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## A winning vision for the riverfront

By Michelle LeGault

The largest design competition in Minneapolis history has finally come to a close. The jury cast their votes for the final time on February 10 and one team has been awarded a commission. The winning team, chosen out of the final four in the Minneapolis Riverfront Design Competition, is TLS/KVA based out of Berkeley, California. The team's lead designers are Tom Leader, Sheila Kennedy and Juan Franco Violich. The next step is a four-month transition phase during which they plan how to accomplish their design "Riverfirst."

Riverfirst will be the blueprint for rejuvenating a 5.5-mile stretch of riverfront that stretches from the Stone Arch Bridge to the northernmost limits of Minneapolis. TLS/KVA has envisioned this blank canvas along the Mississippi as functional park system with a focus on green-economy and mobility. Their design addresses four challenges of a 21st Century park: Water, health, mobility and green economy. These goals will be met while keeping in mind the key concept of "confluence," said Leader, one of the principal designers. Confluence is the concept of things joining together and mingling. It is a working metaphor for how this redesign of the riverfront will reconnect Minneapolis residents to the Mississippi.

TLS/KVA's design priorities include: Restoring Farview Park, the city's historic high point, as a focal point of the river; repurposing existing assets, such as old silos and domes; and developing a marketing campaign that



Riverfront continued on page 7 Aerial view from the south of new riverfront design.

## Making leadership count

By Sue Quist

One of our own, David Branch, Lucy Craft Laney School Principal and a Folwell Neighborhood resident, was the recipient of the Minnesota Elementary School Principals' Association (MESPA) 2011 Division Leadership Award. David Branch is a life-long resident of North Minneapolis, growing up in the Willard-Hay neighborhood and graduating from North Community High School.



David Branch.

Principal Branch was awarded the honor at the MESPA's 56th Institute Annual Statewide Convention, held at the Sheraton Bloomington Hotel on February 10. MESPA is dedicated to promoting and improving education for our children by strengthening the role of educational leadership. The MESPA Division Leadership Achievement Award recognizes principals "whose exemplary leadership and sustained efforts have made noteworthy contributions to the operation of effective school learning programs" especially by, "improving education, their communities, and their profession." Principal Branch was nominated by Joan Franks, principal at Armatage Montessori School in the Minneapolis Public School District and was selected to receive the award by a group of his peers. In her nomination Franks stated, "David has done an exceptional job of leading the Minneapolis Principal's Forum through some difficult times including the transition of a new superintendent, negotiations, and new policies and procedures that have directly impacted the role and responsibilities of principals. He is deep thinking, articulate and fair in his assessment of the work we do...on a more personal level, David is humorous, approachable and a great advocate for his school as well as the Minneapolis Public Schools." Fred Storti, MESPA Executive Director, stated that award recipients, "are leaders in our profession and truly represent the very best in Minnesota Public Schools."

Principal David Branch was recognized for three major career accomplishments, including his work as the principal at Anne Sullivan Communication Center, principal at Lucy Craft Laney and president of

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## Dealing with the dealing of drugs

### How to spot a dealer and what to do about it

By Crime Prevention Specialist Tim Hammett

Street level drug dealing isn't always tied to a specific address or street corner. Dealing can also take place in the street from vehicle to vehicle. In this case, the dealer and customer will agree to rendezvous at a specific location, make their transaction and move on. This type of drug dealing poses special challenges to law enforcement. The transience of the participants, and the fleeting nature of the transaction, make surveillance and evidence gathering particularly challenging.

Residents often become aware of mobile drug dealing when they notice unusual traffic patterns or behavior by motorists in their neighborhood. Many times, a buyer or seller will be parked by the side of the street, while the other party to the transaction drives up. In some cases they'll conduct the transaction right there from car to car. Other times they may drive off together and re-rendezvous a block or two away to finish the deal. Sometimes a dealer will sit in his vehicle in the same spot for an extended period of time to conduct business with several customers before he moves on, but more often than not he'll meet up with one customer as described above and then move on. If it's a convenient location he may come back an hour or so later to meet up with another customer. It's the sporadic presence of the participants that make it so difficult for law enforcement to address.

