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WATCH JOINS HANDS WITH THE ADVOCATES

By James P. Lenfestey

It was a beautiful mid-September day at the home of Ambassador Sam and Sylvia Kaplan, when the Women’s Program of The Advocates for Human Rights held its annual fall house party and presented Susan Lenfestey, founder of WATCH, with the Gold WATCH award.

WATCH recently became a project of The Advocates, enhancing the reach and effectiveness of both organizations.

I was in attendance, a trailing spouse among several hundred guests, bursting my buttons with pride over the work done by both these important organizations.

WATCH was founded 28 years ago by my wife Susan to push the legal system to take more seriously cases of rape and domestic abuse at a time when women were often seen as being responsible for whatever violent assault they had endured. She was inspired by a tough series of stories in the StarTribune, “Free to Rape,” about lenient sentencing of offenders in crimes against women, and by the despicable treatment of Anita Hill during her testimony during the confirmation of Clarence Thomas.

WATCH was an acronym for Women At The Court House, a name thought up by our then teenaged son Max, although later shortened to simply WATCH. The organization lifted off, thanks to great support and leadership from friends, many of whom lived in HLP land and had long been involved with Susan in the public schools, politics and this newspaper.

WATCH’s careful system of trained monitors, sporting easily-seen red clipboards in the courtroom, was effective because the emphasis was on looking for patterns of behavior in the system that were harmful to women, not on highlighting the occasional misstep. State laws have become much more fair and rigorous in prosecuting sex crimes, including sex trafficking, and in protecting vulnerable partners in domestic abuse cases, thanks to prodding by WATCH.

The remarkable Advocates for Human Rights was founded 36 years ago by a group Minnesota attorneys who “recognized Minnesota’s unique spirit of social justice as opportunity to promote and protect human rights worldwide.” HLP resident David Weissbrodt, recently retired Regents professor of law at the University of Minnesota, and officer and long-time board member of the Advocates, helped it launch its



Susan Lenfestey, right, with Rosalyn Park, Director of the Women’s Human Rights program of The Advocates for Human Rights, celebrating WATCH joining The Advocates, June 20, 2019.

legal services in countries such as Liberia, Bulgaria, Republic of Congo, Poland, Nepal, Uganda, Peru, Sierra Leone and the US. In 2003 the Advocates gave David its annual Human Rights Award.

In our age of rising global tyranny, Advocates lawyers and WATCH court monitors on the side of oppressed citizens are needed more than ever. The Advocates is the perfect organization to spread the WATCH model of court fairness around the world. Many WATCH volunteers have continued to monitor in Hennepin, Ramsey and Washington counties under the auspices of The Advocates. Learn more about becoming a courtroom monitor at <http://www.theadvocatesforhumanrights.org/watch>

The people of our tiny neighborhood in our smallish northern, isolated city, swing in the big leagues not only of Fortune 500 companies, sports, education and the arts, but in making sure human rights are honored and court proceedings fair to all. It was an honor to be in the room as these organizations celebrated their future together at the forefront of the human rights movement. Donations accepted. <http://www.theadvocatesforhumanrights.org>



Attendees enjoy wine and appetizers at annual wine tasting fundraiser.

Photo by Scott Melamed



Photo by Dorothy Childers

Wine tasting event concluded on page nine

Where we are now,

By Jean Deatrck, Editor

As readers know, in the September Hill and Lake Press, I reported that we were not doing well financially. It has become more difficult to pay our bills. We have wonderful writers and volunteers, but they aren’t paid. Hill and Lake Press is fortunate to have many contributors. Although ad rates were raised last winter and I have kept the paper to 12 pages, we are not doing well. Advertising continues to be down, but we are blessed with many who advertise each month and I am grateful for their fine ads. I am sure we all know that newspapers are going under all over the United States, and probably elsewhere. I read that there are 2,000 fewer newspapers than just a few years ago.

Hill and Lake Press focuses on events and issues in our four neighborhoods: Cedar Isles Dean, East Isles, Kenwood, and Lowry Hill and I believe that is what we should continue to do. Traffic, light rail, development, and Thomas Lowry Park are some of the ongoing issues that residents need to know about.

Several people responded to my plea for contributions and I believe they deserve front page recognition. Along with the contributions, I received many touching notes of support. This is a start, but we need more. If you want Hill and Lake Press to continue, please consider supporting our newspaper.

The following people generously sent checks in October.

Jean and Guy Johnson
Elizabeth and Stephen Shaffer
Greg Wong
Beth and Kevin Dooley
Kathy and Dave Hyduke
Susan and Jim Lenfestey
Christyann Ranck
Janis Clay

Thank you generous neighbors!!!

Hennepin and Lake Community Wine Tasting Fundraiser

By Rosanne Halloran

34th Annual Uptown Neighborhood Event

On October 10, over 400 people came to St. Mary’s Greek Orthodox Church to enjoy the 34th annual Hennepin and Lake Community Wine Tasting Fundraiser. All proceeds benefit six Uptown area non-

Lunch with Lisa

This month features Deputy Police Chief Kathy Waite who will share with us about staffing, budget, training, and other police related matters.

Wednesday, October 30 12:00 - 1:00.

University of St. Thomas: Terrence Murphy Hall, Room 252.

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

Please RSVP by Oct. 23 to judy.sherin@minneapolismn.gov or call 612-673-2207.

Following an exuberant celebration of the Birchbark Books Reading Series' 10th anniversary last month, we now continue with our next readings. On November 6 we present Philip S. Bryant, Sharon Chmielarz, Brian Baumgart, and Mary Moore Easter (see their bios and photos below). The reading will be at The Bockley Gallery, 2123 W 21st Street, Minneapolis, just a couple doors down from the bookstore.

HAPPENINGS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD
Neighborhood monthly meetings
CIDNA: 2nd Wednesday 6pm Jones-Harrison
EIRA: 2nd Tuesday 7pm Grace Community Church
KIAA: 1st Monday 7pm Kenwood Rec Center
LHNA: 1st Tuesday, 7pm Kenwood Rec Center

The Understory in Downtown Kenwood



Photo by Dorothy Childers

Check out The Understory, an expansion of Birchbark Books and Native Arts, located in Kenwood.



NOVEMBER PUBLIC EVENTS AT THE WOMAN'S CLUB OF MINNEAPOLIS

A Conversation with Figure Skating Champion Surya Bonaly - Saturday, November 2 @ 11:30 am
Jazz in the Lounge - Wednesday, November 6 @ 6:00 pm
Breakfast Networking - Thursday, November 14 @ 7:30 am
Thanksgiving Brunch - Thursday, November 28 @ 10:30 am & 1:00 pm
Sunday Brunch - Every Sunday @ 10:30 am

For more information about these events, please contact the Club Front Desk (frontdesk@womansclub.org • 612-813-5300) or visit our website (www.womansclub.org/about-us/public-events)

The Woman's Club of Minneapolis
410 Oak Grove St
Minneapolis, MN 55403

Over 8,000 Participated in the 38th Annual Twin Cities Marathon



Photo by Dorothy Childers

Following a rainy week, dry weather greeted runners for the Medtronic Twin Cities Marathon, known as the most beautiful urban marathon in America. The 26.2 mile course started in downtown Minneapolis and ended at MLK Boulevard, near the Minnesota State Capital, in St. Paul. Dan Zirbes, of Minneapolis, carrying the American Flag is shown crossing the bridge on the West side of Lake of the Isles near the four-mile marker.



