #1 park system?

I've heard Minneapolis called 'a city within a park', and our neighborhood tree canopy and park system are exemplary. We love our parks and use them all the time. Yet downtown remains gray, concrete and unwelcoming.

We know that thriving cities have successful city centers, and can see examples across the country. Our city center was not designed to be a residential neighborhood and yet the number of people moving into downtown is at 43,000 and growing. If Minneapolis is going to thrive, we need to take the connective tissue of our downtown – the streets, sidewalks and public places - and infuse it with the vibrancy of parks, trees and green space. Then we'll have a downtown that is a destination, a downtown where people want to be.

Research proves the benefits of greening - Parks and plazas connect communities, facilitating neighbors meeting neighbors and building the connections that



are crucial for social trust and public safety. Tree-lined streets make us feel comfortable, increase safety and encourage healthy living.

All of us who live in the Twin Cities have a stake in ensuring a vibrant, welcoming downtown.

What is The Commons and what was Green Minneapolis' involvement?

For our first project, Green Minneapolis raised \$14M in private funds to develop and launch The Commons, the new 4.2-acre park adjacent to U.S. Bank Stadium. Since 2017, we have operated, maintained and programmed the park, hosting over 150 free public events like fitness classes, chess tournaments, a movie series and large music performances. Independent of stadium activities, The Commons sees over 600,000 visitors from all parts of the city each year, and it's becoming as top for out-of-town visitors well. The Commons has become the heart of the new East Town neighborhood, an exciting place to connect with nature - and community.

We've partnered with the City to bring about the revitalization of this important city plaza. In its heyday, Peavey Plaza was THE go to gathering spot for down-




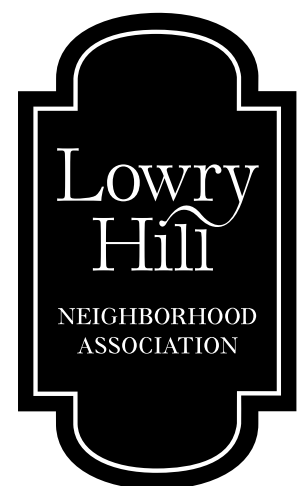
towners. The City knew the plaza had fallen into terrible disrepair but didn't have enough funding to do a complete historic renovation and bring it back to life. Green Minneapolis stepped in to fill that gap, raising \$4M in private dollars, which coupled with funds from City and State, were enough to move the project forward. Fundraising for operating support is ongoing. The revitalized Peavey Plaza will open in July 2019, and I can't wait. It will be a thrill to see those fountains running again. I think the entire city will be drawn to the space.

How did you help the Hennepin-Lyndale Crossroads effort?

This project is perhaps the best illustration of the gap that Green Minneapolis is uniquely positioned to fill. For years, the Lowry Hill and Loring Park neighborhood groups had been working with the City and MNDOT to improve that busy intersection with plantings, better pedestrian features and safety measures.

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Their advocacy and planning really got the attention of the municipalities and wonderful progress was made. But in order to continue moving forward, issues about maintenance and ongoing funding needed to be resolved. Green Minneapolis stepped in as the charitable entity to allow tax deductible contributions in support of the project. We also undertook the coordination of the planting and maintenance operations.

Those are impressive projects! What's in store for 2019 and beyond?

We have big plans - The opening of Peavey Plaza is a big milestone for us. Hennepin-Lyndale Crossroads Phase 2 planning is underway; there is a lot of work to be done there to expand the plantings northward toward the Basilica and Dunwoody intersection.

In 2019, Green Minneapolis will further our work to support the Downtown Forest. Through the Greening Lab partnership, we will plant hundreds of new street trees, and continue the supplemental watering and maintenance work required to get these young trees through the first, critical years.

We are looking forward to another great year at The Commons, increasing community adoption and activating that space with many events, starting with the Final Four in early April.

How can Hill Lake residents help Green Minneapolis' mission (include information about how to donate and that you're a 501c3)?

We'd love to engage this community in our work. Whether passionate about downtown, trees and parks, landscape design or community connections, people will find greening to be an avenue to get involved and invest in our city.

Our website is a great place to learn more, sign up for our newsletter to get project updates, learn about upcoming events and donate to our cause. www.Greenminneapolis.org

After 3 years, we are seeing the results of our work, and projects are adding up. Imagine walking from Lowry Hill, through the Sculpture Garden and beautiful Hennepin-Lyndale Crossroads, through Loring Park and up the Loring Greenway to the new Peavey Plaza. You could continue down Nicollet, stop at The Commons and end at the river. Is a shorter distance than around Lake of the Isles. We are excited to encourage everyone from the Hill and Lake neighborhoods to think about downtown as their neighborhood.

Rotary Club Uptown Rotary celebrates thirty years of service to Minneapolis and the world

By Michael Wilson

An energetic group of service-focused people from the Uptown area and nearby suburbs held their first meeting on December 16, 1988, not knowing what the future held but determined to do their part under the umbrella of Rotary International to make their community and the world a better place.

Thirty years later, almost to the day, the still-energetic Uptown Rotarians joined with families and friends on December 18 at the Minikahda Club to take note of the myriad ways they have brought life to Rotary's primary motto, "Service Above Self."

When Rotarians celebrate their good works, they do so quietly. Self-congratulation would run counter to putting service above self. "Team work makes the dream work," they like to say. And the Rotary team is

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86.0 percent. It must be something in the drinking water.

The four Hill and Lake precincts ranked third through sixth in Ward 7 turnout.