Whether you actually see a transaction or not, if you notice many different one on one rendezvous at a particular location, there's a chance that dealing might be occurring. If you notice the same vehicle making contact with many different vehicles in a location, that's an even stronger indicator that some-

thing fishy is afoot. Of course, not all vehicle rendezvous are suspicious. There are many legitimate reasons for people to meet each other in their cars, but none the less, if you notice a pattern involving many different people developing in an area, it may be an indicator of dealing.

If you suspect that this is happening on your block, the Minneapolis Police Department (MPD) suggests that you take the following steps:

- Call 911 whenever you notice suspicious activity. This is probably the single most important thing you can do. Even though the deal only lasts for a few seconds, and the perpetrator will probably be gone before a squad can arrive, it's still important to make the call. When you call be sure to give the operator as much detailed information as you can, including descriptions of the vehicles involved, (make, model, color and license plate if you know them), descriptions of individuals if you can see them, and a description of the activity. If they leave before you're finished with the call, give the operator their direction of travel. The suspect information will then be broadcast to all the squads in the precinct. If a patrol car comes across the suspect vehicle later in the day the officers can still pull the car over, question the driver, and in some cases search the vehicle. So, even though the suspect may be long gone from your location, he may still get caught.

It's also important to note that you don't have to be 100 percent sure that that's what's going on. Just the suspicion is enough. The rule of thumb is this: If you're asking yourself whether or not you should call 911, you should call 911.

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- Talk to your neighbors. If you're noticing this activity, your neighbors probably are too. Encourage them to call 911 and the CRT Unit as well. They may have a different perspective than you and notice other details or patterns that you've missed. The more people who call, and the more information that the police have, the better they can do their job. Organizing your neighbors around a coordinated action plan can also help. Work with your neighbors to re-claim the space as yours. A strong community presence during the times when activity is most likely to occur can be a deterrent.
- Talk to your MPD Crime Prevention Specialist (CPS). Your area's CPS can also help. Your CPS can help you organize your neighbors around this issue, assess the area to see if there are any environmental factors that contribute to the problem, meet with your block club to discuss effective reporting and use of 911, maintain contact with the different investigative and enforcement units of the MPD, and brainstorm other creative solutions to the problem. Changes in traffic controls, parking regulations, signage, and other things may be appropriate, depending on the circumstances. Your CPS can help you assess the situation and recommend specific actions.

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# Letters to the Editor



## Ditto on Camden Pet Hospital

I would like to add my story about Camden Pet Hospital's great staff and compassion to go along with the letter in the February *Camden News*. I also had to let my 17-year-old cat, Dakota, go. Like that letter writer, my experience was also made much easier because of the Camden Pet staff. I first went to consult them about making my decision. The second I walked in the receptionist (who I'd dealt with on many occasions) immediately saw I was in distress. She jumped up and brought me into a room and spent about one-half hour consoling me and really helping me with my tough decision.

The next day I called and told her I needed to come in — and she said to come right in. When I got there she had the room ready. During the whole process, all three of the staff ladies came in and were so nice and reassured me my choice was the right one. When the vet came in for the final stage she was so gentle and kind to my cat. And like the letter writer, I also heard the vet still talking to Dakota as she was taking him out of the room. This really touched me and made it that much easier. I've been going to Camden Pet Hospital for almost 30 years and have always gotten great care from them. I highly recommend them to everyone I talk to.  
*Kathy Cooke,  
Lind Bohanon*



## A time to be grateful

"Today is the first day of the rest of our lives!" And today I'm so grateful that state budget cuts to important programs for disabled people will not be cut! I spoke with my senator, Linda Higgins, on February 8 at the state capitol AARM day rally and she supported no budget cuts, specifically for disabled people. And thanks to my representative Joe Mullery for his support to continue funding services for disabled people, and crime and safety.