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East Isles Farmers Market Mission + Objectives

By Debbie Gold



“NEWEST MEMBER OF THE SEVEN POOLS CENTURY CLUB”

by Tom Trondson

The Friends of Thomas Lowry Park would like to introduce our newest Seven Pools Century Club member—Dave Kasper of Spring, Texas.

Dave grew up on the 1700 block of Logan Avenue South in Kenwood. His father, Dr. Robert Kasper, was a radiologist downtown. Dave remembers Thomas Lowry Park fondly. “Growing up, the Seven Pools were like a magical, mystical place for me. My mom took my sister Ann and me here beginning when I was three-years-old. Really, some of my earliest memories were of the Seven Pools and the seven falls.”

Dave first heard about the “Save the Seven Pools” Campaign when visiting Minneapolis to attend the Blake/Northop high school reunion this summer. “I noticed the ‘Save the Pools’ signs in the neighborhood yards. Then my good friend Anne Clark filled me in about the capital campaign.”

In 1922, the residents of what was then called Douglas Triangle petitioned the Minneapolis Park Commission to acquire the land for use as a park to put a stop to a thirteen-story apartment building by developer John Friedman. The city denied Friedman’s request and a plan for a park commenced. A century later Lowry Hill and its neighboring residents are again coming together as a community to restore the pools to their former glory so that generations to come can enjoy the park’s unique spirit and sounds.

As Friends of Thomas Park Board President Elizabeth Shaffer says: “I’m sure the Lowry Hill residents who sacrificed to pay for TLP’s development one hundred years ago would be proud of our efforts to support this legacy project today. We are thankful for all of our donors that have gotten us to \$180,000...but we still have \$70,000 left.”

Dave Kasper wanted to do his part. “My donation is in my mother’s honor. Rita Kasper not only loved Thomas Lowry Park, she was very involved in the arts. In the 70s she was a Minneapolis Institute of Art trustee. I would like to see others give to the capital campaign. Thomas Lowry Park is unique in its design, its serenity. It made me happy as a child, and it brings solace to me as an adult.”

As Seven Pools Century Club members (gifts of \$10,000 or more), Dave Kasper and his wife Kathy will be recognized permanently in Thomas Lowry Park with their names featured on a boulder at the headwaters of Seven Pools. All donors are recognized on the Friends of Thomas Lowry website and in upcoming Hill & Lake Press editions.

Dave left Minnesota to attend graduate school at Stanford. His geology work has taken him all over the world, including longer stints in Scotland and Canada. But Minneapolis has a special place in Dave’s heart. He makes a point to come here every summer, to visit old friends, and spend time in his favorite park.

Donations can be made online at thomaslowry-park.org or via check mailed to Friends of Thomas Lowry Park, % E. Shaffer, 1776 Colfax Ave S, Minneapolis, MN 55403. All donations are tax-deductible.

The East Isles Farmers Market is the brainchild of the East Isles Residents Association and was established as a means to further our mission of building community, promoting green spaces, and fostering neighbor relations. The Market hopes to inspire a healthy community by bringing local, sustainable, and mostly organic or pesticide-free produce to our high-density neighborhood. It will be accessible by bike, foot, or skate board.

We Love Local

We contribute to the success of local food growers, bakers, and makers by supporting local entrepreneurs and artisans.

We strive to include women and minority-owned businesses to further an equitable marketplace. More than half of our vendors are women-owned businesses. We vet the quality of sourcing, production and growing practices of our vendors.

We provide educational opportunities related to food, rain gardens, sustainability and zero waste.

We promote the Minnesota Cottage Food Law by encouraging residents and neighbors to participate in our Pickle Booth.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE 2019 SEASON

12 markets were held out of 14 dates.

The market supported 42 rotating local food vendors and small business owners with an average of 15 vendors attending each market.

12 rotating food trucks, all Minnesota owned.

22 vendors (+50%) were minority business owners.

A total of 178 vendors attended all markets, including food trucks.

7 Special Events hosted
Total Attendance = 8,550+ East Isles friends and neighbors

High = 1,082 on 8/8 Dog Day

Low = 436 on 6/20 closed 1.5 hours early due to rain
Average attendance per market = 713

Outreach: An increase of +3,156 attendees for 2019 from previous year

5,394 previous year (2018) attendance

90%+ attendees arrived by bike or on foot.

10 Neighborhood business sponsors

2019 Net Profit = \$17,078 as of 10/14/19

11 Community Organizations + Educators

Represented

Neighborhood businesses Sponsors 2019

Lakes Area Realty

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Joe Gibbons and John Cullen

YWCA

Bader Development

UPS Store Uptown

Lake and Irving restaurant

Special Events Hosted by EIFM

2 Renter Appreciation Days

2 Goat Yoga Days

1 Beer Garden/Picnic in the Park

1 Dog Day of Summer (including free hot dogs)

1 Vendor Appreciation

Farmers Market wrap up concludes on page 5

The Interfaith Amigos at Plymouth Church

“Religions historically have been functioning independently and at some level, it doesn’t make sense to the human mind,” says pastor Don Mackenzie. He is, along with Rabbi Ted Falcon and Imam Jamal Rahman, are the Interfaith Amigos, who will appear Saturday, Nov. 2, at 7 p.m., at Plymouth Congregational Church in Minneapolis.

The Interfaith Amigos bring a message of deep hope and profound possibilities for healing both person and planet in their unique humorous style. Here they “channel the Three Stooges” in a video of one of their appearances. More seriously, they say: “The individual paths need to be honored as particular approaches to the Universal: Oneness transcends all paths.” If they can help their audience penetrate barriers that have traditionally separated Christianity, Judaism and Islam, Mackenzie says, members of these religious groups can cooperate in tackling world issues.

They were brought together by the tragedies of 9/11, with no plan to make their arrangement a formal one; they simply came together to support one another through those difficult times. Their meetings became weekly; their friendship deepened.


The Interfaith Amigos began doing presentations together and wrote a book, then a second and a third.

Getting to the Heart of Interfaith (Skylight Paths, 2009), brought them international attention. Renowned religion and spirituality author Karen Armstrong calls their “exuberant and courageous” second book, Religion Gone Astray: What We Found at the Heart of Interfaith (Skylight Paths, 2011), “an inspiration for all of us in these sadly polarized times.” Their third book, Finding Peace Through Spiritual Practice (Skylight Paths, 2016), looks at the specific issues we face in a pluralistic society and the spiritual practices that can help us transcend the roadblocks to effective collaboration on the critical issues of our time.