- Kenwood and Lowry Hill west of Irving Avenue (Precinct 2D): 85.7 percent, 1382 ballots.
- East Isles (Precinct 9): 84.4 percent, 2251 ballots.
- Lowry Hill east of Irving Avenue (Precinct 3): 83.5 percent, 2321 ballots.
- Cedar-Isles-Dean (Precinct 4D): 80.2 percent, 2169 ballots.

Overall, Ward 7 placed sixth among the city's 13 wards with 78 percent turnout. The southern tier of wards once again captured the three top spots: perennial top-turnout Ward 13 at 86 percent, with Wards 12 and 11 at 83 percent. Ward 8, which straddles I-35W in south-central Minneapolis, had 81 percent turnout. Ward 1, northeast Minneapolis, had 79 percent turnout. Ward 5, which lies between Ward 7 and Lowry Avenue N., had 58 percent turnout.

There's a wealth of data available for those who want to dive deeper into voting and election results. Go to vote.minneapolismn.gov and click on "Results" and "Data & Resources." For statewide results, go to electionresults.sos.state.mn.us.

And to read or listen to President Obama's moving, impassioned September 7th speech, google "Obama September 7." His words give hope that our noble experiment in self-governance will continue to endure.

numerous and far-flung: over 1.2 million members belonging to 35,000 clubs in over 200 countries and territories around the world.

Irene Kelly, the governor of District 5950, which includes 63 Rotary clubs in southern, western, and central Minnesota, had no hesitation, however, in congratulating the Uptown Rotarians for their 30 years of service. They're one of the smaller clubs in the district, she said, but they have had an outsize impact on the community. Club members have had a long and deep connection with Joyce Uptown Food Shelf, donating funds and staffing evening hours on Thursdays. Joyce Uptown is the only food shelf in town with evening hours, Kelly noted, and it happens because of Uptown Rotary.

Being of service, and having fun doing it.

Readers of Hill & Lake Press have seen stories about Uptown Rotary's service to Jefferson School through this year's Great Jefferson Read program and the partnership with Magers & Quinn to give dictionaries and thesauruses to 5th and 8th graders. Uptown Rotary's engagement with Jefferson students stretches wider still with projects such as Warm Hands, Heads, and Hearts and the Sheridan Story, which provides weekend food packages to students from food-challenged homes.

Uptown Rotarians' service horizons also extend far beyond Minnesota. Club members have partnered with Haiti Outreach for ten years, raising funds and donating volunteer labor for clean water and education projects. Several club members will travel to Haiti at the end of January to continue Uptown Rotary's close connection with the people of Haiti.

Two of Uptown Rotary's five charter members remain active in club activities: Norma Doliff and Granville Lawrence. At the December 18 event Lawrence -- Kenwood resident, Calhoun Vision Center proprietor, raconteur, and a man of boundless commitment and humor -- narrated a photo tour of the club's first thirty years. What particularly stood out was the *FUN* that club members have together while being of service -- the camaraderie, the social events, the good-natured give-and-take borne of close friendships. "In Rotary," Lawrence said, "doing a good deed does not need to be boring."

Rotary clubs throughout the world meet once a week, and Uptown Rotary's time together is Thursday mornings at 7:30 in the Lakeview Room at the Minikahda Club. Club members encourage folks interested in Rotary to stop in. You can also visit minneapolisuptownrotary.org or email club president Ed Hasselman at ed.hasselmann@gmail.com for more information.

Thank you, Uptown Rotarians, for thirty years of service!

Holiday gift for that special millennial? Try a Puzzle Room pass

By Michael Wilson

Many of us face the same quandary every December: what to give our millennial-age kids and grandkids for a holiday gift?

They've made it clear they don't want STUFF. Perhaps they live in a 450-sq.-ft. micro-apartment, or they're flying back after the holidays to wherever they live and everything'll have to fit into a backpack. Or perhaps they just prefer to live clean and lean.

The little white envelopes with a few crisp bills inside are always nice, but rather unimaginative; we did that last year, and the year before. Besides, many of our millennials are earning way more than we ever did at their age.

Here's an idea for this year: surprise your millennials with a gift voucher to a Puzzle Room.

Puzzle Rooms? Escape Rooms? What?

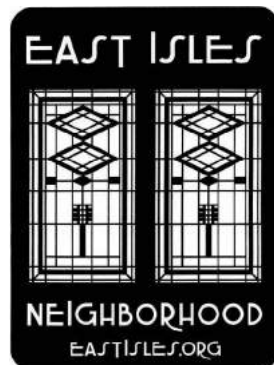
Our idea of a good time may be watching a rerun of "Holiday Inn," but for our millennials it's all about embracing highly interactive activities that let people have fun working together to solve fanciful challenges, according to Lowry Hill resident Jamie Fassett-Carman, proprietor of Trapped Puzzle Rooms at 2717 Lyndale Avenue S., 708 N. 1st Street (in the Itasca building), and

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Lake of the Isles: everyone's winter favorite for ice skating



For over one hundred years people have been removing snow from Lake of the Isles for winter activities. These ladies are pictured in 1929 in their winter skating outfits -- very fashionable but not very warm. (Photo: Minneapolis Park Board archives. Caption: Bob Glancy.)

651 Snelling Avenue S. in St. Paul.

[Disclosure: my family and the Fassett-Carman family have been friends for years. Our sons were classmates at Barton.]

Fassett-Carman opened the Uptown Trapped Puzzle Rooms in June 2015 with his mother, Karen Fassett-Carman, as business partner. Family members and friends have helped with ideas and support along the way. Fassett-Carman's cousin Tyler Mahoney has been a valued member of the creative team.

The Uptown location was the Twin Cities' second Escape Room. There are now scores of Escape Rooms all across the metro and around the state. All major cities in the U.S., Canada, and Europe have dozens of Escape Rooms, Fassett-Carman says -- hundreds in Toronto alone.

