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## CIDNA delays Brickstone resolution to July 12

By Bob Corrick



Rendering of street view for proposed 8-story Brickstone apartments at 3100 West Lake St.

Source: Brickstone Partners and ESG Architects

The Cedar-Isles-Dean Neighborhood has delayed consideration of its pending resolution on the Brickstone apartment project. The neighborhood had planned to take a position on the project in its June 14 board meeting, but Brickstone has offered new information about construction methods and plans. A resolution will be considered in CIDNA's July 12th board meeting pending discussions and negotiations with the developer.

Brickstone is proposing an 8-story 200-unit apartment project at 3100 West Lake Street. The developer expects to formally submit its plans to the City on about June 15. A major unresolved issue for the neighborhood has been disclosure of the developer's construction methods and plans to avoid damage to neighbors. Construction of the Trammell Crow apartments recently caused \$1.8 million of damage to the Loop Calhoun Condominiums, for which a lawsuit is pending. Neighbors of the Brickstone project want to avoid similar damage. The CIDNA Land Use Committee, on a preliminary basis, has already voted not to oppose project design, but other unresolved issues remain.

Anticipating Brickstone's formal submission on June 15, the CIDNA Land Use Committee has communicated, on a preliminary basis, the following concerns and requests to the City:

**Lane closures:** CIDNA is extremely concerned about lane closures in this narrow and congested area. Brickstone states: "During construction, AP does not currently plan to close the north lane of Lake Street on a long term basis. Short-term closures will be necessary and coordinated with the city and neighbor. On some occasions, specifically during heavy delivery activities (concrete pours, etc), AP plans to close the north lane of Lake Street, but only from 9:00AM to 3:00PM as mandated by the City of Minneapolis." Without further clarification, this language is not acceptable to CIDNA. Lane closures should be exceedingly rare, occurring very few times during the entire project. All of the thousands of concrete pours and deliveries (even if large) should occur off the street, and lane closures for waiting cement trucks should not be permitted. All construction activity should occur on the site, and no

## Storm Tumbles Lake of the Isles



Photo by Dorothy Childers; cutline by Joyce Murphy

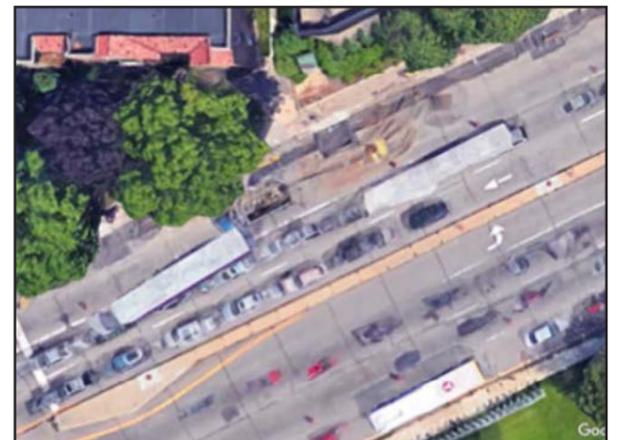
An early Sunday morning storm arrived on June 11th to wreak havoc on a front yard tree at an historic East Lake of the Isles Boulevard home. High winds, dark clouds, and heavy rain finished off this old, old tree. Now the clean-up begins and an empty space is left where once stood a noble tree. So sad, but that is how it is when summer storms come on and finish off an aging tree.

public land should be used on the ground or aerially. The sidewalk should always remain open.

**U-turns at Dean Parkway:** CIDNA proposes that the City should study prohibition of U-turns for easterly traffic on West Lake Street at Dean Parkway, and encourage U-turns at the quieter intersection of West Lake Street and Thomas Avenue South. There was near unanimous support for this prohibition at CIDNA's public meeting on June 5, but some residents still favor U-turns at this intersection. For example, Steve Goltry, together with 16 other residents who live next to the project at Lake Shore Arms apartments, 3026 West Lake Street, make the U-turn to access their garage. Brickstone also supports continued U-turns at this intersection for its future residents. Calhoun Flats Apartments renters also would benefit from this U-turn.

**Left turn lane at Dean Parkway:** CIDNA proposes to eliminate the bump out at the beginning of the left turn lane from West Lake Street to Dean Parkway (see the bump-out in the lower left corner of the photo below). This bump out contributes to traffic congestion by restricting access to the left-turn lane when east-bound cars on West Lake Street back up at the Dean Parkway stoplight.

**Left-turn lane into west curb cut:** CIDNA also proposes to eliminate and fill the left turn lane into the west curb cut at 3100 West Lake. Brickstone will eliminate this curb cut, so the left-turn lane will have no purpose after the project is completed, other than to permit U-turns.



CIDNA recommends elimination of the left-turn bump out in the lower left corner of this photo at the intersection of West Lake Street and Dean Parkway. Source Google Earth



CIDNA proposes to eliminate the left turn lane. Source Brickstone Partners and ESG Architects

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**Lunch with Lisa**  
Next Lunch is September 27, 2017

**Park Siding Park Gardening**

Saturday, June 24

9:00 a.m. - Noon

Park Siding Park, 3113 W. 28th St.

Join CIDNA's volunteer gardening team. No gardening experience necessary. Tools will be provided. Help is needed all season, so mark your calendar for the following Saturday mornings: July 22, August 26 and September 23. Details at [www.cidna.org](http://www.cidna.org)

The Southwest Summer Theatre program is a unique collaboration for incoming high school juniors and seniors, current college students and young adults throughout the entire metro area to participate in a "summer stock" theatre program. It is also a great experience for musicians in the orchestra, as well as technical and operations crew.

**Urinetown, the Musical**

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**HAPPENINGS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD**

- June 23, 1pm Minnesota Zoomobile Kenwood
- June 23, 15 minutes after dusk, Movies in the Park at Kenwood Park showing *Hidden Figures*.
- Pride weekend, June 23, 24, 25, Loring Park
- June 24, 9:00-11:00 am Gardening Day Park Siding Park
- June 25 2-5, Lake of the Isles Walking tour
- July 11, 6:30 to 8:30 Lowry Hill Ice Cream Social
- July 27, 6pm East Isles Ice Cream Social

**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

**Grand Reopening of the Minneapolis Sculpture Garden**



Photo by Dorothy Childers

The re-opening celebration of the Minneapolis Sculpture Garden brought a steady stream of visitors all day long with activities for kids, music, art, guided tours, free gallery admission, free giveaways, and more. In addition to adding new works of art, old ones were placed in new settings. The iconic Spoonbridge and Cherry remains at the center of the fully reconstructed garden, and was a welcomed sight for these youngsters.

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# Meet your Neighbors, the Hegstroms and their Chickens

Craig Wilson and neighbor Randi Kvam Hellman interview Marjorie and Erik Hegstrom about their chicken husbandry, egg farming, and favorite recipe for 'neighborhood' fresh eggs. Marjorie is the Board President of the Wedge Community Coop. In addition to this, Marjorie is a consultant for food and sustainable agriculture projects. Erik is a project manager for a building company in Minnetonka. They are a super parent team with their two children Ernie and Arthur and the produce they grow a garden of vegetables along with the their four chickens: Peepers, Molasses, Maple and Lola.

**Where are you from?** Marjorie grew up in Kentucky and we spent a lot of time on our family farm. Erik grew up in Excelsior, MN.

**What brought you to the Hill Lake area?** We love the ability to bike and walk for groceries, outdoor recreation, entertainment and other needs. We really value the close community and how convenient Lowry Hill is to accessing other parts of the city.

**How did your experiences as a child contribute to your approach to combining farming and city living?** We spent a lot of time on our family farm, so from an early age I had an appreciation for growing food. But, when Erik and I were house hunting, we chose to live in the city because we value the close community and ability to bike/walk to lots of places. So, we decided to make our little city lot as much like a farm as possible!

**Neighbors love seeing your home for the chickens. Did Erik design and create the coop?** Not this time. We found it on Craig's list - this woman from central Minnesota raises chickens and also designs/builds coops for fun! We were anxious to get started so we wanted to buy a coop ready to go. But we've had fun modifying it to get it just right for our girls!

**What is your routine to maintain it?** It's surprisingly easy. We clean the coop about once/week. More if they've been spending less time outside. The food and water dispensers hold about 4-5 days worth. So the daily routine is really just to let them out in the morning, put them in at night and of course, check for eggs!

**Do you feel Ernie and Arthur benefit from helping to raise the chickens?**

Yes, having the chickens is a great experience for the kids. We raised two of them from chicks so the kids got to understand how they grow and how their needs change as they get older and ready to move to the coop.