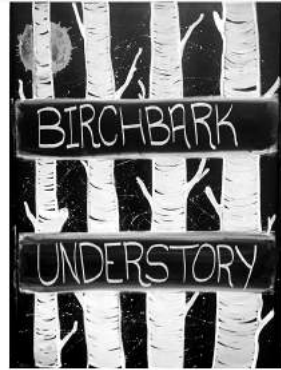
Everyone of any (or no) religious affiliation is invited. Admission is free and no tickets are needed. A freewill offering will be taken at the event. Parking is available at the church, which is located at the intersection of LaSalle, Franklin and Nicollet Avenues, in Minneapolis (1900 Nicollet Ave.); (612) 871-7400. www.plymouth.org.

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BRADSTREET'S ISLAND

The Lost Japanese Garden of Lake of the Isles

By Kathy Kullberg

Envision traveling to San Francisco to visit the picturesque Japanese gardens of Golden Gate Park? Or visit the lush flowers and blooming shrubs of Butchart Gardens in Victoria, British Columbia? Or going out of your way to see the giant water lily ponds of Longwood Gardens of Philadelphia? All beautiful spots and a 'must see' when one visits those cities.

What if Minneapolis had such a destination garden – a 'must see' - built on an island in the middle of Lake of the Isles? Picture a graceful arch of a Japanese moon bridge crossing from the Parkway over to the island, a Japanese pagoda shrine and stone lanterns backlit by the setting sun in the west.

Such was the vision of Minneapolis designer, John Scott Bradstreet, for Raspberry Island in Lake of the Isles in 1910. Bradstreet's love of Asian aesthetic was well known in the Twin Cities and written about by W.P. Kirkwood in *The Bellman* magazine in 1912: Bradstreet, a man "whose reputation is far spread and whose genius has already done so much to advance artistic achievement, a marvelous master of color and a man who makes his visions real".¹



Bradstreet Island Vision Drawing

In a 1910 letter to the Minneapolis Park board commissioners with the approval of superintendent Theodore Wirth, Bradstreet had proposed that "for several years the possibilities of the islands have appealed to me with an reasing desire to add to their picturesqueness something of a personal nature.I should like to so treat the further of the two islands that from the shore it may, with its Pagoda, Torii, and stone Ishidoro suggest the picturesqueness of a temple island of the Far East." It was his great desire that this garden island would be wholly unique in America, to be remembered and talked about with pleasure by returned travelers. It would be a 'must-see' destination.

Bradstreet Island torii gate



Visitors' memories would recount the masses of

¹ Bradstreet Island, W.P. Kirkwood, *The Bellman*, January 20, 1912, page 73 to 76.

foliage topped by a pagoda and a smaller minor temple set upon a terrace outlined with lanterns and grinning dog statues. Plantings would include lotus, rocks, azaleas, pine and cherry trees - all blended into one wonderful setting. One's attention would then center upon a torii, or gateway, as one of the conspicuous objects of the view located at one prominent end of the island.

By this time in his life Bradstreet had already made more than ten trips to Japan and the Orient and brought back hundreds of objects that he sold at his Craffhouse store in Minneapolis. The wealthy clientele of Minneapolis filled their residences and their lake homes with imported statues, stone lanterns and life-size bronze cranes.

Bradstreet had also been hired to landscape at least four Lake Minnetonka 'cottages' including a well documented Japanese Garden at the John Birkholz residence at Minnetonka Beach. He was also given free reign to customize his own apartment at the Judd House in Minneapolis (the present sight of the Minneapolis Armory). While living at the Judd House, Bradstreet landscaped one of the side yards into a Japanese Garden following traditional guidelines which included flowing water crossed by a flat stone bridge, lilies, lanterns, a tea house, and strategically placed boulders. Though the Judd House garden was created for private relaxation, a public garden was Bradstreet's vision for Lake of the Isles.

Before arriving in Minneapolis in 1873, Bradstreet worked in Providence, Rhode Island, for the Gorham silver firm. He was motivated to bring high design to the newly arrived social elite from the East. The thriving but lackluster Midwest metropolis was devoid of sophistication, quality design, museums, elite specialty shops, and paved streets of the kind found in Boston, New York and Philadelphia. Bradstreet brought a reputation for leading-edge interior design which made him a much sought after designer of interior as well as exterior spaces. His many trips to the Orient and Europe brought back many artifacts that found their way into many a prominent and wealthy home.

Even as the area called Island Park on Lake of the Isles was being platted in 1912 for exclusive homes, the plans for Bradstreet Island's vision were in the forefront of those developing the district. "The property owned by the Conrad company is in full view of the lake and most of the holdings are in full view of the island which Mr. Bradstreet plans to turn into a dream of Japanese loveliness copied after one of the islands of the Inland sea in Japan." Sadly, this dreamscape vision and plan never came to fruition.

Though a series of medical setbacks including surviving an automobile accident in 1905, and a bout with pneumonia kept him hospitalized for many weeks, Bradstreet looked forward to making his park dream a reality. The proposal to the Park Board was well

received in 1910 and enthusiastically supported by Theodore Wirth who continued to recommend further grading of the large island in the 1912 Annual report of the Park Board, to conform to the plans of Mr. Bradstreet. Then fate intervened.

Bradstreet's business partner, Frank Hoxie Waterman, died suddenly in July of 1911 and left a huge void at the Craffhouse firm. Tragically, on August 10, 1914, John S. Bradstreet himself passed away after a short illness from which he was thought to recover but did not.

After his death the vast majority of his estate was left to his two sisters, with a large part of his extensive art collection and Asian objects donated to the newly minted Minneapolis Art Museum. The Craffhouse continued to operate but business declined when its most ardent owner and designer was no longer at the helm. Furthermore, the Park Board had begun to run out of funding after extensive expansion, maintenance, and the great expense of the Lake of the Isles dredging project. Although the city's population and use of the parks had increased dramatically in the early 1900s, the City had not increased funding to the Board proportionately. Though Wirth continued to promote Bradstreet's Japanese garden island concept, the Board found more justifiable ways to spend its limited budget.

The must-see dream of Bradstreet's Japanese Island was then lost to history.



Birkholz Japanese Garden

THE BAKKEN MUSEUM CELEBRATING HALLOWEEN WITH FAMILY-FRIENDLY DISCOVERY DAY OCTOBER 26

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Discovery Days: Design Challenge at The Bakken Museum

On Saturday, October 26, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. youth and families, and adults are invited to The Bakken Museum for the Halloween-themed Discovery Day. Attendees will use tools from the museum's makerspace to design their own cardboard costume, protect a tiny town from a pumpkin avalanche, and build a monster incubator.

In addition to special activities, guests can: get spooked in Frankenstein's Laboratory, an immersive object theatre; meet the mother of science fiction in Mary and Her Monster; and get a shock from a 100-year old electricity machine in Ben Franklin's Electricity Party.