A puzzle room, Fassett-Carman explains, is a room (or a series of rooms -- three at the Lyndale Avenue location) in which a series of puzzles and clues are hidden, along with secret compartments, locked doors, and other thematic props. Teams come and work together to "solve" the room in under the time limit -- typically one hour.

"Our puzzle rooms require ingenuity, wit, a sharp eye, and teamwork," Fassett-Carman says. "You and your team work together to search for clues, solve puzzles, crack codes, and unravel the mystery before time runs out."

Put your thinking caps on!

"Escape room" is by far the more common term, but Fassett-Carman much prefers "puzzle room."

"'Escape Room' makes people think of dungeons, or the movie 'Saw', and that can turn people off of the experience before they even start," he says. "Also, our rooms are not really focused on an actual 'escape.' We keep the doors unlocked, let people leave, go to the bathroom, come back in, etc.. Instead, we focus on completing some kind of objective while in the room. In 'The Heist,' for example, people need to steal a painting. In 'A Very Potter Escape Room,' their goal is to find the Elder Wand. In 'Spies vs Spies' they need to find the mole in the spy organization. So, 'escaping' is largely irrelevant. It's the path of puzzles and clues that leads you to completing your objective that matters."

Starting to get the idea? Go to <www.trapped-puzzlerooms.com> to learn more. Go to <www.facebook.com/playtrapped/> for lots of pictures and reviews. But be warned: it looks like so much fun that we'll want to sign our baby-boomer selves up too.

Groups of at least four are recommended, at a cost of \$24 to \$39 per person. The FAQ page on the Trapped Puzzle Rooms website explains things very well. Click on "Book Now" to either sign up for a specific date, time, and place, or to purchase a "generic gift voucher" which you can print out and put in, yes, a little white envelope for present time.

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A HOLIDAY CONUNDRM – TO LOVE, OR NOT TO LOVE

By James P. Lenfestey www.coyotepoet.com

NO, I AM NOT talking about President REDACTED, our favorite Unindicted Co-conspirator about whom this holiday season offers rejoicing as we watch him slow roast in his own juices, a delicious swan song to his Presidency. Nor am I referring to Santa Claus, increasingly a harbinger of overstuffed epic commercialism. I refer instead to our steadfast backyard neighborhood turkey.

When it first arrived under the back-yard bird feeder last September, I hoped to invite it to Thanksgiving dinner on a platter (See Urban Coyote, September 2018). A simple backhand grip on the neck, a few spins over the head, and voila, dinner, plus several iridescent feather fans. As it grew larger, I thought perhaps a crossbow shot to the heart, if it had a heart (and I had a crossbow).

Turns out the heart was mine. For as the months passed and it regularly appeared outside the kitchen windows, I not only looked forward to its arrival, but felt a growing affection. That scraggly, denuded head, those scaly prehistoric feet, that shameless iridescent body strutting up and down Girard avenue, first bred contempt. But the familiarity that breeds contempt can also breed affection. Those eyes, beady and alien, became glossy and soulful. As one of those turkey eyes peered deeply at me through the back-door glass, I wondered, could it be love?

What the turkey really loves, of course, is food, and



Lowry Hill resident Jamie Fassett-Carman is the creative force behind Trapped Puzzle Rooms, along with his mother and business partner Karen Fassett-Carman. Puzzle rooms (also called escape rooms) are hugely popular with millennials. (Photo and caption: Michael Wilson.)

our backyard is an abundant splash of delicious seeds from my wife's urban complex set of bird feeders. We love three naïve birds who visit, but loathe the piggish immigrant English sparrows, mindlessly spilling everything. Our native American turkey cleans up after them.

Turns out our "wild" turkey is nothing special. Every time I proudly show off the photo on my iPhone of my personal turkey peering through the backdoor glass, neighborhood friends moan that their yards are overrun! They regale me with harrowing tales of attempts to shoo them to nearby parks or streets.

Susan went online and discovered a devil's brew of dark turkey facts, fueling her increasing resentment as my affection grows. To wit, they will peck your visiting grandchildren's eyes out of you don't kowtow to their dominance. In their pecking order, you are either pecker or a peckee. The males, jakes, the females, jills -- are rigidly hierarchical. If you make big and mean to them, they will run away. If you befriend them, they will stay and ruin your life.

Should I admit that I have fed it handfuls of seeds on occasion? I look forward to its arrival and miss him/her when absent.

Turkeys have many admirable qualities. For example, they have excellent sight and hearing. Geezer humans should be jealous. Plus, according to the National Wild Turkey Federation, they can run 35 miles per hour and take flight at nearly 55 miles per hour, though I am not sure either of these numbers applies to stolid Turkey-Lurkey.

Did I mention we have affectionately named him/her Turkey-Lurkey, from the beloved children's fable "Chicken Little." Memo to self- Do NOT give wild animals pet names.

But not all my neighbors are unhappy with Turkey-Lurkey. Ruth Bly, who shares its yard wanderings with us, says "I like that kind of trouble." And it could be worse. My friend David Astin, who lives near Theodore Wirth Park, contends with as many 60 jakes and jennys ambling down his street every morning. With that many strolling our city, can I have a friend and cook it too? To be continued....

Merry holidays.

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Hill & Lake Press readers know ICI as the sponsor of CELLOici, the three-concert summer series at Hennepin Avenue United Methodist Church featuring renowned cellists such as Astrid Schween, Mark Kasower, Silver Ainomäe, Tanya Remenikova,

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Puzzled? Call 612-225-9500 (Uptown), 612-208-0218 (North Loop), or 651-760-3495 (St. Paul) for help and advice. You may have to leave a message, but they'll get right back to you.