The kids help with feeding and watering, but they especially love collecting eggs, snuggling the chickens and helping round them up when it's time to put them in (i.e. - chasing them).

**Do the chickens have different personalities? Are they attached to the members of your family?** Yes - each of them has her own style 'Peepers, Molasses, Maple and Lola.'

The two that we raised from chicks are very friend-



Photos by Randi Kvam Hellman

Marjorie and Erik Hegstrom family.



ly and especially love the kids.

**Do you have a favorite recipe you would like to share?**

We love to make various hashes with sautéed or roasted veggies topped with eggs. The kids love egg in the nest: 1) Cut a hole in a piece of toast using a biscuit cutter or glass; 2) Save the circular piece of toast, top with butter and set aside; 3) Fill the hole with eggs (any style); 4) Serve with the "circle toast" on the side.

**Any web sites or resources you recommend for those who want to start?**

There is a great Facebook group called Twin Cities chickens. Also check out Eggplant Farm Supply in St Paul. They do a great Urban Chickens class and sell all the supplies you need to get started.



Ernie and Arthur and friends

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## Dan Dailey comes home to rest in Cedar Lake Park

By Michael Wilson

Friends, family, and fellow warriors gathered on Sunday, May 27, in the Grove at Cedar Lake Park to celebrate Dan Dailey and a life lived well and to the fullest. They also celebrated one of Dan's finest achievements: the establishment in 1995, working with many others, of Cedar Lake Park and trail.

Dan entered into eternal life on November 21, 2016, at his home in Texas. He was 68.

Dan moved with his wife and soul mate Holly Ramsey to Minneapolis in 1972 where they established The Five Owls, a quarterly review of children's literature aimed primarily at educators. People at the celebration laughed as they remembered Dan driving around in his convertible one December accompanied by a friend dressed as Santa, giving away the masses of children's books he had accumulated.

Nurturing nature was at the core of Dan's being, and in the early 1990s Dan threw his heart and soul into transforming the vast wasteland where the Cedar Lake railroad yards had stood for a century. The story of that remarkable effort is told well in Neil Trembley's excellent book, "Cedar Lake Park Association: A History," which can be read online at <cedarlakepark.org>.

Dan's sister Christy Schultz told Allie Shah of the StarTribune for an obituary posted on May 26 that Dan's community service projects were many and varied and were reflective of his empathetic nature. His latest passion was helping juveniles serving time in adult prisons for crimes they committed as youths. He moved to a ranch in West Texas in 2002, publishing a daily blog called Wandervogel Diary to highlight juvenile justice issues.

Dan is survived by his and Holly's son Henry in addition to his sister Christy and brother David. Several people at the celebration noted Dan's firm belief in reincarnation. As Dan's remains were returned to the earth near those of Holly, everyone took note of a bald eagle that wafted into view, floating on the soft breeze against a brilliant blue sky. Not a coincidence, everyone agreed.

### Pleasure and privilege.

I did not have the pleasure and privilege of knowing Dan Dailey, but as I stood on May 27 among so many people who did, I felt a surge of gratitude for not just the vision but also the persistence, skill, and hard work of Dan and so many others — George Puzak, Keith Prussing, Brian Willette, Neil Trembley, Al Singer, Jim Fagrelus, Dan Hastay, Jack Stanton, Genevieve Ryan, and Dorothy Childers, to name just a few — that have resulted in the creation and gift to posterity of this magnificent park and trail.

The work to create Cedar Lake Park occurred dur-



Caption and photo: Michael Wilson

Friends, family, and fellow warriors gathered on Sunday, May 27, in the Grove at Cedar Lake Park to celebrate the life of Dan Dailey, a leader of the remarkable group of people who fought in the 1990s to create Cedar Lake Park and trail. Dan died on November 21, 2016.

Dan Dailey (right center) stands with his son Henry and John Richter (second from left), a major Cedar Lake Park donor and fundraiser, and the indefatigable George Puzak (right) in this photo from the 1990s.

(Photo and caption: Meredith Montgomery.)



ing the 13 years when there was no freight traffic in the Kenilworth Corridor. Trains began running again in August 1998, and we've learned to live with their occasional passage. As I stood in the Grove on that peaceful Sunday morning, though, I was appalled once again at the despoliation that light rail commuter trains would wreak on Dan's — our — park, corridor, and trails. Birdsong and the rustle of leaves and grasses overpowered by the continual whoosh of trains, bells ringing as they approach and leave the Penn Avenue station. Dan was known to say, "Find something worthwhile to get

p\*\*\*\*\* off about, then work to make it go away." I wish he were with us today in the battle against SWLRT.

Contributions to honor Dan's memory and work can be made to the Nurture Nature Fund, c/o Cedar Lake Park Association, 314 Clifton Avenue, Suite 50, Minneapolis 55403.

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**Eastern Retaining Wall:** A small retaining wall should be constructed on the project's east property line to preserve the ash tree, jack pine, and other landscaping on the adjacent property at 3026 West Lake Street.

**Trees on Western Property Line:** The three mature trees on the southwest corner of the site (the linden, spruce and box elder) should be preserved; in addition, all other trees within 10 feet of the west property line should be preserved (all subject to a tree survey).

**Art:** Art on the site (the green chairs and the fish mobile) should be moved to the south side of Excelsior Boulevard on the front lawn of the Executive Center. (Stuart Ackerberg, owner of the art and the Executive Center, already plans to move this art, as proposed, before the project starts.) CIDNA supports new art in the west side yard.

**Magic Paks:** Louvers on the Magic Paks (which are individual heating and air conditioning units on the wall of each apartment unit) should be permanently directed to the side or away from adjacent neighbors pending technical study. (Magic Paks on the Trammell Crow building are loud for Loop residents. The Loop's Magic Paks point to the side away from its neighbors.)

The Land Use Committee will meet with Brickstone during the coming weeks. The Committee expects to recommend a final resolution to the CIDNA board before July 12. Comments should be sent to Bob Corrick at corrickcidna@gmail.com

**Bob Corrick is Chair of the CIDNA Land Use and Development Committee.**



Lake Calhoun shoreland perspective rendering of Brickstone 8-story proposal.

Source: Brickstone Partners and ESG Architects.

### Three-Day Cooling-Off Law for Contracts

Consumers enter into contracts for a variety of products and services. Some consumers mistakenly believe they have a legal right to cancel any contract within a three-day “cooling-off” period. Most contracts do not provide for a “cooling-off” period, however. Instead, the law gives people a legal right to cancel a contract within a “cooling-off” period only in certain specific situations.

One situation in which Minnesota law provides a “cooling-off” period is home solicitation sales. Minnesota’s Home Solicitation Sales Act (Three-Day Cooling-Off Law) applies to the sale, lease, or rental of goods or services primarily for personal or household use, and to improvements to real property—if the transaction is worth more than \$25 and occurs in your home or at a place other than the seller’s normal place of business (e.g., motels and convention centers). When a transaction is covered by this law, you have three business days to cancel the contract.

Under the law, you must send a written request to the address provided by the seller. It is a good idea to send cancellation requests by certified mail through the United States Postal Service and keep a copy of the request for your records. This will give you proof that your request was timely. After the contract is cancelled, the seller must refund your money within 10 days.

If the Three-Day Cooling-Off Law applies to a transaction, the seller is required to give you notice of your right to cancel in three different forms: an oral explanation; a receipt containing certain information about your right to cancel; and two copies of a completed “NOTICE OF CANCELLATION” form. Until all three forms of notice are provided properly, you have a continuing right to cancel the contract that extends beyond three business days. Once the seller provides notice properly, the three business days right to cancel begins to run.

The Three-Day Cooling-Off Law does not apply when you buy a vehicle. It also does not cover transactions for less than \$25, the sale of insurance or real estate, or sales conducted at a merchant’s normal place of business, like a retail store.

Other contracts which may allow a three-day cooling-off period include certain club memberships, reverse mortgages, residential roofing and siding contracts, and agricultural contracts. Other contracts that have various periods of time to cancel may include life insurance policies (10 days), hearing aids (45 days), extended car warranties, credit services, and membership travel. Other types of contracts and transactions may also be subject to a “cooling-off” period for cancellation. Some contracts may also be deemed void or their terms held inapplicable if you have been defrauded. If you have questions about whether a particular contract or transaction is subject to a “cooling-off” period or cancellation, you may wish to contact a private attorney to discuss your situation.