I'm also inspired by the relatively peaceful and successful 18-day revolution in Egypt. With that amount of energy and people power, I'm hopeful that most people (here in Minneapolis and the world), have been inspired to step forward, write, and/or speak out and make their voices heard. We need to let our elected officials, know our values, beliefs and desires on issues that are important to us. The lives we live starts with us. Let your family and friends know, including those outside of our Camden neighborhoods, that this revolution was not only for Egypt, it was for all of us. May this be the time that we can truly see peace on earth - equality and justice for all humanity!

*Deb Abendroth,  
Cleveland*



## Iced gas meters can be dangerous

It's been a terrible winter for homeowners' roofs and gutters! We woke up one Sunday morning in February with water dripping on our feet from the light fixture in the ceiling. Nothing like that has happened to us since 30 years ago and two new roofing jobs later. I had to get into the attic to see how the water got in, and indeed the attic floor, walls and roof were very wet near the roof valleys over the front bedroom dormer.

Our homeowners' insurance agent referred us to Keith Peterson, field manager for Creation Builders. Keith and Gary, his employer, came out to examine the problem, and we made arrangements to rake away the excess snow and steam off the ice dams from the eaves.

On that first meeting, Gary pointed out to me something I didn't even realize was a problem: My gas meter was all iced over. Ice was not just covering the eaves, and it could be dangerous! The valve letting gas into the house has a vent that must not get clogged by snow or ice. It has to be able to breathe air in and let gas out, in order to work safely.

Then I called Centerpoint Energy (612-321-5200) to see if that is true. The dispatcher set an appointment the next morning for a technical person to come to our place to examine the gas inlet and meter. Indeed it was practically all covered with ice and a serious safety threat, just as Gary had warned. The Centerpoint man informed me that it's the owner's responsibility to keep ice and snow at least a foot away in all directions.

Why? Because that gas valve on the outside of the house is our first line of defense against letting the full street pressure of gas into our house. If it fails outside the house, then our furnace and other gas appliances have to do the job and reduce the pressure to a safe level for homes. If both the inlet gas valve and furnace fail to reduce the street pressure of gas, then we are really in danger.

Consequently, I learned that not only ice dams on the eaves are bad news for houses, but ice dams can cause a lot of serious problems for us. It's wise to be aware, keep our eyes open and call for help before the ice gets out of hand.

*John Bispala,  
Webber-Camden*

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the Minneapolis Principal's Forum. While at Anne Sullivan he worked collaboratively with veteran teachers to implement Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS) and also the Teacher Advancement Program for improving teaching and learning, thus helping to move the school forward with effective and sustainable reforms.

In May 2007, David was offered the opportunity to lead Lucy Craft Laney through major educational reforms as a part of the Northside Initiative. Among the successes at Lucy Craft Laney is an increase in parent involvement resulting in an active PTO and site leadership council, and the addition of the Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) program, a program that has made significant changes in the school culture by intentionally embedding an African American Male Initiative model. Principal Branch states that, "We have gone from a school where many teachers choose not to work because of the challenges we face, to a school that attracts teachers who want to make a difference in the lives of our students and families." David is currently the President of the Minneapolis Principal's Forum and is the MESPA representative on the statewide Minnesota School of Excellence Committee.

As the principal at Lucy Craft Laney School, David Branch is the "buck stops here" person for delivering its mission. The Lucy Craft Laney mission is: to deliver young minds embracing learning, with a vision of creating; a community that values its children and their quality of life; through the values of; commitment, cooperation, respect compassion, hope and trustworthiness. It looks like they have just the person to lead them. Congratulations David Branch. You make your school, community and family proud.