And if you want to impress your millennial kids and grandkids even more with how "with it" you are, ask them about other crazy-popular millennial pursuits like WhirlyBall, which combines basketball, hockey, lacrosse, and bumper-cars. Or bubble football/bubble soccer -- playing football while encased in an inflated torus, similar to a zorb, which covers the player's upper



body and head. Or footgolf/soccer golf, a precision sport in which players kick a soccer ball into a cup in as few shots as possible. **And may all your holidays be bright.**

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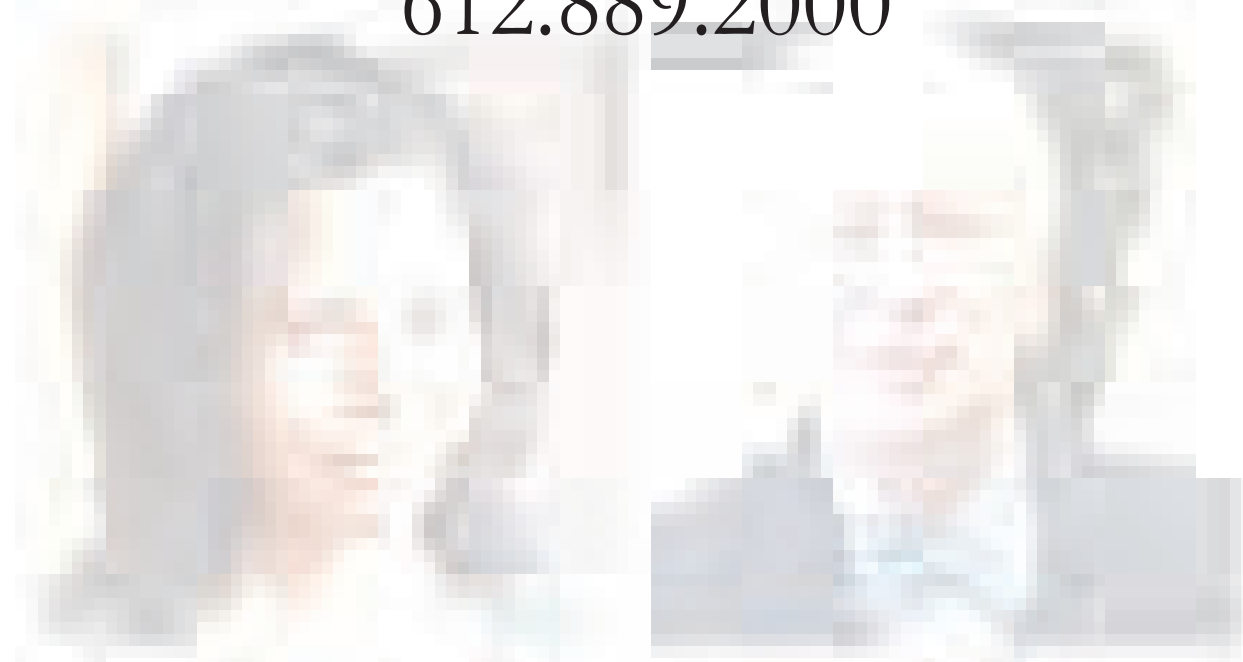
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From left: Christine and Anders Christensen, Jimmy Fogel, Council Member Lisa Goodman, Tash Casso Fogel, and Jean Deatrick.



Patrick Sadler, Ruth Weakly, and Lisa Goodman. Lisa's dog Sadie was not in the photo unfortunately, but was a joyful guest at the party. Photo by Dorothy Childers

Emmanuel Feldman, and Brannon Cho, all of whom have served as instructors and mentors at ICI's summer program at St. Olaf College in Northfield.

The three-week summer program is where the magic happens. "ICI is a unique summer program because of its highly focused and encouraging environment," says ICI co-founder Anna Clift. "Students receive a remarkable amount of time working closely with a variety of world-class faculty in lessons and masterclasses."

ICI co-founder Laura Sewell adds that there is also the opportunity for students to learn from each other as they watch their friends develop musically and personally. "In this way," Sewell says, "ICI fosters a 'cellistic' learning community that is paramount."

The January 4th concert and reception will not only celebrate ICI's ten years but also will raise funds for

scholarships for future generations of ICI participants. Tickets for the event are \$25 -- students attend free -- and can be purchased at the door or online at <internationalcelloinstitute.com> under "Events." Donations above the cost of the ticket are fully tax-deductible.

Janet Horvath, the Minnesota Orchestra's associate principal cello from 1980 to 2012, writes, "From the first time I heard a cello, I have loved this instrument whose lush golden sounds are the closest to the human voice." As a student, she says, "The alluring tones beckoned. I craved to learn the secrets behind the cello's fantastic range of expression -- the deep lamenting baritone, the silken tenor, the dazzling soprano."

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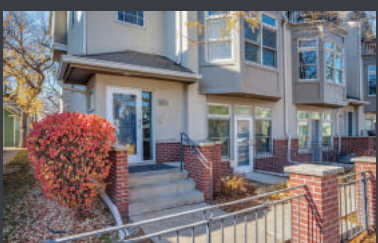
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Kenwood Neighborhood Organization

By Amy Noble

December 2018 Kenwood Neighborhood Organization (KNO) Meeting Minutes

KNO Board met December 3, 2018, at the Kenwood Recreation Center.

Vice-Chair Jeanette Colby called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM.