The Attorney General’s Office has a publication entitled “Contract Cooling-Off Periods” with more detailed information about cancellation periods. To request a copy of this publication or to file a complaint, you may contact the Minnesota Attorney General’s Office:

Office of Minnesota Attorney General Lori Swanson, 445 Minnesota Street, Suite 1400, St. Paul, MN 55101. (651) 296-3353 or (800) 657-3787  
TTY: (651) 297-7206 or (800) 366-4812

### Minneapolis declares June 2017 as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Pride Month

Minneapolis has approved a resolution declaring June 2017 as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Pride Month in Minneapolis. The declaration coincides with the LGBT Pride celebration, which is held annually in June and is the largest outdoor festival in the city. The City encourages residents and visitors to participate in the numerous activities celebrating Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Pride Month in the city and in the ongoing work of leading Minnesota toward full LGBT equality.

The 35W Bridge will be lit in red, orange, yellow, green, blue and purple June 23 and June 24.



### GRADUATION FINAL FINAL!!!

By James P. Lenfestey

I am lolling in the back yard at the corner of Girard and Lincoln looking up, admiring a Norway maple and a white oak leafed out into a sky of forest green. Some call them trees. I call them miracles.

Kinda like new high school graduates. Year after year their branches grew from thin sticks into lithe limbs. Year after year their roots dug deeper into the libraries of the soil for fundamentals. Year after year they learned to flex their bodies with the wind, make shade in the heat, and relax in winter to let the light fall on the rest of us.

And now, after marching down the aisle under a black mortarboard, or in a white dress, or under a funny hairdo dyed magenta, they have put out their largest armada yet of green leaves. Now they can make their own energy from sun and rain because of the chlorophyll skills taught them by nearly two decades of parenting and a dozen or more years under the noble canopy of teachers.

Susan and I just returned from the graduation of our granddaughter in Santa Fe, New Mexico under high blue skies. She is a wonder. Never mind beautiful, smart, so full of energy she jogged to meet us at our hotel for breakfast, she is funny and wise and eager,

another adult in the room. Soon she will travel and work for a year, then attend college, then earn her living and change the world for the better. We get to watch that deep green life unfold.

Next week we travel to Seattle for another graduation, this one of a grandson. He will dazzle us at the piano, solve complex math problems that have befuddled us for decades, and try to beat me on the tennis court (we’ll see about that one), before he flies off to college in the fall and transforms into that stage of life we call adulthood.

So the green leaves are fully out, sturdy against wind and pelting hail and hard rain. Their roots pull in water, our shared original home, and add the spice of soil minerals that build strong teeth and bones. Meanwhile, the sun pours radiant energy down upon them, which they convert to abundant kinetic and intellectual energy.

Who can be anything but amazed at these children? Who are no longer children, but fully leafed-out, eager to uproot and leave home. Eager to sail their own cottonwood seeds into the wind, send their own paper helicopters across the earth’s neighborhoods.

All we grandparents can do now is sit in the back yard, nursing early morning coffee on a day that promises to be warm, and look up at a sky filled with the splendor of fully leafed out trees. And sit down, exhausted and grateful.

### Pride Weekend is this weekend.

Plan to join friends and neighbors for a fabulous weekend of Pride activities.

June 23, 7-9 pm, Dancing with the Saints on the lawn at St. Mark’s Episcopal Cathedral.

June 24 at 8pm, Pride Dance at the Woman’s Club of Minneapolis, 410 Oak Grove Street.

Saturday, June 24th 10 am - 5 pm Loring Park Pride Festival

Stop in and visit the Saint Mark’s booth at the Loring Park Festival! If you would like to volunteer to staff the booth, please contact Matthew Brown at matthewb986@gmail.com.

Sunday, June 25th 11 am Pride Parade

Saint Mark’s will join other ECMN faith communities marching in the Pride Parade. This is a great chance to be a witness of God’s inclusive love to our neighbors. Show your Pride and get your tshirt before the parade-for sale in the parlor on Sunday. The bus leaves out parking lot at 10 am.

Please contact Dwayne Purrington at dwayne.purrington@gmail.com for more information and to let him know you are planning to ride the bus!!

Stop in and visit the Saint Mark’s booth at the Loring Park Festival!

4 pm Pride After Party/Festival Eucharist

Saint Mark’s will be hosting guests from throughout ECMN and our ecumenical friends for a festive Eucharist celebrating the rich diversity of the LGBTQ+ community. Guest homilist: The Reverend Emmy Kegler, Pastor of Grace Lutheran Church in Northeast Minneapolis

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## CELLO*ici* brings four marvelous cello recitals to our doorstep in July

By Michael Wilson

Cellists and lovers of the cello repertoire — and they are legion — have a real treat in store come mid-July: for the first time four of the faculty members of the Northfield-based International Cello Institute will each present a recital in the Twin Cities. Three of the four recitals will take place right next to our Hill and Lake neighborhoods, at Hennepin Avenue United Methodist Church.

The International Cello Institute (ICI) was founded in 2010 by cellist Anna Clift to connect young cellists from across the country and around the world with mentors and teachers from colleges, universities, orchestras, and chamber groups around the USA. During the three weeks of ICI on the beautiful St. Olaf College campus in Northfield, this year from July 15 to August 5, the 21 aspiring young cellists attend master classes, take private lessons, receive ensemble coaching sessions, attend inspiring faculty recitals, and perform in recitals throughout the camp.

The goal, Clift says, is to provide students with the luxury of plenty of practice time and space to experiment with new musical ideas, improve their technique, meet mentors, and forge lifelong relationships. ICI students are already serious musicians and are expected to bring to ICI camp two or three polished pieces or movements to perform in a master class setting.

Twin Cities cellist Laura Sewell — well-known to many Hill and Lake music lovers as a member of the Isles Ensemble — directs the ICI Junior Program for young cellists between the ages of 12 and 15, although this year, Sewell says, ICI has accepted a remarkably talented 11-year-old.

In the past Twin Cities cello enthusiasts have had to drive to Northfield to enjoy the rich menu of master classes and faculty recitals — and they still can. Minnesota Orchestra principal cello Anthony Ross, for example, conducts Master Classes on July 19, 21, and 31.

This year, though, ICI is also bringing the music directly to us in a four-recital program dubbed CELLO*ici*. The first three are on Wednesday, July 18; Wednesday, July 25; and Tuesday, July 31, all at Hennepin Avenue United Methodist Church at 7:30 pm. The fourth recital is on Friday, August 31, in Courtroom 317 at Landmark Center in St. Paul, at 7:30 pm.

### New associate principal cello in recital.

Of particular interest is the July 25th recital featuring Silver Ainomäe, the dynamic young Estonian-born, Finnish-raised young cellist recently appointed by the Minnesota Orchestra as associate principal cello. This will be our first chance to hear Ainomäe in recital, playing pieces by Debussy, Beethoven, Pärt, and Piazzolla.

Go to [celloanamericanexperience.com](http://celloanamericanexperience.com) for complete information on all events.

Full disclosure: I am one of those legions of cello enthusiasts. The summer before my last year in junior high school in Wisconsin the orchestra teacher called me to say they had no cellists for the coming year, and since I already took piano (and accordion) lessons would I be willing to take some lessons over the summer and learn to play the cello. I agreed, and although I cringe at the thought of how awful the cello section must have sounded, I fell in love with the cello.

ICI faculty member and Western Michigan University professor Bruce Uchimura says, “When you think about how a cello looks, it’s the closest of all the instruments to the human body. It’s a very personal instrument, encompassing both the male and female voice.”

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.”

Mark the four CELLO*ici* recitals on your calendar and come enjoy superb musicians playing that most marvelous of instruments — the cello.



### Trio at Sewells:

Prize-winning 17-year-old cellist Madeline Sheard (center) joins cellists Laura Sewell (left) and Anna Clift (right) and pianist Kerri LeJeune in David Popper's haunting "Requiem" at a Midsummer's Eve recital at the Cedar-Isles-Dean home of Laura Sewell's parents, Fred and Gloria Sewell, for friends and supporters of the International Cello Institute.

Photo and caption: Michael Wilson.



### Silver Ainomäe:

Recently-appointed Minnesota Orchestra associate principal cello Silver Ainomäe and ICI faculty member will give his first Twin Cities recital on July 25 as part of the CELLO*ici* series.



### Sewell + Clift:

Anna Clift (right), founder and director of the International Cello Institute, with Laura Sewell (left), Twin Cities chamber musician and director of the ICI Junior Division. Photos and caption: Michael Wilson.

**It's a flutter fest at Como Park Zoo & Conservatory, where the popular "Blooming Butterflies" exhibit will open this Friday, June 16th.** Hundreds of butterflies from Africa, Asia and the Americas will be flying freely in an indoor garden environment filled with tropical plants. Up to 400 butterflies will be released each week. Every day at noon guests are invited to pay \$1 to release their own personal butterfly. The free exhibit will be open every day from 10am to 6pm, through September 4.