*Award-winning Lucy Craft Laney School Principal David Branch with his family.*

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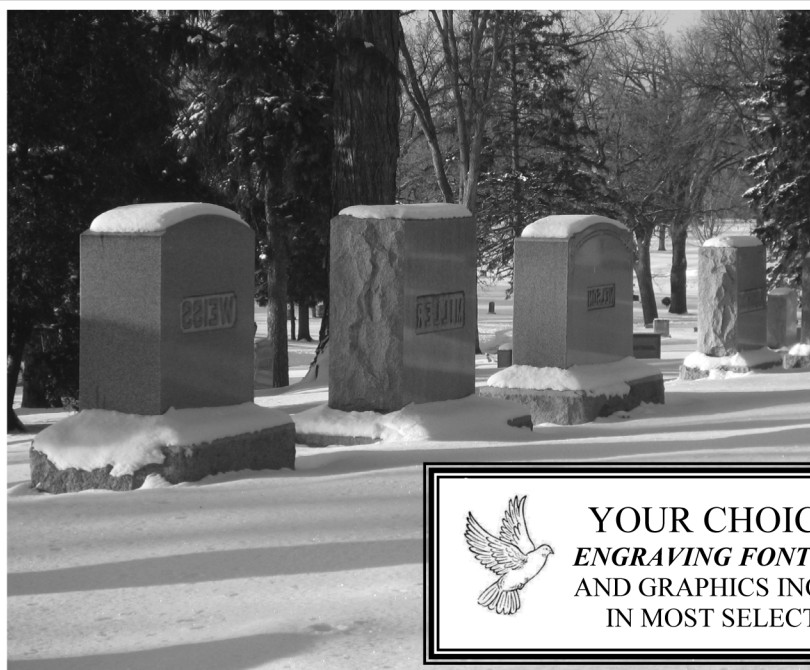
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The purpose of the survey is to identify unknown historic properties; recommend properties for further study; make informed decisions about the significance and protection of historic resources; and develop goals and strategies for preservation as well as neighborhood planning. Tell the City what's historical in Camden by completing an online survey at [www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/hpc/](http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/hpc/).

The City was first surveyed for historic resources in the 1970s and many of today's designated landmarks and historic districts are a result of the original survey. Since 2001 CPED has conducted a re-survey of historic resources in Minneapolis that has been funded by grants from the Minnesota Historical Society and matched by City dollars. The City has undertaken the re-survey because the aging of properties, changing attitudes about which types of historic resources need to be identified, e.g. historic landscapes, cultural and ethnic group resources. The survey will help achieve the City's goal of documenting historic resources throughout the entire city over a 10-year period, which is scheduled for completion in 2011. Go to the above website and have your say about Camden history.

## Make a difference for seniors

Lutheran Social Service of MN Senior Companion Program is looking for volunteers to help seniors remain in their homes in the Minneapolis and greater Minneapolis area.

Are you interested in visiting homebound or isolated elders in their homes and helping with transportation for appointments or errands? If so, the Senior Companion Program would like to match you with people in the community who need a little extra help to stay in their homes. Senior Companion volunteers earn a tax-free stipend, mileage reimbursement, training and liability insurance while serving. Volunteers must be 55 or older and serve 15 hours a week. For info contact Kate Neuhaus at 651-310-9447 or [kate.neuhaus@lssmn.org](mailto:kate.neuhaus@lssmn.org).

## Tell your story

Children love stories. And adults who've lived a long life have many stories to tell – stories from their personal experience, or stories they've heard from others. Minneapolis Community Education's Intergenerational Volunteer Program wants to connect children with older storytellers through a new project called Through the Eyes of Experience: Intergenerational Storytelling. The goal is to recruit a diverse group of adults 50 and over who are willing to tell stories to elementary-aged students in selected Minneapolis public schools. Both experienced and new storytellers are encouraged to apply. Anyone interested must complete an application. Those who are selected to participate in the project must attend a training session offered by Wonder Weavers Storytellers on Tuesday, March 29. For more info and an application call 612-668-3885.

## Improving our water quality

The West Broadway Business and Area Coalition received a grant to address water quality issues through the Mississippi Watershed Management Organization Stewardship Fund Program. The West Broadway Business and Area Coalition will use the grant as part of an overall project to educate citizens and business owners about how to decrease negative impacts to the Mississippi River, assist business and property owners to make physical improvements to reduce harmful impacts to water quality, and build capacity among local contractors and citizens to provide services to make these improvements.