Directors present: Vice-Chair Jeanette Colby, Secretary Amy Noble, Treasurer Matt Spies, and Will Stensrud; Also present: Lisa Goodman (CM), Amanda Vallone, and two neighbors. Absent: Chair Shawn Smith, Kyle Leier, Carl Goldstein, Mark Brown, Jack Levi, Angie Erdrich, Evelyn Turner, and Jeremy Nichols

City Council Update –CM Lisa Goodman

Later with Lisa will be on December 10th, 4:30 – 7:30 at the Normandy Inn in downtown Minneapolis; there will be a coat collection for the Central Lutheran's Coat Closet – needed are men's coats and clothes (suits, overcoats, nicer men's clothing preferred)

The City of Minneapolis approved the expansion for the remodel at 2030/2032 Sheridan Avenue; the request to build a garage at 2512 21st St W is pending

The City Council will vote on Minneapolis 2040 on December 7th; in response to KNO's letter to the City Council which outlined neighborhood concerns, some changes to the designations within the neighborhood have been recommended for the final plan:

Franklin and W 21st Street designation will change from interior 3 to interior 2

The parkland along the Kenilworth trail will retain the designation of "parkland" per the Memorandum of Understanding

Lake of the Isles designation change will change

from interior 2 to interior 1

Larger lot sizes (40' or larger) cannot be combined
Minneapolis City Budget and Levy: a public hearing will be held prior to the final vote of adoption of the budget on December 5th

SWLRT – groundbreaking took place on November 30th; the Met Council and Hennepin County is now in charge of the construction and schedule; CM Goodman recommended asking KNO's representative on the Hennepin County board (Marion Greene) to ensure effective communication with the neighborhood.

Name Change Update – Amanda Vallone for Shawn Smith

Shawn submitted a name change request to the Secretary of State to revise articles of incorporation; next step will be to file federal correction. Goal will be to have this completed by the end of the year. City has advised that it is okay to use the new name (KNO) during this process.

Treasury Report – Matt Spies

Treasurer provided an updated report on budget to include expenses and income. More detailed information is available upon request.

East Cedar Lake Beach Update – Will Stensrud

Committee met on November 29th and outlined events for next season and discussed new ideas such as performances and music. Committee will meet again in January or February 2019 to set and review budget, to include a review of park police expenditures, and will present the proposed budget at the March 2019 board meeting.

Other Business

Skating Party, January 20, 2019, Angie Erdrich will coordinate KNO donation of cookies for the event

Proposal: A Year of Gratitude: KNO Your Neighbors; Amanda Vallone has volunteered to coordinate for future newsletters, will send an email out to all board members for input

The meeting was adjourned by Vice-Chair Jeanette Colby at 8:00 PM.

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 kenwoodminneapolis.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 January 7th, 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. 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 kenwoodminneapolis.org

East Isles Residents' Association

Respectfully Submitted by: Debbie Gold, Secretary, EIRA Board of Directors

Minutes from the EIRA BOARD OF DIRECTORS (BOD) Meeting

Tuesday, November 13, 2018 Grace Trinity Community Church

Board members present: Brad Ash (President), Mike Erlandson (Vice-President), Amy Sanborn (Treasurer), Debbie Gold (Secretary), John Grochala, John Morrow, Steve Havig, Ellen van Iwaarden, Peter Mason

Board members absent: Julia Curran and Joe Gibbons

Guests: Council member, Lisa Goodman

Welcome & Call to Order: Brad Ash, EIRA President 7:05 p.m.

Guest Speaker, Council Member Lisa Goodman, City of Minneapolis. Lisa updated residents on a number of things including the near completion of leaf removal/street sweeping. There will be no more Lunch with Lisa meetings for the rest of the year but "Later with Lisa" will be held on December 10th from 4:30-7:30 P.M. at 405 South 8th Street. This is a free event with food. Lisa is collecting the 3 most valuable items for the homeless: men's winter coats in good condition, gloves and backpacks. She invites everyone to bring a coat and stay for a drink. For more information on this event, contact Lisa's office. The City Council will hold the last public hearing on the 2040 comprehensive plan revised draft on November 14th and the plan will be voted on at the December 7th meeting. The City Council will also take public comments on the proposed budget on November 28th, with a final vote December 5th.

President's Report

Board members are continuing their search for an administrative assistant. Five candidates will be interviewed in the coming weeks.

EIRA was awarded a green business partnership award from the Minneapolis Public Health, Environment, Civil Rights and Engagement for our help facilitating Osman Cleaners PERC removal. The plaque will be hung at Isles Bun and Coffee.

Brad will work with Ellen to compose and mail a

December fundraising letter.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer, Amy Sanborn, reported that the wine tasting event was a success and EIRA has received close to \$3200 for their participation.

Committee Reports

NRP

First ½ of lake clean-up project and buckthorn removal on east side of lake to 22nd street currently scheduled to begin the week after Thanksgiving. Tree Trust will do the work.

Zoning and Land Use N/A

Outreach and Nominations N/A

Transportation Committee N/A

Social

Ice Skating Party

Planning is underway for the annual Ice Skating Party to be held on January 20th, 2019 from 1-3 P.M.

We will take out our usual ad in Hill and Lake Press to thank volunteers for their help this past year.

East Isles Farmers Market

Debbie Gold, Director, met with MPRB to kick off plans for the summer of 2019. A permit has been filed for Thursdays beginning June 13th, 2019 and continuing through September 12th, 2019 with two pop-up dates planned for Wednesday July 3rd and July 31st. Gold has spoken to Maude Lovell at the Uptown Association regarding the rental of their rigging for a banner across Hennepin and Lake Street during spring of 2019 to help increase awareness and traffic. She is awaiting a response.