Blooming Butterflies offers visitors a total immersion experience for the young and old. The 2,500 square foot greenhouse features a thriving butterfly habitat, that over the course of the summer will become home to over 100 species of butterflies from around the world. As many as 6,400 butterfly pupae (chrysalis) will be sent to Como throughout the summer. The chrysalis is unpacked, inspected for any sign of disease or parasitoids, then pinned to foam boards and placed into the emergence chamber. They emerge anywhere from two days to several weeks and then placed inside the exhibit.

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# Goats earn 'Clean Plate Club' honors whi

By Micha

## They came. They saw. They feasted.

The Minneapolis Park Board's first-ever foray into using goats to tackle the scourge of buckthorn, garlic mustard, and other woody and herbaceous invasives, conducted at East Cedar Lake Beach from May 30 to June 9, went extremely well, according to Park Board environmental stewardship officials. The scores of kids and adults who stopped to watch the goats at work would agree that the four-legged ruminants certainly earned membership in the Clean Plate Club.

The goats, perhaps predictably, developed such an appetite for the tasty Hidden Beach buckthorn that they completed the job four days ahead of schedule. This is *Kenwood* buckthorn, after all.

Our 4th District commissioner and Park Board president Anita Tabb is as delighted with the results as everyone else. "The Park Board is constantly looking at ways to reduce and eliminate buckthorn in our parks," Tabb tells Hill & Lake Press. "Its invasive nature chokes out native plants that feed wildlife and provide an abundance of plant diversity to our environment. In the past, we have manually and chemically treated it. The use of goats to remove buckthorn on this small project will give us some data on how effective this removal process is."

Tabb notes that another trial project using goats is planned this summer at Wirth Park. "Stayed tuned," she says, "to see how these projects impact our future methods of removing invasive species!"

Jeremy Barrick, assistant superintendent of environmental stewardship, and Debra Pilger, director of environmental management, report that the execution of the pilot project at East Cedar Lake Beach exceeded their expectations. The contractor did a great job, they state, and the goats were very efficient.

"We were impressed with how much vegetation the goats were able to clear in such a short period of time," Barrick and Pilger say. "The goats proved to require



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Before the goats.



After the goats.

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very little physical labor. Aside from setting up the site, there was very little physical effort needed.”

### Positive public support for project.

This project was a first-time effort for the City of Minneapolis, according to Pilger and Barrick, and there were many logistics that needed to be to be worked through with MPRB and City staff. Park police, 911, Minneapolis Animal Care and Control, and City of Minneapolis Zoning Administration were all involved, as there are ordinances regulating farm animals and fencing in the city. Working in Theodore Wirth Park on the second half of this pilot project involves coordination with the City of Golden Valley as well as with the City of Minneapolis.

“If we implement grazing projects in the future we hope the process is less effortful,” Barrick and Pilger state diplomatically.

Park Board staff report that public support for the project

was very positive and that there were many visitors to the site over the six days the goats were in residence. The contractor’s on-site Shepherd spent time educating the visitors and answering questions. There were, however, several minor incidents of park-goers unsuccessfully attempting to enter the fenced-in area.

So why did the goats leave early, disappointing many Hill and Lake neighborhood visitors who thought they still had four more days to watch the goats and take photos?

“The goats exceeded our expectations in the amount of vegetation they consumed and in the time they took to do it,” Pilger and Barrick explain. “They had eaten the buckthorn to the extent expected four days ahead of schedule. But there were also snails found in the area, which can possibly pass on a devastating parasite to

goats. The contractor monitored the situation closely and in an effort to reduce the risk of impacting the health of the goats and to avoid overgrazing native vegetation, we wrapped up the site early.”

Park Board staff will monitor the site to see how it responds to determine when another treatment will be necessary. With that assessment staff will compare the costs of goats to manual removal.

“Time will tell how effective this strategy is for long-term invasive species management,” Barrick and Pilger state. “We’re looking for the most efficient, effective and economical way possible.”

Go to <hillandlakepress.com> to read our coverage of the project in the May 2017 issue.



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## CEDAR ISLES DEAN NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

By Monica Smith

### BOARD MEETING MINUTES, June 14, 2017

The meeting was held at Jones-Harrison Residence. Board members in attendance: Secretary Rosanne Halloran, Lowell Berggren, Stephen Goltry, Stacia Goodman, Rich Heichert, Barbara Lunde, Jan Nielsen, James Reid, and Mike Wilson. Staff: Monica Smith

Rosanne Halloran called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

#### City Council Member Lisa Goodman, Ward 7

Lunch with Lisa is Wednesday, June 21 and will feature two field trips: Walker Sculpture Garden and Target Center renovation. Registration required; call 612-673-2207. Lunch with Lisa takes a break in July and August and will resume in September with a presentation about Peavey Plaza.

A front yard setback variance was approved for a single-family home at 2552 W Lake of the Isles Pkwy.

The county is holding household hazardous waste collection events throughout the summer. Go to [hennepin.us/collectionevents](http://hennepin.us/collectionevents) for dates and locations.

The state legislature prohibited cities from imposing plastic bag bans. Minneapolis is looking at options to discourage people from using plastic bags.

The Nicollet Mall construction is on time and on budget.

Minneapolis is one of three finalists to host the 2023 World Expo.

#### Announcements

Public hearings:

To amend regulations on live theater in industrial districts was June 12 at City Hall.

To amend yard setback requirements in nonresidential zoning districts on June 26, 4:30 p.m. in Room 317 at City Hall.

#### Land Use Committee

Consideration of the Brickstone resolution is delayed until the July 12 CIDNA Board meeting pending discussions with the developer about construction methods and plans to avoid damage to the neighbors. Go to the project website for more information: [cidna-landuse.wordpress.com](http://cidna-landuse.wordpress.com).

#### NRP/CPP Report, Claire Ruebeck and Monica Smith

The committee is working with the Park Board on revisions to Cedar Lake South Beach plans to ensure that the project is within budget.

CIDNA's funding sources were reviewed.

The CIDNA Board approved the committee's recommendation to provide a \$10,000 grant (from NRP Phase II housing strategy) to the Bridge for Youth for a transitional home for youth ages 18-21 in the East Isles neighborhood. East Isles, CARAG and ECCO are also providing grants to support the project.

The committee is recommending a plan modification to move \$2,157 from the NRP Phase II housing strategy to the Cedar Lake South Beach strategy to make funds available to pay the fee to the Minneapolis Parks Foundation for handling the anonymous donation. The board will vote on the plan modification at the July meeting.

The board approved \$200 to be used to provide

chairs at Park Siding Park and \$175 for a gift for Deb Bartels. Deb recently retired as a Project Manager for the Park Board; she worked on many projects in the Cedar-Isles-Dean neighborhood over the past several years.

Unspent funds from CIDNA's 2016 Community Participation Program (\$3,486) will be rolled over to the 2017 program for staff expenses.

#### The next gardening day at Park Siding Park is Saturday, June 24, 9:00-11:00 a.m.

Neighborhoods 2020: the current funding source for neighborhood organization is scheduled to expire in 2019. The City recently held community meetings to discuss the role of neighborhood organizations in 2020 and beyond. The feedback from the meetings is being compiled and will be reported to the Neighborhood and Community Engagement Commission and made public. CIDNA will continue to follow this issue.

#### Transportation Committee, Barbara Lunde

President Trump did not include Southwest LRT in his proposed budget.

The Counties Transit Improvement Board (CTIB) is dissolving. Hennepin County voted to increase the sales tax by a quarter cent to fund transit projects, effective October 1, 2017.

#### Midtown Greenway Coalition, Mike Wilson

The Greenway Glow is Saturday, July 29, 7:00 pm – Midnight.

#### Tour de Fat is Saturday, August 19.

A CIDNA resident may be interested in serving as CIDNA representative on the Greenway Coalition board.

The Midtown Greenway Coalition is working on continuing the Greenway across the Mississippi River and into St. Paul.

#### Community Connections Conference, Rosanne Halloran

The annual conference was held on April 1. The aim of the conference was to inspire collective action that influences positive change across the City's increasingly diverse neighborhoods and communities.

#### Officer Elections

Craig Westgate has resigned from the CIDNA Board. Special thanks to Craig for his years of service to the neighborhood.

The CIDNA Board voted to extend the term of the current officers, Secretary Rosanne Halloran and Treasurer Roger Klimek, until the July meeting. Elections for the four officer positions will be held at the July meeting.

#### New business

CIDNA will plan an outreach event for residents of Lakes Residence.

Jones-Harrison is considering hosting a garage sale event in September and may seek support from CIDNA.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

#### Next meeting

The next meeting is Wednesday, July 12, 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](mailto:info@cidna.org).