Discovery Days at The Bakken Museum are supported by H.B. Fuller and Classical MPR.

Children in costumes receive \$1 off tickets. All activities are free with museum admission (\$10 adults, \$8 seniors 62+, \$8 ages 12-24, \$5 ages 4-12, free for children 3 and under and members of The Bakken Museum). Free parking is available both in the museum's lot on Zenith Avenue South, and on West 36th Street.

Complete event information is available on The Bakken Museum's event webpage (thebakken.org/events) and on the museums' Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/events/2579840252062671/>).

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Left: Debbie Gold and Council Member Lisa Goodman in the Pickle Booth at the East Isles Farmers Market.



Right: Vegetables and bounty at the East Isles Farmers Market



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Isles Ensemble musicians return for 16th season on Sunday, November 17

By Michael Wilson

The eleven musicians of the Isles Ensemble, string players all, return to our Hill and Lake neighborhood for their 16th season with a concert on Sunday, November 30, at 2 pm at Lake of the Isles Lutheran featuring works by Hummel, Kevin Puts, and everyone's favorite Schubert – his "Trout" Quintet.

In 2004, according to Leslie Shank, then-SPCO assistant concertmaster and Lowry Hill East resident, she and Minnesota Orchestra violinist Joanne Opgenorth were walking around Lake of the Isles and were struck by the beauty of Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church as they viewed it across the water. Opgenorth poked her head in the church, Shank recalls, and said, "The acoustic is great. This would be a marvelous performance space for a chamber group." Shortly afterwards the Isles Ensemble was born.

The Isles Ensemble members come from the top tier of chamber musicians in the Twin Cities. Chamber music is their passion, and their mission is to help build a vibrant chamber music community in the Twin Cities. The players introduce each piece with a few brief remarks about the music to provide some listening guidance as well as a performer's perspective, Shank says. After each concert, audience members are invited to join the performers at an informal reception for a chance to mingle, meet the players, and discuss the music in more depth.

The players all agree Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church, built in 1925, has excellent acoustics and provides a beautiful and intimate atmosphere for enjoying music. And we all appreciate the ease and convenience of wonderful music right in our own backyard.

Old 'chestnuts' and recent pieces.

"This season the Isles Ensemble is presenting a mix of much-loved "chestnuts," unusual and overlooked chamber works, and several recently written pieces as well," says cellist Laura Sewell. "The opening concert on November 17 has all three!"



Photo creation and caption: Sifei Cheng, Minnesota Orchestra and Isles Ensemble violinist. Did Franz Schubert write the "Trout" Quintet because of his love for fishing? Come find out at the Isles Ensemble's first concert of the season on Sunday, November 17th!

Johann Nepomuk Hummel's **Adagio, Variations and Rondo on a Russian Theme, Op. 78**, which opens the program, is an example, Sewell notes, of a rarely-heard piece that is delightful and a total audience-pleaser. Hummel, born in 1778, was a child prodigy and so impressed Mozart, earlier a child prodigy himself, that he began receiving lessons and housing free of charge from Mozart at the age of eight. He grew up to become one of the great piano virtuosos of his day.

The newly-wed Hummel spent 1814 touring Russia and Europe. During his eastern travels he undoubtedly heard "The Cossack Rode Beyond the Danube," one of the most famous Ukrainian folk songs. The song reached Germany where, with different words, it became hugely popular as "Schöne Minka." Beethoven included it in his 1816 Songs of Various Nations. It featured in Glinka's great 1848 orchestra work

Karaminskaya. Spike Jones recorded a swing version in the 1940s.

Isles Ensemble pianist Ivan Konev, a native Ukrainian himself, says, "I enjoy the Hummel trio because he offers virtuosic playing to each of trio members and at the same time makes it truly an ensemble piece where each instrument has its own voice. It's Mozartian in style and the third movement is his take on the popular Russian tune which he probably heard on his Russian trip" four years earlier.

Following the Hummel is Kevin Puts' **Credo for String Quartet (2007)**. Puts is well known in these parts as the composer of the opera "Silent Night," premiered by the Minnesota Opera in 2011, which won the Pulitzer the following year.

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Hennepin-Lyndale Greening Grows!

By Craig Wilson

Summer 2019 was another banner year in the greening of Hennepin-Lyndale, thanks to the Hennepin-Lyndale Crossroads project.

The Hennepin-Lyndale Crossroads is a project of Green Minneapolis in partnership with Citizens for a Loring Park Community, Lowry Hill Neighborhood Association, Minnesota Department of Transportation, Minneapolis Department of Public Works and Minneapolis Park & Recreation Board. It is made possible through the support and generous contributions of members of the Hennepin-Lyndale Public Space Coalition: Dunwoody College of Technology, Walker Art Center, Hennepin Avenue United Methodist Church, Episcopal Cathedral of St. Mark, The Basilica of St. Mary and Loring Corners, Inc.

Hennepin-Lyndale is the nexus of some of the region's most important institutions and civic spaces, and this unique public-private partnership aims to transform the famous bottleneck into a green gateway to our

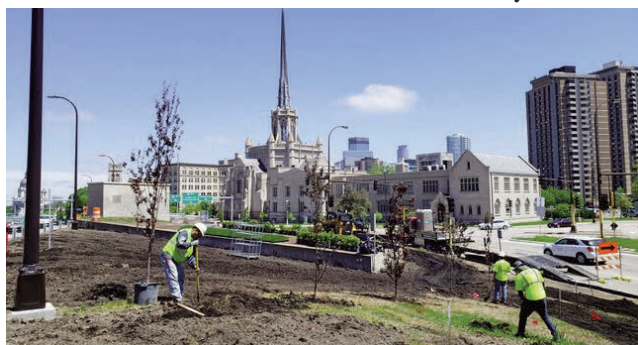
city. New plantings on intersection medians, an ongoing maintenance plan and coordination among stakeholders has turned an unkempt and vehicle-focused intersection into a natural oasis welcoming to pedestrians. Green corridors connect people to places.

In Summer 2019, the Crossroads expanded plantings to the north and south to further connect this important cultural intersection with downtown and uptown with critical support from MDOT. This includes the median

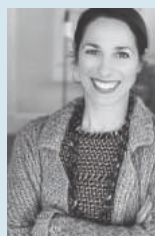
along I-94 and Hennepin Ave near Lurcat and the median in front of Hennepin Methodist Church. In Fall 2019, the Crossroads is looking to support pedestrian and aesthetic improvements at the Dunwoody underpass (under interstate 94), including additional lighting, art and landscaping.

Please consider supporting this important work with a charitable contribution to Green Minneapolis by visiting www.greenminneapolis.org

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East Isles Residents' Association

By Debbie Gold

Minutes from the EIRA BOARD OF DIRECTORS (BOD) Meeting

Tuesday, October 15, 2019 Grace Trinity Community Church

Board members present: Ellen van Iwaarden (President), Mackenzie Nelson (Vice President), Andrew Degerstrom (Treasurer), Debbie Gold (Secretary) Mike Erlandson, John Morrow, John Grochala, Emma Erdahl, Steve Havig, and Julia Curran
Board Members not present: Kate Svitavsky
Alternates not present: John Erlandson

Guests: Council Member, Lisa Goodman and Danielle Elkins, City of Minneapolis

Welcome & Call to Order: Ellen van Iwaarden, EIRA President 7:00 p.m.