It was decided that the market will be moved down one block to Humboldt and Irving for greater visibility from the Greenway and to parking impact on residents. The market is seeking food and food-related vendors only. Vendor applications open on December 1st, 2018. For more information and to keep updated on the market, visit: <http://www.eastislesfarmersmarket.com> and sign up for our email.

Action Items

The trail gap connection proposal from the Midtown Greenway at Humboldt Ave S to Hennepin Avenue was discussed. The connection would provide more accessibility from the Greenway to Hennepin Avenue with the Park Board seeking to use Park Dedication Fees to add enhancements such as drinking fountains, trail maps and more. No action was taken and Peter Mason volunteered to seek further information on this project. Peter is also following up on plans to add additional shade to Joanne Levin Park.

EIRA is in search of a new administrator. If you know of anyone interested in the position, please contact Brad Ash or info@eastisles.org

Adjourn

Brad Ash adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

The next EIRA meeting will be at 7 pm on Tuesday, December 11, 2018 @ Grace Trinity Community Church, 1430 W 28th St. The EIRA invites and encourages participation by all residents to every program, service and event organized by EIRA. Should you require an accommodation to fully participate, or if you require this document in a different format, please let us know by contacting us at info@eastisles.org at least five (5) days before an EIRA sponsored event.

East Isles Residents' Association (EIRA) Respectfully submitted by: Molly Fleming - EIRA Administrator

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East Isles Residents' Association

John Morrow, Steve Havig, Ellen van Iwaarden, Julia Curran, Peter Mason

Staff: Molly Fleming

Guests: Council member, Lisa Goodman, Resident and Zoning chair, Andrew Degerstrom

Welcome & Call to Order: Brad Ash, EIRA President 7:02 p.m.

Guest Speaker, Council Member Lisa Goodman, City of Minneapolis

Lisa updated residents on her most recent "Later with Lisa" event that was held on December 10th. The event collected many coats, gloves and backpacks for the homeless population of Minneapolis. She gave an update about the City Council's passing of the 2040 comprehensive plan for which she voted YES. Her office instituted more than 20 amendments to the original plan at the behest of the community. She also reported that she voted NO on the city's most recent budget plan, on the grounds that it cut too much from the police budget. The next Lunch with Lisa will be held on January 30.

President's Report

Brad Ash, President, reported that Colleen O'Dell will attend the January meeting to give a report on the SW Master Plan.

Treasurer's Report

Amy Sanborn, Treasurer, reported that we are changing our MasterCard from a secured card to an unsecured card with a credit increase to accommodate more expenses and allow for easier record keeping.

Committee Reports

NRP

Mike Erlandson, Chair, reported that the Lake project is halfway done, with the upper portion completed. The removed buckthorn still needs stump treatment before it is officially finished. The NRP committee will be meeting in the new year, with public safety being a topic that will be discussed at the next meeting.

Zoning and Land Use N/A

Outreach and Nominations

Brad Ash, President, reported that the winter fundraising mailer was sent to the printer this week and should be in mailboxes soon. Hopefully this will prove to be a worthwhile development effort. Amy Sanborn brought up soliciting new board members in advance of the annual meeting and we will send around a dedicated email and social media posts this winter.

Transportation Committee N/A

Social Committee

Amy Sanborn reported that planning is underway for the annual Ice Skating Party scheduled for January 20th, 2019, from 1-3 p.m. The event will be promoted on the EIRA website, in Hill and Lake Press and on social media.

Farmers Market

Debbie Gold, Director, shared some metrics provided by the University of Minnesota Farmers Market Metrics Project specific to East Isles. More than 77% of East Isles Farmers Market attendees biked or walked to the market. 62% of market attendees spent between \$1-\$100 at neighborhood businesses before or after visiting the market. Stay in touch with farmers market updates. Sign up for emails at: <http://www.eastisles-farmersmarket.com>

Vendor applications are now open for the 2019 season.

Action Items

EIRA hired and welcomed a new Administrator, Molly Fleming. Molly can be reached at: info@eastisles.org.

The board discussed plans to renew EIRA's membership in the Uptown Association. The Farmers Market may pursue a separate membership. Discussion took place regarding becoming more involved with the Uptown Association moving forward.

Open Forum

Peter Mason shared that discussions with MPRB Commissioner Jono Cowgill took place and that Cowgill indicated funding had likely been secured for a

Cedar Isles Dean Neighborhood Association

By Monica Smith



CIDNA BOARD MEETING MINUTES, December 12, 2018

The meeting was held at Jones-Harrison Residence. Board members in attendance: Chair Mary Pattock, Secretary Rosanne Halloran, Stacia Goodman, Mary Harlow, Barbara Lunde, James Reid, and Vern Vander Weide

Coordinator: Monica Smith

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

Announcements

Vern Vander Weide will serve as the board's Parliamentarian and Taylor Pentelovitch will be the timekeeper.

City Council Member Lisa Goodman, Ward 7

Lunch with Lisa is Wednesday, January 30, Noon at the University of St. Thomas, and will feature a panel of developers.

Minneapolis 2040 was approved by the City Council. CM Goodman was successful in making modifications to the plan in the CIDNA neighborhood and adding language for protection to lakes and waterways. She said it will take 2-3 years for the City to change the zoning code to match the plan. Current zoning applies until the codes are revised.

Coordinator's Report, Monica Smith

There are four openings on the CIDNA Board. Contact info@cidna.org for information about joining the board. Recent board resignations: Linda Close, Rich Heichert, Julia Hazen, and Jan Nielsen.

Jessica Kawas is the new Crime Prevention Specialist at the 5th Precinct.

The Community Connections Conference is Saturday, February 2.