## LOWRY HILL NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

By Emily Beugen Secretary

### Board Meeting Minutes June 6, 2017 at the Kenwood Rec Center

Board Members present: Emily Beugen, Michael Cockson, Clint Conner, Toni D'Eramo, Jimmy Fogel, Sam Ellingson, Phil Hallaway, Sarah Janecek, Scott Shaffer, Evan Stern, and Lee Switzenberg

Others present: Lisa Goodman, Bob Hinck, Luther Krueger, Krishna Dorney

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM by President Phil Hallaway

Approval of Minutes: Michael Cockson moved and Sam Ellingson seconded that the minutes of the May 2, 2017 meeting be approved. The motion passed unanimously.

Michael Cockson moved and Clint Conner seconded that the minutes of the May 16, 2017 Annual Meeting be approved. The motion passed unanimously.

#### Report of Council Member Goodman

Lunch with Lisa is June 21. Choice of either a field trip to the Walker Art Center or Target Center Renovation. Call Council member Goodman's office if interested in either tour.

State legislature prohibited cities from imposing any ban on bag usage. Citizens are encouraged to bring their own bags. There are five free hazardous waste disposal events this summer. For more information visit [hennepin.us/collectionevents](http://hennepin.us/collectionevents).

The \$15/hour municipal wage ordinance is now being drafted. Phase-in period will be over 4 years for large business and longer for small businesses.

The current status of the proposed youth housing project at 1930 Hennepin was reviewed. Council member Goodman has met with Jim Graves, the owner of 1930 property and with the John and Denise Graves Foundation, who would fund the project. The property is currently commercially zoned C1. Building height of 4 stories or 56 feet is allowed, but can be higher with a conditional use permit. In order to fund this development the Graves Foundation will need a 9% tax credit from the city. These can be difficult to receive, especially on the initial request. Last year, there were eleven applicants and only one successful recipient. To date, the city has not received any application from the Graves Foundation for this tax credit. It is unlikely that the Foundation will have the finances to do anything this year. The Graves Foundation has stated that they will fund this youth housing facility for ten years, but the tax credit requires a 30 year funding requirement.

Board member D'Eramo expressed concerns that Hennepin Avenue businesses are using Colfax Avenue as their service entry and alleyway which is creating a negative impact and problems for residents on Colfax. Council member Goodman and the LHNA Board will be following this situation closely over the summer.

#### Luther Krueger (Minneapolis Police Crime Prevention Analyst)

Mr. Krueger reviewed the importance of block leaders in reducing crime in neighborhoods. He stated there is a profound drop in crime when neighborhoods achieve high block leader coverage. Block leaders volunteer to be the communication link between the block and the Minneapolis Police Department ("MPD"). Their main job is to communicate with neighbors to alert them of ongoing criminal activity, how to take preventive measures, and to encourage cooperation and vigilance among neighbors. Block leaders receive information via email about certain crimes that occur on or directly around their block, and what's happening proactively at the Fifth Precinct. Block leaders receive priority to attend these Minneapolis sponsored events:

- Rental Property Owner Workshop - Learn what landlords can and can't do in Minneapolis, and how homeowners, tenants and landlords can work together as neighbors.
- Community Emergency Response Team - Learn how to respond in a natural disaster. Also learn about search and rescue, fire safety, and

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Recruiting block leaders is done by residents, often with the help of Police Crime Prevention Specialists, either by word of mouth or by door-knocking. The tipping point for crime reduction is 80-90% coverage. Mr. Krueger will supply the Board with the latest block leadership map for Lowry Hill to help identify areas that need block leaders.

Election of Officers

Sarah Janecek moved and Jimmy Fogel seconded that the following individuals be elected Officers for the next term:

- President: Phil Hallaway
- Vice-President: Michael Cockson
- Treasurer: Toni D'Eramo
- Secretary: Emily Beugen

Appointment of Committees

The following individuals agreed to serve on the

LHNA committees:

Zoning & Planning: Clint Conner, Michael Cockson and Switzenberg

Crime & Safety: Lee Switzenberg

Events: Tom Huppert, Evan Stern

Neighborhood Priorities: Sarah Janecek, Craig Wilson

Communications: Toni D'Eramo, Chris Madden

Historical: Emily Beugen, Krishna Dorney

Environment - To be determined later

Committee Reports

Environment

Toni D'Eramo reported that the Annual Meeting was low waste. Thomas Lowry Park was having trouble with the irrigation system and getting water for the newly planted trees and plants, but the problem has been taken care of.

Zoning and Planning -

It was agreed that a community meeting regarding the 1930 Hennepin project was premature. However, the issue will be considered again in the fall, as new information is obtained. Mr. Hallaway stated

that in May he met with owners of Lowry Hill Liquor, Lowry Hill Meats, and The Burch building. These businesses were generally uninformed about the proposed youth housing development. Mr. Hallaway will continue to communicate with these owners regarding the project.

Mr. Hallaway stated that he and Jean Rottman of the Nolan Company, owners of the Burch building, discussed valet parking, truck deliveries and garbage removal issues on Colfax Avenue. Ms. Rottman wants the Nolan Company to maintain a good relationship with the neighborhood and will be glad to meet with the LHNA Board to discuss these issues and misunderstandings.

A variance request will be heard by the city on June 8 for an addition to 64 Groveland Terrace.

Events

• Annual Meeting - Generally positive, but some feedback that the presentations were too long.

• Lake of Isles Walking Tour - June 25 at 2 - 5 PM. Toni D'Eramo moved and Michael Cockson seconded a motion that LHNA provide a donation of \$500 to

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Lowry Hill Ice Cream Social!

Tuesday, July 11th at Thomas Lowry Park (Colfax & Douglas) 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

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- June 23rd – FREE Movie at Kenwood Park "Hidden Figures" (PG). Starts 15 minutes after sunset. Bring a lawn chair or blanket. Come early for a good spot.
- June 25th – LHNA Lake of the Isles Walking Tour – 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. Rain or shine. Meet at the bridge at the southeast corner of Lake of the Isles. Suggested charitable donation for Alliance Housing Inc., \$10/person or \$25/family. For every donation, LHNA will make a matching donation. See more tour detail [bit.ly/2tbH9WF](http://bit.ly/2tbH9WF).

Gardening Volunteers Wanted:

Dates: July 8th, August 12th, September 9th, October 14th

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 12 noon.

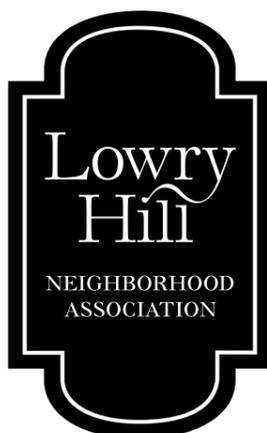
Details: Meet at Thomas Lowry Park.



LHNA Board Meetings

JULY & AUGUST: Summer hiatus, no meetings. See you in September!

Remember! Lock cars and bikes and leave all porch lights on.



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## LOWRY HILL NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Alliance Housing for hosting the Tour. The motion carried with Ms. Janecek dissenting.

- Ice Cream Social - July 11, 6:30 to 8:30 PM. Fogel and Huppert will be in charge of getting ice cream and root beer.

- Garage sale - Sept 9. Emily Beugen will work with East Isles on publicity and logistics.

- City council candidates' forum - Clint Conner moved and Scott Shaffer seconded that LHNA sponsor a candidates' forum to be moderated by the League of Women Voters and provide them a \$100 honorarium. The motion passed unanimously.

- Mr. Hallaway proposed that Ms. Beugen put on a home history workshop in the winter. This will be discussed in the fall.

### Neighbor Priorities

- Hennepin/Lyndale corridor - There has been a delay in the planting of Karl Foerster Grasses in the central medians, but work on the Douglas Median will be completed this summer.

Fremont and Mount Curve triangle - Craig Wilson submitted a written proposal to the Board for updating this triangular grassy area. Lowry Hill resident, Mark Addicks, has volunteered to lead an effort to replant the triangle with low maintenance vegetation. Wilson proposed that LHNA spend \$4000.00 on the plantings, and up to \$4,000 on an urn like the one being used on the Douglas Median. Following discussion of this proposal, Mr. Cockson moved and Sarah Janecek seconded a motion that LHNA spend up to an aggregate amount of \$4,000 on appropriate vegetation and an urn consistent with Minneapolis Park Board guidelines. The motion passed unanimously.

### Communications:

This month's ad in the Hill and Lake Press will promote the Walking Tour and the Ice Cream Social. New crime and safety links will be added to on the Lowry Hill website.