Guest Speaker, Council Member Lisa Goodman, City of Minneapolis. Lisa notified residents about leaf removal/street sweeping beginning on October 21st. She encouraged residents to check the city website <http://www.minneapolismn.gov/publicworks/streetsweeping/> for dates and times when parking restrictions might be enforced on their block. City crews will post "No Parking" signs at least 24 hours before sweeping any streets. Parking will be banned from 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on the day a street is swept. Vehicles not removed will be towed to the Minneapolis Impound Lot.

The last Lunch with Lisa will be held on October 30, 2019.

Guest Speaker, Danielle Elkins, City of Minneapolis came to inform the neighborhood about Mobility Hubs. A mobility hub is a place where people can connect to multiple modes of transportation, to make their trip as safe, convenient and reliable as possible. The City of Minneapolis has launched a mobility hub pilot program to increase access to convenient, low or no carbon transportation options, including transit, shared scooters and Nice Ride bicycles.

The three-month pilot program will inform a long-term plan to implement a larger mobility hub network in Minneapolis. The City of Minneapolis is collaborating with Metro Transit, Hennepin County, mobility service

providers and neighborhood organizations on the pilot.

More information can be found on the city website: <http://www.minneapolismn.gov/publicworks/trans/mobilityhubs>

President's Report

EIRA is looking for a new administrative assistant. The EIRA board voted to form a search committee. Mackenzie will chair the search with board members, Ellen, Andrew and Emma agreeing to serve on the committee.

Ellen reported that the EIRA officer's insurance has been paid, the registration with the Secretary of State has been filed and that she is working with EIRA's contract bookkeeper to complete the Attorney General's report.

Ellen will work with Board Secretary, Debbie Gold, on updating some of EIRA's outdated policy documents, including those given to new board members and EIRA's grievance policy.

They will reach out to the City for advice on any proposed revisions. Revisions will be presented to the board for discussion and a vote in a Secretary's Report at future BOD meetings.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer, Andrew Degerstrom, reported net income from the Super Sale was \$989.68. After expenses to EIRA of \$675.82, this year's Super Sale netted \$313.86. The board expressed thanks to the chair of this event, Shelly Itman.

Andrew explained that EIRA's new accountant will prepare a monthly financial report for the EIRA board. As of 9/30/2019, EIRA has a positive balance of \$50,068.41.

It was explained that now that QuickBooks is set up to keep track of both restricted and unrestricted funds for EIRA, a separate bank account for each is no longer necessary.

A motion was made and passed to combine the previous two EIRA checking accounts for restricted and unrestricted accounts into a single account. Two members of the executive committee will meet with Wells Fargo in the coming weeks to execute.

Committee Reports

NRP

Chair, Mike Erlandson, reported on the following:
Levin Triangle Park Shade Structure

EIRA support for an appropriate shade structure includes \$40,000 from park dedication fees as proposed by the Minneapolis Park & Recreation Board (MPRB) and initially \$25,000 from EIRA's NRP funds. The MPRB Request For Qualifications for the structure will be issued on Oct. 21st. In addition to MPB staff, EIRA community members Amy Sanborn, Sarah Bronson, Harvey Ettinger and Mike Erlandson will serve on the initial review panel.

EIRA and the NRP Committee both approved resolutions to support the Park Board's allocation of \$40,000 in Park Dedication Fees and for EIRA to allocate up to \$40,000 in NRP Funds from public space improvements toward a shade structure in Levin Triangle Park. The resolutions were passed both by the NRP committee and the EIRA.

Public Safety Cameras

EIRA and NRP have been working with the Minneapolis Police Department (MPD) Precinct 5 (P5) to support public safety. EIRA and the NRP Committee had initially been seeking to provide funding for a mobile trailer camera. After working more with P5's Inspector Huffman it was determined permanent cameras placed along Hennepin and Lagoon would provide better public safety coverage than a mobile camera unit. Each camera costs about \$7,000 to place and camera life is about seven years.

EIRA passed a resolution (6-3 with 1 abstention) in support of the allocation of \$40,000 in EIRA NRP funds toward six cameras to be placed in East Isles.

EIRA's resolution of support is subject to posting a plan modification as necessary to reallocate funds from other un-allocated NRP accounts to public safety. Most of the funding will come from program income generated by previous EIRA NRP affordable housing loans. EIRA NRP Committee Chair Mike Erlandson will reach out to neighboring neighborhoods and local businesses and the business association to seek additional funds. NRP Chair Erlandson and EIRA Treasurer Andrew Degerstrom will work with City NRP staff to properly balance EIRA NRP accounts to accommodate the plan modification necessary to allocate these funds to the neighborhood crime prevention account and fund the cameras.

Seven Pools

EIRA's NRP Committee received a request for \$500 in funding to support the efforts to replace the Seven Pools in Thomas Lowry Park.

EIRA passed a resolution (9-1) to provide the requested \$500 for the rehabilitation effort.

Built Environment and Transportation (BET) Chair, Andrew Degerstrom, reported on the following agenda items from the October 1 meeting: 1) new two-family condo building at 2208 Irving Ave S, and 2) safety improvements of the Midtown Greenway intersections at Humboldt Avenue, Irving Avenue, and James Avenue.

Based on Committee and Chair recommendations, EIRA voted on the following items:*

New two-family condo building at 2208 Irving Ave S

Approval for a variance to increase the maximum height of a two-family dwelling in the SH Shoreland Overlay District from 2.5 stories/28 feet to 3 stories/36 feet. (Motion passed 10-0)

Recommend approval for a variance to permit curb cut access to the street for a property with an alley that serves a two-family dwelling. Add language requesting that if the variance were to be approved to reduce the width of the curb cut. (Motion passed 9-1)

Approval for a variance to increase the maximum floor area for an attached accessory structure designed or intended to be used for parking of vehicles from 690 square feet to 876 square feet. Add language requesting that if the variance were to be approved to design the accessory structures in a way that they could easily be converted to livable space in the future considering the City's climate and transportation goals of reducing VMT. (Motion passed 9-1)

Safety Improvements of the Midtown Greenway intersections at Humboldt Avenue, Irving Avenue, and James Avenue

Write letter of support for the designs as presented to the BET committee with a request that additional design features be considered at the Irving Avenue intersection to further deter drivers coming south out of the alley from making an illegal left turn onto Irving. (Motion passed 10-0)

*Specific measurements stated in motions, such as height and square footage, are based on information presented to the committee by the applicant and are subject to change based on final determination by City staff. Approval of any of these motions includes the ability to correct any measurements as necessary.