Metro Transit is planning to improve transit service with the E Line rapid bus project on Hennepin Ave in downtown and Uptown. They are seeking individuals to serve on a Community Advisory Committee (application deadline is December 20). For more information and to give feedback via a survey, go to metrotransit.org/e-line-project.

Neighborhood and Community Relations (NCR) has published a new policy for grievances filed against

shade structure for Triangle Park in 2019. Community input will be solicited before any official steps are made.

Ellen van Iwaarden put forward that she is working on changing EIRA's 501c4 status to a 501c3 status.

President, Brad Ash adjourned the meeting at 8:08 p.m.

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neighborhood organizations.

The annual Ice Skating Party is Sunday, January 20, 1:00-3:00 p.m. at Lake of the Isles.

Southwest Service Area Master Plan: The Park Board held meetings in November to share initial concepts for SW Minneapolis parks. The concepts will be revised and two designs for each park will be presented at workshops and via an online survey in January. There will be a couple of months for feedback on the initial concepts with the goal of selecting one preferred concept for each park by late spring 2019. Park Board planners will attend the January or February CIDNA Board meeting.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report for the first six months of the fiscal year was presented.

The board approved the annual report to be sent to the MN Attorney General.

Fall Festival Recap

Fall Festival expenses were \$2,399.

Wine Tasting Recap

CIDNA's total revenue from the Wine Tasting Fundraiser was \$3,237.

NRP/CPP Report, Claire Ruebeck and Monica Smith

The CIDNA Board approved a motion to extend the current affordable housing loan to Propel for one additional year.

Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Funds: In November, the CIDNA Board electronically approved a letter to the City supporting the use of some of the additional revenue from the Consolidated TIF to go to affordable housing and asking that some of the other funds be redirected to provide a bridge solution to extend the funding for neighborhood organizations until new revenue can be identified in the City's budget. This request was denied.

The CIDNA Board approved a draft of a letter to be sent to the Park Board asking them to extend the season for the restroom at Cedar Lake South Beach to match that of the Refectory at Bde Maka Ska.

Concerns remain about the safety of people using the informal benches as stairs at Cedar Lake South Beach. The Board reconsidered its decision from the September 2018 board meeting to accept the Park Board's recommendation that changes are not necessary. Vern Vander Weide will draft a letter for the board to review at the January meeting.

CIDNA received the amendment to add \$25,900 to the Community Participation Program (CPP) contract.

The next committee meeting will be Tuesday, January 22, 3:00 p.m. at Rustica.

SWLRT Committee

Mike Wilson has resigned from the committee.

The Metropolitan Council is moving into construc-

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"Minneapolis needs to reduce car trips by 37% by 2040"

Madeleine Lowry makes the above assertion in the November 16, 2018 edition of Hill and Lake Press (p. 11). I beg to differ. That oft-quoted statistic is probably the source of much of the hostility towards cars in Minneapolis and illustrates that the framing of a question often determines how the question is answered. I offer our experience as an alternative. We drive a Ford C-Max energy; it runs on electricity for the first 20+ miles. We use it for most of our trips around town, and this means we buy gas for it about once per year. We've gone as much as 14 months between fills.

Instead of focusing on reducing car trips, we could focus on making the city more friendly to zero-emission vehicles like free charging stations and reduced/free parking downtown.

Rolf and Chris Bolstad <rcbolstad@yahoo.com>



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tion of the SWLRT project after receiving a Letter of No Prejudice (LONP) from the Federal Transit Administration in November, which makes early construction work on the project eligible for federal reimbursement upon award of the Full Funding Grant Agreement, anticipated in 2019.

The Lake and Parks Alliance lawsuit remains active in the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals..

Barbara Lunde reminded all to continue communicating with the federal government about SWLRT.

Land Use Committee

A variance request has been filed for a pizza oven that was built within a side yard setback at 2785 Dean Pkwy. The request is expected to be considered by the Board of Adjustment on January 10.

A new single-family home is being built on the vacant lot at 2936 Chowen Ave S.

Vision Committee, Mary Pattock

Mission and vision statements were proposed. The committee will consider suggested edits and bring back to the board at the January meeting.

Neighborhoods 2020

Neighborhoods 2020 is a process to determine the future of neighborhood organizations when the designated funding source expires at the end of 2020. There are three work groups that are focusing on the following areas: Program Guidelines and Funding; Governance; and Citywide Community Engagement. The proposals from the three workgroups are currently being revised and will be published on January 14 for a 45-day comment period.

The City Council included \$4 million/per year for neighborhood funding in the 5-year financial direction (this is not a funding decision at this time) and added language to Minneapolis 2040 about maintaining neighborhood organizations.

Minneapolis 2040, Claire Ruebeck and Mary Pattock

The original draft of Minneapolis 2040 was released in March 2018. The public comment period closed on July 22, 2018. CIDNA submitted formal comments in that process. The revised draft of the plan was released on September 28. CIDNA did not submit a formal response to the revised draft but remained engaged with the process. On December 7, the City Council voted to advance the plan for submission to the Metropolitan Council for review/approval. The new comp plan will not become law until it is approved by Met Council and formally adopted by the City Council, which is expected to be in the spring of 2019.

Continued engagement is required as the zoning code is amended to align with Minneapolis 2040.

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Lowry Hill Neighborhood Association

Board Meeting Minutes, November 13, 2019

Kenwood Recreation Center

Board Members Present: Michael Cockson, Fran Davis, Kathleen Bottini, Bob Hinck, Lee Switzenberg, Krishna Dorney, Jennifer Breitinger, Clint Conner, Justin Baylor

Others: Lisa Goodman (Minneapolis City Council), Brendan Kelly (KRSM radio), Jeanne Scheiderer (Friends Thomas Lowry Park), Suzanne Payne (Friends Thomas Lowry Park), Denise Sykora, Carlos Fernandez (aune Fernandez landscape architects).