Ms. D'Eramo presented a proposal regarding the updating of the Lowry Hill digital communications and the website. Updated LHNA email newsletter is 90% completed. The LHNA web site will be redeveloped to make it easier to use and manage. The LHNA Facebook page will also be redeveloped. Work will be done in July and August, and launch by September. Ms. D'Eramo will donate her time at no cost, and use her business development team for hosting, graphics, and development work. Ms. D'Eramo stated that this work, using her donated time and development team, could be done for \$4,500. She provided an estimate of required person-hours based on her past experience and that the total amount checked out as being below market based on her person-hour estimate. She further stated that the total dollar amount is well below the normal cost of a project of this scope. Ms. Janecek moved and Jimmy Fogel seconded that \$4,500 be allocated to this project. The motion passed unanimously.

### Amendment of By-Laws and Articles of Incorporation

Clint Conner led a discussion regarding the mechanics of email voting by the Board when a meeting of the Board was not feasible. This would allow digital approval of a motion by simple majority of the Board, rather than a unanimous written approval. The specific language to be used for Article Four, Section 13 of the By-Laws would be: "Written Action. Any action that may be taken by the Board of Directors may be taken without a meeting by written action signed, or consented to by authenticated electronic communication (e.g., email), by the number of directors that would be required to take the same action at a meeting of the board at which all directors were present. All directors entitled to vote shall be notified of the proposed action's text and the date and time by which votes must be cast, which shall be no earlier than noon of the fifth day following the date of notice. So long as notice was provided through the same delivery method as prior communications to a director, lack of actual notice does not invalidate the written action." Mr. Cockson moved and Mr. Fogel seconded that Mr. Conner be authorized to make the appropriate changes to the By-Laws and

Articles of Incorporation in order to achieve digital approval of the Board based on a simple majority. The motion passed unanimously.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 9 PM.

### Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Lowry Hill Neighborhood Association ("LHNA")

May 16, 2017 at Temple Israel, Minneapolis

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 PM by President Phil Hallaway.

An introductory welcome was given by Rabbi Jennifer Hartman of Temple Israel.

Minneapolis council member Lisa Goodman who represents the Lowry Hill area spoke briefly and thanked the LHNA Board for their service to the community over the past year.

Mr. Hallaway, on behalf of LHNA, recognized long-time Lowry Hill resident Anita Tabb for her years of service to the community. She served on the LHNA Board and then served 8 years as 4th District Park Board Commissioner.

Guest speaker Olga Viso, Executive Director of the Walker Art Center, spoke about the newly renovated Walker Sculpture Garden which is scheduled to open in June. A large number of events are scheduled for the Walker over the summer.

Mr. Hallaway talked about the Neighborhood known as Lowry Hill and discussed its population of nearly 4,000 residents. He also provided an overview of LHNA, noting that it is dedicated to addressing issues affecting residents and businesses. It is a non-profit organization governed by a 15-member all volunteer Board, elected by the residents.

Rebecca Graham gave the Treasurer's report.

### Brief Committee reports followed:

**Crime and Safety** - Focus on crime prevention, recruiting block leaders and encouraging action from residents. Ninety-seven percent of crime in Lowry Hill is property crime and is predominantly theft. Lowry Hill is regarded as a low crime neighborhood. It was stressed that residents should not hesitate to call 911, even if they feel the situation might not be an emergency.

### Events - The following events are planned:

- June 25 - Lakes of the Isles walking tour of historic houses.

- July 11 - Ice cream social at Thomas Lowry Park.

- September 9 - Neighborhood garage sale in conjunction with East Isles Neighborhood.

- Thanksgiving - Pie, ice cream and coffee delivered to 5th precinct police and fire department as a thank you from LHNA.

- January 2018- Ice skating social at Lake of the Isles.

- Dates to be determined - Tour of Walker Sculpture Garden; Tour of Dunwoody Institute

**Zoning & Planning** - Clint Connor reviewed the activities of this committee, especially their frequent involvement in variance requests.

**Neighborhood Priorities** - Ms. Janecek spoke about funding of improvements to the Douglas Median. This included landscaping, an irrigation system, and benches. In addition, LHNA help fund the landscaping of several other areas of the Hennepin/Lyndale reconstruction. These improvements are expected to be completed this summer. Additional neighborhood projects will be discussed this fall.

**Environment** - Ms. D'Eramo and Ms. Beugen reviewed the areas of focus as being to preserve and safeguard the natural resources of Lowry Hill; and to encourage residents to reuse, recycle, and reuse.

Volunteer gardeners are needed at Thomas Lowry Park the 1st Saturday of the month, May to October. They also encouraged residents to take advantage of the city-wide organic recycling program and to take part in the Neighborhood Garage sale in September.

Ms. Beugen spoke about researching the history of one's home through various widely available resources.

**Communications** - Ms. D'Eramo discussed the organization's various methods of communicating with residents. These include a monthly email newsletter to residents, the LHNA website, monthly ads in The Hill and Lake Press, and through the Nextdoor website.

Mr. Hallaway thanked departing Board members Susie Galiano, Rebecca Graham, and Suzanne Shaff for their service to LHNA. He then presented the slate of candidates for election to the LHNA Board for the 2017-2018 term as follows:

Emily Beugen, Jennifer Bickett, Michael Cockson, Clint Connor, Samantha Ellingson, Baygan Hartzheim, Lee Switzenberg and Craig Wilson.

With no further nominations from the floor, Mr. Hallaway asked for a motion to approve the slate of candidates as Board members for the next term. Barry Lazarus moved and Mr. Fogel seconded the motion. The motion passed on a voice vote.

Upon motion duly made and seconded the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Susie Galiano, Esq. Secretary

## KENWOOD ISLES AREA ASSOCIATION

BY SHAWN SMITH

### June 2017 KIAA Meeting Minutes

KIAA Board met June 5th, 2017 at the Kenwood Recreation Center. Chair Jeanette Colby called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Directors - Elect present: Chair Jeanette Colby, Vice Chair Larry Moran, Treasurer Matt Spies, Jack Levi, Mike Bono, Angie Erdrich, Will Stensrud, Kyle Leier, Jeremy Nichols, Carl Goldstein, Secretary Shawn Smith. Absent: Mark Brown. Also present CM Lisa Goodman.

The Agenda was Approved Unanimously

### Highlights from the KIAA Annual Gathering

The KIAA Annual Gathering was held on Monday May 8th (rain date)

Total attendees were approximately 100.

The 2017-2018 board was elected, including 3 new board members (Kyle Leier, Jeremy Nichols, Carl Goldstein). Josine Peters stepped down, and we thank her for her service.

Speakers included Louise Erdrich regarding the renovation of the former Stephen Dean's Tailors space, and Deb Pilger from MPRB regarding goats at Hidden Beach. MetroBlooms and Hennepin County Recycling set up information tables.

### City Council Update - Lisa Goodman

Penn/Oliver Avenue reconstruction utility and roadwork is beginning. The work will be completed by early fall.

The Annual Lunch with Lisa Field Trip will happen June 21st at 11:45AM. You can choose from an Arts Tour of the Sculpture Garden, or a Hard Hat Tour of The Target Center Renovation. Please contact Lisa's office, as space is limited. The next Lunch with Lisa is in September and will cover the Peavey Plaza renovation.

The City will not be able to ban plastic bags from grocery stores as originally planned (due to state legislative pre-emption). The City is exploring other options and strategies to reduce the use of plastic bags.

Household hazardous waste events are occurring in June, July, and August. The city will recover or recycle paint, solvents, etc. for free. The next two are June 23-

24 at the Public Works Facility (3607 E 44th St), and July 28-29 at Jenny Lind Elementary (5025 Bryant Ave N)

There was an open discussion on plastic bags, organic composting, downtown crime

#### Election of Officers - All

The board elected officers for the 2017-2018 season, and welcomed three new directors. The new KIAA board was unanimously approved by vote; Chair: Shawn Smith. Vice-Chair: Larry Moran. Treasurer: Matt Spies. Secretary: Jack Levi.

#### Conflict of Interest Policy - All

The KIAA Board approved the KIAA Conflict of Interest Policy by email voting on April 26th, 2017.

Each board member signed the policy which is designed to 1) protect public trust in the integrity of the KIAA-decision making process and 2) to establish the procedures applicable to the identification and resolution of conflicts of interest in the context of transactions or arrangements entered into by KIAA where a member may have a financial interest in or fiduciary responsibility towards an entity with which KIAA is negotiating a transaction or arrangement.

#### Financial Report - Matt Spies

Matt reported that donations in 2017 were down more than 50% vs. 2016. This needs to be a focus for the upcoming fiscal year. Jeanette made a motion to approve reimbursements as noted on financial detail. Approved unanimously.