East Isles Farmers Market

Debbie Gold, Director, presented highlights from
EIRA to page 9

STOP IN FOR A VISIT

We've had 47 years
To service your needs,
I have overcome my fears
And done good deeds.

Now for 33 years
On 38th street
I've rejoiced in all you dears
I've had the pleasure to meet!

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My work isn't done,
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But you are over seventy
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Cedar Isles Dean Neighborhood Association

By Monica Smith

BOARD MEETING MINUTES, October 9, 2019

Board members attending: Chair Mary Pattock, Secretary Rosanne Halloran, Evan Carlson, James Reid, Amanda Vallone.

Coordinator: Monica Smith

Absences: Treasurer Taylor Pentelovitch, Gabriel Andrews, Clem Foltz, Stephen Goltry, Claire Ruebeck, Michael Wilson. Chair Mary Pattock called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

A quorum was not present, and the meeting was immediately adjourned.

Next meeting

Wednesday, November 13, 6:00-8:00 p.m., Jones-Harrison Residence.

Notes to CIDNA residents: Contact info@cidna.org

To sign up for our monthly e-newsletter

If you are interested in serving on one of our new committees,

If you are interested in being a board member (there are four open seats).

Wine Tasting from page one

profit neighborhood associations in their support of community gardens, movies in the park, bicycles and equipment for police officers, block clubs, supplies for disadvantaged students, ice cream socials, neighborhood activities, and more. Hennepin Lake Liquors has sponsored this event since its inception, and appetizers are donated by area restaurants. With the gracious help of St. Mary's staff, neighborhood volunteers plan and carry out the event. It's truly an example of community collaboration.

On behalf of the participating neighborhoods, the planning committee thanks the terrific Jeff Goldstein Trio for providing background music, and all who supported the fundraiser with their donations, their time, their ticket purchases and presence. Save the date for next year: Thursday, October 8, 2020.

EIRA from page 8

the 2019 market season. She will be meeting with the MPRB next week to present a de-brief of the season and to discuss next steps for the market, at the completion of its two-year pilot. Gold notified the BOD that she has decided to resign as Market Director, effective at the end of this year. In her statement she said she hopes EIRA will find a way to continue the momentum of the East Isles Farmers Market.

12 markets were held out of 14 dates.

The markets featured 42 rotating local food vendors/small business owners with an average of 15 vendors attending each market.

12 rotating food trucks, all Minnesota owned.

22 vendors (+50%) were minority business owners.

A total of 178 vendors attended all markets, including food trucks.

\$17,078 Net Profit to EIRA after expenses.

Total Attendance = 8,550+ East Isles friends and neighbors

Average attendance per market = 713

An increase of +3,156 attendees for 2019 from previous year

90%+ attendees arrived by bike or on foot.

10 Neighborhood business sponsors

7 Special Events hosted

11 Community Organizations + Educators Represented

President, Ellen van Iwaarden recommended a discussion of the future of the East Isles Farmers Market at next month's board meeting.

Outreach and Nominations

Chair, Emma Erdahl, held a meeting of the committee in early October. The Committee will begin advertis-

Lowry Hill Neighborhood Association

By Chas Scheiderer

Board Meeting Minutes, October 2, 2019

Kenwood Recreation Center

Board Members Present:

Jennifer Breitinger, Lee Switzenburg, Tom Huppert, William Reyelts, Kathleen Bottini, Bob Hinck, Jody Lichtor, Craig Wilson, Chas Scheiderer

Board Members Absent:

Fran Davis, Evan Stern, Sam Ellingson, Toni D'Eramo, Justin Baylor, Thomas Regnier

Others in attendance:

Brian Zakem, Julie and Mohsen Sadeghi

Called to Order at 7 PM.

Minutes approved from September 3 meeting.

Treasurer's Report (Toni D'Eramo)

Toni sent in statement of income and expenses.

Committee Reports

Neighborhood Priorities (Craig Wilson, Jody Lichtor)

Craig reviewed the successful Hennepin-Lyndale Crossroads Greening Project and identified additional planning needs to complete the project.

MOTION: Reallocate \$65,075.39 in the Lowry Hill Neighborhood Priority Reserve to the Public Realm Improvements priority in LHNA's Neighborhood Revitalization Program funds.

Project Information

The Hennepin Lyndale Crossroads is a project of Green Minneapolis in partnership with Lowry Hill Neighborhood Association, Citizens for a Loring Park Community, MNDOT, City of Minneapolis and MPRB. The project is funded by donations from the Hennepin Lyndale Public Space Coalition, whose members include The Basilica of St. Mary, Loring Corners, Inc., Episcopal Cathedral of St. Mark, Hennepin Ave United Methodist, Walker Art Center, Dunwoody Institute, CLPC and LHNA. Donations are also sought from individuals.

Timeline

2015: Neighborhood advocacy to address beautification and safety during the reconstruction of the corridor. Planning for Coalition to support maintenance.

2016/7: Reconstruction of the Crossroads complete, including Karl Forester grasses in major medians.

2018: Green Minneapolis joins the Coalition and tares on liabilities, operations and oversight of the project. Additional plantings of grasses and shrubs at median pedestrian crosswalks and creation of formal garden, irrigation system and urn at the Douglas Median.

Renowned poet Louis Jenkins reads Oct. 28 at Plymouth Church, Minneapolis

Poet and playwright Louis Jenkins reads from his new book *Where Your House is Now*, 7 p.m., Monday, Oct. 28, at Plymouth Congregational Church in Minneapolis. With Jenkins's reading and book signing, Literary Witnesses kicks off its 22nd year.

Jenkins, whose work the Poetry Foundation aptly describes as illuminating the "mundane peculiarities of

existence" and who Charles Isherwood of the New York Times says flows "like a river through the shallows and the depths" is an observational humorist and troubadour of our times.

ing that EIRA has an open alternate position. She is considering the possibility of using Google voice to accept inquiries as well as posting more information about the opening and committees and opportunities in a newsletter.

There were no items in Open Forum.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

The next EIRA meeting will be at 7 pm on Tuesday, November 12, 2019 @ 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.

2019: After advocacy from neighborhoods and Coalition, MNDOT agrees to invest \$105,000 in plantings at Median 2 B to address concerns about loitering and panhandling, as long as Coalition will take on maintenance. This fall, MNDOT will invest \$25,000 to plant new trees, shrubs and vines at Median 8. Both of these medians were initially proposed for 2020, but when MNDOT found funds available, the timeline was advanced.

2020: Planning for community projects to improve Dunwoody Underpass.

Need

Support Green Minneapolis' planning, consulting, oversight and management efforts related to improvement of the additional medians and 94 underpass.

Craig requested LHNA approve a motion to allocate \$10,000 in NRP funds* to Green Minneapolis.