Call to order: 7:05 pm

Motion to approve October 2 minutes made and seconded. Motion Approved.

Treasurer's report:

Migratory Birds, have sued the City of Minneapolis, claiming that Minneapolis 2040 will likely impair the environment, which is prohibited under the Minnesota Environmental Rights Act.

CIDNA Coordinator Contract

The board approved the terms of Monica Smith's contract for 2019.

CIDNA Board

Mary Pattock was elected as CIDNA Board Chair.

The CIDNA Board appointed Evan Carlson to one of the open seats on the board.

Contact info@cidna.org for information about joining the board.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Next meeting

The next meeting is Wednesday, January 9, 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.

Toni was unable to attend, but she emailed her report to the Board. We have a balance of \$21,500.73 which includes \$1,935 for Sarah Janacek fund and \$1,100 for Bryant-Franklin donations.

Environmental Committee: Nothing to report.

Zoning and Planning:

The city is still insisting on no access to the Peris project from Hennepin. This may now be moot since the city has failed to grant the Peris project the tax credit that Peris needs for the project to proceed.

Crime and Safety:

Several incidents of package theft have been reported in the neighborhood. Lee Switzenberg mentioned that there has been turnover in the police liaison position. Hopefully we will meet the new liaison at one of upcoming meetings.

Events:

East Isles skating party is scheduled for Jan. 20.

Tom Huppert has offered to obtain pies and ice cream and distribute them to local police and fire stations as a thank you from LHNA at Thanksgiving. Motion made, seconded and passed to authorize Tom to spend up to \$200.

Community Update:

City Councilmember Lisa Goodman provided an update. She confirmed that Jim Graves has met with the city and was unable to obtain the affordable housing tax credits necessary to move forward with his plan. Also, Travail will be adding a "pop-up" restaurant in the Bradstreet Craffhouse space.

Lunch with Lisa meetings are finished for the year, but Lisa will be hosting a gathering December 10 called Later with Lisa from 4:30 to 7:30. She will be sending

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LHNA continued

emails as the date approaches. Lisa will be asking for donations of back packs and men's coats that will be distributed to those in need through Central Lutheran's Restoration Center.

Public Hearings are continuing concerning the 2040 Plan. A final vote is expected December 7.

There has been discussion about the possibility of the city plowing public sidewalks with the new budget. Lisa explained this is highly unlikely due to the large cost this would entail.

Neighborhood Priorities:

This is the time of year we make the annual donation to the Hill and Lake Press. Bob Hinck suggested we increase the amount from last year's donation of \$1000 to \$1500. Motion made by Fran and seconded by Jennifer. Motion passed.

Thomas Lowry Park:

Carlos Fernandez of aune fernandez landscape architects presented the conditions assessment preliminary findings and recommendations for the park with emphasis on the seven pools. In attendance we also had Suzanne Payne and Jeanne Scheiderer representing Friends of Thomas Lowry Park. A copy of the report was distributed in advance to board members.

In addition to the seven pools renovation the pavers and arbor need repair. The loose pavers represent a tripling hazard and should be addressed quickly. Carlos presented three options for repair from surface repair to total restoration. His cost estimate is based on a middle option that identifies the areas in need of repair and corrects them down to the foundation. Preliminary Planning budget for the total project is \$366,000 to \$406,000. In addition, the plumbing run replacement, if

needed, would cost \$55,000. Carlos was asked to return to our next meeting and provide more detail as well as estimates for paver repair.

Carlos told us he thinks the best way to proceed with the project is with a Design-Build firm.

A discussion followed concerning funding. It is not clear exactly what funds are available from NRP. Although there are substantial funds available from NRP we need to review other potential projects and prioritize before committing the funds to the Park. In all likelihood the funding for the park restoration will have to be funded by a combination NRP funds, park board and fund raisers by LHNA and Friends of Thomas Lowry Park. We will discuss funding options at our next meeting.

A draft memo of understanding (MOU) was circulated which describes the facts surrounding the restoration of the seven pools. It is intended to be signed by Friends of Thomas Lowry Park, Lowry Hill Neighborhood Association, Thomas Lowry Park Committee (yet to be created) and the Minneapolis Park and Rec. Board. Michael Cockson is going to discuss the necessity of the MOU with Michael Schrader of the city of Minneapolis.

Historical:

Krishna brought a copy of an article describing Thomas Lowry Park that dates back to the days the pools were first built.


Krishna described what a Conservation District entails. There was some discussion concerning whether or not we need to create a Conservation District in the areas to mitigate the perceived negative impact of the 2040 Plan.

New Business:

Brendan Kelly, KRSM station manager, described

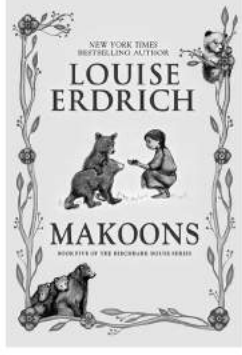
the hyper-local radio station. He made a proposal requesting funding in the amount of \$3000 per year for three years to support the station. As part of the agreement the station would produce a list of announcements for Lowry Hill every other week which would be played daily. A description of the station and the proposal were included in the materials distributed to the board prior to the meeting. KRSM (98.9 FM) is a low power station covering most of southern Minneapolis including most of Lowry Hill. In a recent fund raiser 14% of the contributions came from Lowry Hill residents. There were 250 total contributors.

We will take the proposal up for consideration at the next board meeting. Meeting adjourned at 9:16 PM.



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