#### Oriole Feeding Installations/Prairie Restoration Project - Angie Erdrich

Angie requested reimbursement for \$192 to support the installation of the Oriole Feeding Station, to plant new plants in the prairie restoration area and food for the orioles. The plants are consistent with the strategy as they are part of the natural environment for the prairie and orioles. The funding was already approved at the April meeting and is under budget so was approved unanimously.

#### East Cedar Lake Beach Programming- Will Stensrud

Mark Brown and Will Stensrud planned the June 10th Family Beach Opener. ArtRageous is hosting activities for kids. Jeanette moved to approve \$300 for food and refreshments and not more than \$500. Approved unanimously.

There will be a Summer Solstice Celebration on Wednesday, June 21st. Artrageous is hosting the solstice party and it will be shared via social media.

Yoga is free to the public (hosted by KIAA) is held every Thursday at 7PM.

Open water swims start Monday June 19th. Participants must sign up with the Park Board.

#### Jim Gilroy Bench Dedication - Angie Erdrich

KIAA last year lost a beloved board member, Jim Gilroy. Thanks to the generosity of Kenwood residents, Jim's friends and family, a bench was purchased in his memory on the Lake of the Isles Walking Path, across from Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church. On Sunday, June 25th (1-5PM) there will be a dedication picnic. All are welcome to attend to celebrate his life.

#### Park Board Update - Mark Holtey

The Kenwood Rec Center will receive a Little Library this month.

There will be a Minnesota Zoomobile Presentation Friday June 23rd at the Kenwood Park Picnic area from 1-1:45PM.

Movies in the Park at Kenwood Part resumes Friday June 23rd 15 minutes after dusk. This month's showing will be Hidden Figures.

Chair Jeanette Colby adjourned the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

The next Kenwood Isles Area Association Board meeting is on Monday, July 10th, from 7:00-8:30 p.m. at the Kenwood Corner. Monthly meetings are held on the first calendar Monday of each month unless otherwise noted. KIAA invites and encourages participation by every resident to each program, service, and event organized by KIAA. Should you require an accommodation in order for you to fully participate, or if you require this document in a different format, please let us know by contacting us at kenwoodminneapolis.org

## Sand Upon the Waters

By Tom H. Cook

### Codger's Corner

Notes, observations, and subdued rants about aging without complaints about the metric system, young people, or liver spots.

There is no such thing as a free lunch. This universal truth was originally scrawled by Piltdown Man, unearthed at Olduvai Gorge, and attributed to Hammurabi. I remember it every time I receive a mailer to come for a free dinner and coincidentally hear about a wonderful investment opportunity. I suspect a conspiracy between my local pharmacist, AARP, and my subscription to a daily print newspaper. I have been profiled. They know the Internet for my crowd is unreliable, so it is a four color foldout in the U.S. mail. They may be selling funeral plots, bitcoins, eternal life through cryogenics, or space travel but

I rip up the brochures because they think I am an idiot. The glossy invitation invariably features the juicy steak and potatoes I could be enjoying next Tuesday evening. Am I living in a hovel eating cat food? If so I do not have the money to "secure my children's future". Granted I am a vegetarian, but a giant picture of the dinner is supposed to entice me to invite the little woman out for a high class evening of sophisticated conversation and haute cuisine. (Mother, put your teeth in we are going to motor off in our Olds Cutlass to sit in an overly air conditioned Days Inn in Temecula with 300 other rubes and learn the secret of biorhythmic investing).

Aging has made me more sympathetic to the Civil Rights Movement and the horrors of segregation. It is not that I have become wiser and more mature; I just need to go to the bathroom more urgently, unexpectedly, and frequently. What do a local hardware store, a Jiffy Lube, and a mom and pop grocery have in common? They each require pleading, cajoling, and groveling to allow a civilian to use their facilities. Often I am directed to a latrine too far and I need to clarify the importance of my request. It is then I imagine a sliver of what it must have been like to be black and the target of Jim Crow laws.

I am waiting for the day with impatience and dread when I care if a kid cuts across my lawn. Are the Woodstock going, free lovin', frisbee playing peaceniks I went to college with now sitting in folding chairs in

their front yards with a hose just waiting for a young miscreant to attempt a slingshot ollie over their azaleas?

The big reveal may never come. I guess this is a very sad one. Many classmates, co-workers, neighbors, and acquaintances have been born again or found inner peace thru Transactional Analysis, Krishna, EST, Scientology, Bikram yoga, Reflexology, or selling Amway. In my younger day well-meaning folks (mistakenly as it turns out) saw me as a seeker. They urged me to read, experience, and be in the moment. I grudgingly agreed to attend mind expanding, grounding, enlightening ceremonies, lectures, and services as long as there was no cost, I could keep my shoes on, and it didn't conflict with Hill Street Blues (Thursday at 9:00 PM).

My host would say, "Oh Tom, give it half a chance." Invariably that is what I give it. I am grateful, solicitous and genuinely interested on the way there. I have a natural curiosity and I am good at asking questions and making people feel comfortable. I tell myself not to be judgmental just let the experience wash over me. If I am not converted, be an anthropologist and don't poke holes. This is the gist of my self-talk.

I fail to disclose that I am very irreverent and the more somber the occasion the more likely my cynical black humor will emerge. I am responsible, but almost powerless over it. I have to look behind the curtain and see the wizard. Every time I forget that I see comic potential in serious situations. When my poop detector goes off, I will seek out an audience, a fellow infidel, and convulse them in wicked concealed laughter. Modesty aside, I am hysterically funny. My "true believer" sponsors are mortified and the ride home is excruciating despite taking place at great speed with the wife screaming "faster" through clenched teeth. There are no second dates. JoAnne (the editor) will not accompany me and when I return home she gives me a credulous look that says, didn't you know you would do this?" "I knew you would do this, you simply cannot control yourself!"

*Tom H. Cook has signed on at least long enough to see the current president living in a Winnebago with his fourth wife Candi, hawking Ginzu knives at the Minnesota State Fair.*

### The Bridge for Youth Welcomes New Program Director

Minn Dawn Davis has joined The Bridge for Youth as Program Director. Davis will be responsible for overseeing all Bridge programs, including the emergency shelter and transitional living programs.

She holds a master's degree in Organizational Leadership, and a bachelor of science in Business Management from the University of Northwestern - St. Paul, MN. Davis' outstanding work has been recognized with a President's Leadership Award from EMERGE (2011), 40 Under Forty Award; Minneapolis/St. Paul Business Journal (2007) and an Excellence in Management Award from Pillsbury United Communities.

Davis is passionate about working with organizations that are invested in providing holistic services to individuals; that seek to influence systems change, and that are responding to the unmet needs of families, youth, and children in our communities while also strengthening organizational and operational infrastructure.

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## LETTERS

Mike Wilson –

Thanks for the great coverage of the goat project. This has been one of my goals for several years and am just thrilled it is finally happening. I sure hope it does what I think it is supposed to do and can become a valuable option for the Park Board and cleaning up some of our invasive species messes in the system. You're the best.

Annie Young  
MPRB Commissioner



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### To the Editor:

Thanks to the two contributors to your April and May issues who wrote about the environmental impact of SWLRT. Both writers agree the Met Council's study shows this project will not result in any reduction in Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions. This is one unfortunate effect of the proposed route through low density areas: expected low ridership on the line, two-thirds of whom are people already taking transit. My takeaway is not about the size of the projected GHG increase but rather that a \$2 billion light rail transit project should meaningfully lower GHG. For those who feel it is urgent to act on climate change, that should be significant. Spending so much of our available tax revenue to build and operate this project, which received only a medium-low FTA rating on cost-efficiency, means less tax revenue available for more environmentally-beneficial transit projects that both writers – and I – care about.

Kathy Low, Kenwood

### Join us for a walk around Lake of the Isles to learn more about the history of Minneapolis and its parks.

Former history teacher Ben Olk, will share stories and details about stately houses around the lake. You'll hear about the people who designed, built and originally lived in them.

Sunday, June 25th, 2017 2:00 – 5:00 Rain or shine  
Meet at the bridge at the southeast corner of Lake of the Isles

\$10/person or \$25/family suggested donation  
This event is co-hosted by LHNA and Alliance. Donations will support Alliance's mission to support sustainable, affordable housing. LHNA will be doing a matching donation for each ticket sold.

Wear comfortable shoes and bring water for this approximately 3 mile walk. If there are questions, comments, or to sign up, email info@alliancehousinginc.org or benolk3@gmail.com

### Where we are Now

By Jean Deatrck, Editor

Hill and Lake Press continues to be a popular newspaper because we cover news that is important to our neighborhoods.