Bob Hinck made the motion to allocate \$10,000 in NRP funds to Green Minneapolis to be used as follows:

\$5,000 in funding to help address funding gap, specifically used to pay for the consulting, oversight and management of the work by Green Minneapolis (\$2,500 for two new medians)

\$5,000 in funding to launch planning work for the Dunwoody Underpass

Motion seconded by William Reyelts. Motion passed unanimously with Craig abstaining.

Historical (Bob Hinck, Thomas Regnier)

Nothing to report.

Zoning (Lee Switzenburg and Sam Ellingson)

Nothing to report.

Crime and Safety (William Reyelts)

The map William received from the police department shows the block leader program needs to be updated, and block leaders need to be recruited. William will work with Toni to get a flyer printed to advertise the program.

Events (Justin Baylor, Tom Huppert)

Nothing to report.

Communications (Toni D'Eramo)

Newsletter will be sent out next week.

The last southwest area park planning CAC meeting is being held October 7. After this meeting the staff will assemble a final briefing for the park board. There will be a 45-day comment period afterward.

LHNA board meetings are scheduled for the first Tuesday off the month. Meetings for the remainder of this year are November 5 and December 3.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM.

His play *Nice Fish*, based on poem of the same name, premiered at the Guthrie Theater in 2013 and has been performed by the American Repertory Theater in Boston, St. Ann's Warehouse in New York City and, most recently, at The Harold Pinter Theatre in London's West End.

His work is humorous, insightful, rich. No one ever leaves a Louis Jenkins reading without a smile on their face. His new book is published by Nodin Press.

In collaboration with Literary Witnesses partners Birchbark Books, a book signing will follow the reading. Oct. 28 is Jenkins's birthday, and we will celebrate with cake at the reception. The event is free and there is free parking available at the church.

Literary Witnesses is a program of Plymouth Congregational Church, Minneapolis.

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Isles Ensemble from page six

Violinist Joanne Opgenorth asked to have **Credo** included in this year's Isles Ensemble concert season. "Kevin Puts' **Credo** is a piece about human connection and hope," she writes. "The listener becomes a passenger on a train passing through a busy metropolis, pausing at two different scenes. The first scene is outside a luthier's shop, where someone is trying out violins while the luthier works steadily on. The next scene is of a woman teaching her daughter to dance. The piece ends with a beautiful prayer-like slow movement, called 'Credo.'

"I suppose I programmed it because these days I'm feeling the need to play uplifting music," Opgenorth adds. "In this piece I can lose myself and forget about all the craziness in today's world."

The second half of the November 17 program is Schubert's **Piano Quintet in A Major, D. 667** – known to music lovers the world over simply as the **Trout Quintet**. It's "one of the most beloved pieces in all of the chamber music literature," says cellist Sewell. "It got its nickname because the fourth movement is a set of variations based on Schubert's own song, 'Die Forelle' (the trout)."

Schubert scored the quintet for one each of the four instruments of the string family: violin, viola, cello, and bass, plus the piano. "The Isles members however will be doing something unusual with the Schubert," Sewell notes. "Tom Rosenberg, one of the two cellists in the group, will be playing the double bass part on a cello that has been outfitted to sound one octave lower when played! This special instrument will be played twice this season, in fact, since I will play the bass part in March in a quintet by Enescu."

Future concerts are on January 19, March 8, and May 17. Find out more about the musicians at <islesensemble.org.>



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Isles Ensemble

2019-20 Season

Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church
2020 W. Lake of the Isles Parkway

Sunday, November 17th -- 2 pm
Hummel - Kevin Puts
Schubert ("Trout" Quintet)

Sunday, January 19th -- 2 pm
Mozart - Schubert - Tchaikovsky

Sunday, March 8th -- 2 pm
Beethoven - Enescu - Mendelssohn

Sunday, May 17th -- 2 pm
Mahler - Paul Schonfield - Mozart
Location for the May 17th concert:
St. Paul Conservatory of Music
1524 Summit Avenue, St. Paul 55105

For more information: islesensemble.org

make sure crews can do the best job possible, temporary "No Parking" signs will be posted at least 24 hours in advance so streets will be clear of cars when they're swept. The first signs will be posted Monday, Oct. 21, and sweeping will begin the next day. Anyone who parks on the street will need to follow posted parking rules or their cars may be ticketed and towed.

Ways to stay informed of the parking rules:

- "No Parking" signs – City crews will post "No Parking" signs at least 24 hours before sweeping any streets. Parking will be banned from 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on the day a street is swept. However, the "No Parking" signs will be removed as soon as possible after a street has been completely swept to allow people to resume parking after the signs are removed. Vehicles not in compliance with "No Parking" signs may be ticketed and towed to the Minneapolis Impound Lot.

- Social media – The City will use Facebook and Twitter to post periodic street sweeping updates and information.

- o Facebook: To "like" the City of Minneapolis Facebook page, go to www.facebook.com/cityofminneapolis.

- o Twitter: To follow the City's Twitter account, go to www.twitter.com/CityMinneapolis.

- Phone calls to residents – In addition to the "No Parking" signs that will be posted the day before sweepers come through, the City will make about 3,000 automated phone calls each evening to let residents know their street will be swept the next day. There's no guarantee that the calls will reach everyone, so residents should be sure to check the various ways to be aware of

the rules, and watch for signs.

- Interactive web feature – Folks can use a feature on the City's website to find out when the sweepers are coming through their neighborhoods. The Street Sweeping Schedule Lookup will be available at www.minneapolismn.gov/streetsweeping once we get closer to the start date. The fall street sweep takes four weeks, and visitors to the website will be able to find out which week their street is scheduled to be swept. Then, on the weekend before each of the four weeks, the schedule for the upcoming week will be broken down to show which day of the week streets are scheduled to be swept.

- Videos – Street sweeping is explained in English, Hmong, Somali and Spanish as part of the City's "Did you know..." series of short videos that can be viewed at www.YouTube.com/cityofminneapolis and on Minneapolis City TV. Residents who have friends or neighbors who speak these languages are encouraged to share links to the videos.

- o English: See how and why Minneapolis sweeps streets and what you can do to help keep streets and waterways clean in this video from the Minneapolis "Did you know..." series.

- o Spanish: En este video vea por qué la Ciudad de Minneapolis limpia las calles y qué puede hacer usted para ayudar a mantener limpias las calles y vías fluviales.

- o Somali: Ka daawo fiidyowga taxanaha... ee Minneapolis ee loo yaqaan "Ma Ogtahay" siyaabaha iyo sababaha minneapolis jidadka ay u xaaqido oo ogow sidii aad uga caawin lahayd ilaalinta nadaafada jidadka iyo biyo mareenada.

Sand Upon the Waters

By Tom H. Cook

A study has found that 11.5 percent of U.S. respondents believe politics is damaging their physical health.