One year ago we celebrated 40 years of publication with a party that included old and new supporters of our newspaper. A great time was had by all!

It is always a challenge to find enough advertising to keep us in business. Printing costs have risen and we have to consider raising our ad rates unfortunately.

If you support Hill and Lake Press, please consider giving a donation. Because we operate on a break-even basis, even small amounts make a huge difference.

And thank you for your advertising, for your readership, and for your support.

We welcome letters to the editor and of course, articles, news, and photos.

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### Crime prevention tips for Spring/Summer (via MPD 5th Precinct)

Toni D'Eramo from Lowry Hill · 30 May  
From the Minneapolis 5th Precinct (posted by LHNA Communications Committee)  
Simple and easy crime prevention tips for Spring/Summer

As we go into spring, we all want to enjoy the warm weather. This means more people leaving windows open, walking outside, doing yard work, and more. Remember to keep a few simple crime prevention tips in mind to help reduce the opportunity for crimes.

Call 911 on suspicious activity at the time you see it! Seasonal Safety Tips Simple and easy crime prevention tips for Spring/Summer As we go into spring, we all want to enjoy the warm weather. This means more people leaving windows open, walking outside, doing yard work, and more. Remember to keep a few simple crime prevention tips in mind to help reduce the opportunity for crimes. · Call 911 on suspicious activity at the time you see it! · Install or activate a tracking program/app on your smart phone to find it in case it is lost or stolen. This must be done BEFORE the phone is stolen. · Install a security program on your laptop. This must be done BEFORE the laptop is stolen. Robberies: · Trust your instincts! If something feels off or wrong to you, there's a reason · Pay attention to your surroundings · Don't be distracted by your phone, as it can be stolen from your hand · It's important not to drink and drive, but it's also important not to walk while obviously intoxicated, especially if you are alone, it is dark, you walk for blocks, and if you aren't liable to notice if you are being followed. · More personal safety tips can be found under personal safety at <http://www.minneapolis.gov/police/crimeprevention/index.htm> · For pedestrian safety, visit the pedestrian section at [www.sharetheroadmn.org](http://www.sharetheroadmn.org) Burglaries: · Pin all

ground/first floor windows at 4-6". There are many ways to do this, depending on the type of window. For help/info, contact your CPS, visit a local hardware store, or see home security at <http://go.usa.gov/3ZjJG> · Lock your garage service doors. If you often forget to do this, consider upgrading to a keypad lock that automatically locks when it shuts. · Record the make, model and serial number of all your valuables. More info. · Lock your doors and windows even when you are home. As you start doing yard work/gardening, lock your doors to your home, especially on the opposite side of the house from where you are working. · Watch this video of a career burglar to find out what made him choose one house or block and not another. Theft from motor vehicle: · Do not leave valuables visible in your vehicle. This includes putting it under your seat or putting a blanket/jacket over it. · If you must leave valuables in your vehicle, put it in your trunk BEFORE reaching your destination · Bags should not be left visible. Even if you know they are empty or only hold dirty gym clothes, a thief could believe it's filled with money. · "Valuables" include GPS units, laptops, iPads, iPods, smart phones, wallets, purses, and more. If you spent money on it, someone can get money when they pawn it. Bike theft and safety · Record the make/model/serial number on your bike! This is very important! Most people do not have this information, and many bicycles that are recovered are sold at police auction every year. · Register your bike with Minneapolis for free. Call 311 or visit <http://go.usa.gov/3Zjh3> · Protect your bike with a lock that is difficult to compromise, like a u-lock. · Visit <http://go.usa.gov/3ZB7z> and [www.sharetheroadmn.org](http://www.sharetheroadmn.org) for more info. For more crime prevention tips, visit <http://go.usa.gov/3ZB7z>. To find ways to get involved, ask your Crime Prevention Specialist or check with your neighborhood association to learn about programs, events, and other opportunities near you. The full crime prevention staff contact map can be found at <http://go.usa.gov/3ZB7k>.

## Frog and Toad Ride Again

By Madeleine Lowry

For Mother's Day we saw the musical Frog and Toad at the Children's Theater. It was our third time seeing the production as a family.

The first was in 2002, when it made its debut at the Children's Theater, a nifty musical with a tiny cast based on the beloved Frog and Toad books by Arnold Nobel. Our children were three and almost five years old at the time. I can vividly remember their excitement. My son, the younger child, stood throughout the performance so as not to miss a thing. He had such a visceral connection to the characters that he sobbed when it was over and refused to leave to the theater. We had to purchase the soundtrack afterward to make life worth living for him. We listened to that soundtrack so often and for so many years that I still know almost all the songs by heart.

The conversion of those cherished stories of amphibian friendship to the stage was so clever, the music so catchy and the characters so bright and engaging that it was easy to see why our children were enchanted. Each short vignette was a window into a child's experience of the world: not being able to wait for things to happen, learning new skills with difficulty, and trying to be brave when you are afraid. In the characters of Frog and Toad, my children must have felt very well understood.

The cookie scene is a delight. "Eating cookies, eating cookies, we're so happy eating cookies. Cookies, cookies, cookies we adore!" sing Frog and Toad as they make a giant mess eating an entire batch of delectable chocolate chip cookies. My daughter gasped and covered her mouth with her hands—What a mess! My son clapped. A glorious mess! He could identify with that impulse toward gluttony and messiness and experience it vicariously through Frog and Toad.

The sledding scene is a marvelous example of being afraid to do something on your own, and then somehow conquering your fears when the going gets tough. "Don't be nervous, Toad," Frog reassures as they start sledding down a big hill. "I'll be behind you the whole time!" Toad gets tossed off silently when they hit a bump. Not realizing he's alone, Toad sings a little ditty about how much he's enjoying himself despite his fear. "My, that was inspiring, riding through the air. Though, I must admit to you, it gave me quite a scare! Why are you so quiet, Frog? (looks back) Oh, you're no longer there!" And then his bravery crumbles: "WHAAAAA!!! I have never been brave, I have never known how, and chances are slim I'm gonna start now. I'm a terrified toad on a runaway sled And soon I am going to be dead."

I recall my kids hugging each other out of fear when the story of the Large and Terrible Frog was recounted. It was the child equivalent of a thrilling ghost story, told by the now-grown Toad. "There is a frog, a large and terrible frog. He is terribly large and largely terrible," the Toad Mother and Father sing. "And he eats toad children for dessert," is the punch line. When young Toad is inexplicably left to face the monster alone he sings plaintively, "I have such ambitious dreams and wishes, and none of my plans include not growing up because I wound up being food."

Snail, entrusted with delivering a letter to Frog from Toad, which he does very s-l-o-w-l-y but surely, is a wonderful example of achieving your goals despite some mighty handicaps. He sings his winning refrain about his pride in his work at several points in the musical. "I'm carrying a letter, a most important letter, a letter Frog has written to Toad. I'd love to stay and chat, stick around and chew the fat, but duty calls, and I must hit the road."

Frog and Toad went on to New York where it had a successful off-Broadway run and a less successful time on Broadway, but was nominated for three Tony Awards. It returned to the Children's Theater in 2007. We saw it again when the kids were nine, seven and one. That time, no one cried or threatened to take up residence in the theater.

This year marked our third viewing. Our family had changed again. Our oldest was off at college. Our older son is now a senior in high school and was primarily concerned with leaving the theater swiftly so as to avoid being spotted by anyone who might know him. Our youngest, now eleven, was already too far into pre-teen hood to appreciate the sweet innocence of the plot.

Never mind. I enjoyed it. It was Mother's Day, after all, and even though the soundtrack hasn't been played in years, I can still hear all the songs clearly in my head.



Mark Holtey and Will Stensrud at the grill at East Cedar Beach

Photo by Jeanette Colby

## Official swim season opening

By Jeanette Colby

June 10th marked the first day of the official swim season in Minneapolis Parks with lifeguards out in force. It was a great day to be in the water — with the temperature hitting 96 degrees, the beach was the place to be!

The weather was perfect, too, for the family-friendly Opening Day Festival at East Cedar Beach, sponsored by the Kenwood Isles Area Association (KIAA).

Highlights included an art creation station and face painting, hula hooping, the Open Eye Figure Theater Driveway Tour puppet show, and plenty of hot dogs for everyone!

Superstar Recreation Center Director Mark Holtey led the efforts along with Amanda Vallone from Artrageous Adventures and the KIAA team: Will Stensrud, Mark Brown, Matt Spies, and Jeanette Colby.



Open Eye Theatre performing at East Cedar Beach.

Photo by Annika Gutzke

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