Rosie McCall
Newsweek September 25, 2019

Crazy uncle Izzy (the one with the plate in his head that allows him to get Conelrad and police scanner dispatches to his brain) is taking all us kids on a Sunday drive in his Ford Country Squire station wagon. It is 1957 and America is great for the first time. There are ten of us, and we are rattling around, climbing over each other, spilling our burgers and strawberry shakes as Izzy roars down the highway, driving (in his estimation) “perfectly” despite spending a considerable amount of time on the shoulder, then surprising other drivers by passing them on the right as we head for the far left lane. We often hit 90 mph “because speed limits are for squares.” Why did our parents let us go? He promised a nice short, safe drive to get lunch. Where are the police?

Adam and Nancy are screaming for him to stop, which only goads him to accelerate and drive more recklessly. Somehow a couple of french fries with ketchup get stuck in Izzy’s hair and he goes even more berserk. His left foot on the gas, he is sweating, swearing and rooting around in the back seat trying to quell the rebellion. He seems genuinely hurt that we do not appreciate the burgers (although our parents supplied the money and he pocketed the change) or that no one has ever driven from the Twin Cities to Brainerd faster. We are three quarters of the way there. We have forced three cars off the road. Hundreds of drivers have honked at us. We and the naugahyde are covered in vomit. Little Caroline’s shrieks and cries will haunt me into my forties. If we get to Brainerd alive, we will kiss the ground and hug each other. Of course Izzy will want us to get back in the car with him for another term.

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I won’t pretend to know how this all ends or if it ever does. My fantasy is based upon the last episode of Seinfeld. Jerry, George, Elaine and Kramer are called out on their lives of privilege and casual disregard for the feelings of others. They face a jury of their peers; Babu (the failed restaurateur) and many more get to air their grievances in court.

Our democracy badly needs a People’s Court for this president. An open hearing for those who have been personally cheated, violated, defrauded, intimidated and slandered. They would have an opportunity for a face-to-face redress of their grievances. We know the president lacks the empathy and self awareness found in most humans and higher animals; that is how we got into this mess in the first place. Of course he will not change. But this televised event (he will gloat over the ratings) will not be aimed at altering his behavior or seeking enlightenment or contrition. Funerals are for the living, and we need this catharsis.

The fairest way is to line everyone up chronologically, beginning with nannies and governesses he terrorized as a child. They can come forward and talk about his tantrums and cruelty. Classmates in private and military school can share stories about the “Richie Rich” bully and braggart. Next would come tutors paid to do his work at Fordham University. Bribing his way into Penn and graduating without cracking a book did not happen without witnesses; they will be up next. Bone spurs is well documented. The Roy Cohn years are a

Twin Cities Opera Guild

TCOG celebrated its 58th annual Candlelight Dinner at Edina Country Club on October 19. Guests enjoyed a strolling accordionist while perusing the dozens of silent auction items. A delicious dinner was served and guests were entertained by artists from the Minnesota Opera Resident/Artist Programw

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cesspool of Studio 54 exploitation of young women. Let them have their say. Next are the scores of plumbers, carpenters and laborers he refused to pay, including the honest contractors he drove out of business. “Sue me,” he would say. The women he grabbed, the contracts he defaulted on... already there are hundreds of aggrieved New Yorkers and he is not yet thirty. There is even a book documenting his life-long cheating at golf. Coming up, The Art of The Deal, Atlantic City bankruptcies, German banks, Trump U. and Marla Maples!

We are going to need a bigger courtroom.
How many firsthand victims/survivors are there?
We must be well into four figures. The line would stretch double file from Congress to the White House.

Imagine the visual, and the interviews with those waiting to be heard. Franklin Graham would be called on to view the assembled mass of humanity and attempt to justify how these hundreds of people are all mistaken and the president really is a swell guy. Then he will be asked to name which of the seven deadly sins and Ten Commandments the president has not broken.

Tom H. Cook would not be invited to this twisted This Is Your Life spectacle. But every one of us who merely lost sleep, gnashed teeth, or saw our ideals shattered will be able to watch it on every channel except Fox.

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- Make sure alarm systems are armed at all times.

Get to know your neighbors and watch out for each other.

- CALL 911 if you see suspicious persons or activity – don't hesitate, make the call.

LOWRY HILL NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

Street Sweeping Starts in October – Don't Get Towed!
The fall street sweep takes four weeks, and visitors to this website can find out which week their street is scheduled to be swept: www.minneapolismn.gov/publicworks/streetsweeping

Halloween Neighborhood Block Party October 26th at 3:00 p.m.
Thrill Kenwood, our neighborhood Halloween Block Party, is back for its 11th anniversary. Lowry Hill residents are invited to attend this free event on Saturday October 26th at Kenwood Park from 3pm - 6pm. Activities include: zombie make overs, caricatures, live music, dance performances, a Halloween Creation Station and treat bags. Global Simultaneous Thriller Dance at 5 pm. Sponsored by the LHNA, KIAA, CIDNA and local businesses.



Election Day is Tuesday November 5th
Visit <http://vote.minneapolismn.gov> for all the details on early voting (open now), pre-registration, registering on election day, to find your polling place, see what is on your ballot and more.



LHNA Board Meeting Tuesday, November 5th at 7:00 p.m.:
All Lowry Hill residents are welcome, meet at the Kenwood Rec Center. An agenda will be posted on the LHNA website prior to the meeting. Your neighborhood board is committed to serving you. If you have a concern, question or wish to be on the agenda, contact us at lhna@lowryhillneighborhood.org



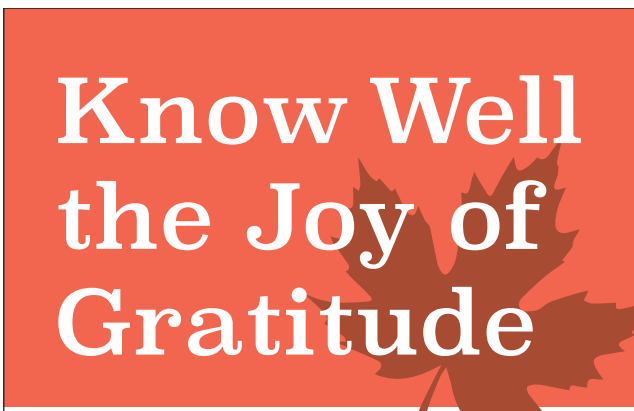
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On Thursday, October 31, you can trick-or-treat around Uptown at participating businesses!
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October Is Full Of Activities For Adults, Kids & Those Who Love Creepy-Crawlers

With Summer behind us, October at Como Zoo and Conservatory means smaller crowds and closer encounters with the plants and animals.
 The Fall Flower Show at the Marjorie McNeely Conservatory is open October 5-December 1 from 10:00am-4:00pm. There will be a show change October 28 - November 1 in which the Sunken Garden will be closed, but all other rooms of the Conservatory will remain open to the public.



Join Us

**on Thanksgiving Day
 Thursday, Nov. 28, 2019
 10:00 am**



Have you stopped to consider for whom and for what you are thankful in contrast to what you still pursue, what you need, and what you most desire?

Our welcoming community invites you to attend our Thanksgiving Day services at 10:00 am to pause and reflect on the joy that gratitude may bring.

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