In Minneapolis and other urbanized areas, much of the land surface is covered by buildings and pavement which does not allow rain and snowmelt to soak into the ground. Instead, storm drains carry large amounts of this stormwater runoff directly to the Mississippi River. Along the way, the runoff picks up pollutants and discharges them into the river.

How we care for our yards, wash and maintain our cars, and even dispose of pet waste can contribute to water pollution in the Mississippi River. The Mississippi River is a major source of drinking water for Minneapolis as well as for other places throughout the country. There are many choices we can make to reduce these harmful impacts to river wildlife and city water supplies.

The West Broadway Business and Area Coalition will use the grant to create a Watershed Management Master Plan for the West Broadway area. This plan will map the watershed drainage patterns, locate areas in which infrastructure improvements could improve the quality of water entering the Mississippi River and develop goals and an implementation plan to achieve the desired outcomes. Check out [erin@westbroadway.org](mailto:erin@westbroadway.org) or [www.mwmo.org/stewardshipfund.html](http://www.mwmo.org/stewardshipfund.html).

## Help your teen build sound financial skills

By Nilvia Brinkley

For most teenagers, spending money seems to come naturally. But that doesn't mean they know how to manage it. In fact, the JumpStart Coalition for Personal Financial Literacy recently found that only 10 percent of 12th graders could satisfactorily answer questions about personal finance. Some couldn't balance a checkbook. Yet many high school students have, and regularly use, credit cards – with little or no understanding of how interest rates, skipped payments or continual high balances can impact a person's financial future. So whether you've already begun the process of instilling sound money management in your teen or you're searching for ways to begin, you may find the following tips helpful.

**Lead by example.** Take a look in the mirror. If, for instance, you budget effectively, invest wisely, pay down debt and donate to charity, most likely your children will learn by example. Financial responsibility is one area where a parent's actions definitely speak louder than words.

**Talk about money management.** As soon as your children begin to earn money, it is important that they think about how to manage the income. A budget may seem annoying and a little extreme – but a basic plan may set the tone for jumpstarting your teen's financial future while still leaving money left to buy the things that will help him or her enjoy today. Your teenager's desire for a new video game, phone, computer or car can work to your advantage.

At this stage, you can begin to have periodic family financial discussions. This doesn't necessarily mean that your teenager needs to know your total income or the amount of your home mortgage. But you can certainly begin to familiarize your teenager with the family budget, financial challenges you may be facing, some of the family's longer-term goals and priorities, and perhaps how he or she can help you make progress toward these goals.

**Encourage your child to start saving early.** Even if in the beginning your teenager is more into buying new clothes for the school dance rather than putting away money for medical school, saving as early as possible for whatever the goal may be is key. And no matter the size of the paycheck, help your child recognize the importance of always saving a portion of what she earns. Practicing good savings habits early can result in developing wise money management skills that can last a lifetime. Your financial advisor

can advise you and your teen on a variety of investment accounts designed for saving money: savings accounts, Certificates of Deposit (CDs), mutual funds and money market accounts are just some of the options.

**Stress the importance of establishing responsible credit.** There are several ways for a teenager to establish responsible credit – by opening a checking account, using their savings to secure a loan or getting a secured credit card. If your older teen (or college-bound student) wants a credit card, you might seize the opportunity to have a serious talk or two about spending. In general, teens with credit cards are less price-conscious and often spend more than they should. While credit cards are a very common and popular way to help a teenager establish a credit history, when misused the cards can also cost a lot of money. Paying credit card bills late, not paying off balances in full each month and incurring late payment fees are shortcuts for teens getting in over their heads.

**Explain credit scores.** Make sure your teenager understands that once anyone has created a bad credit history, it can take a long time to recover. A bad credit score can keep your teen from getting a job after college or a mortgage on a home. In all fairness, your teenage son or daughter may not even know what a credit score is. Simply put, a credit score is a snapshot of a person's credit risk at a particular point in his or her credit history. The score helps a lender determine how likely you are to repay your debt on time. For teens with no credit history, no score can be computed.

You can help your teenager understand that one of the keys to qualifying for the loan he or she will want someday at a competitive rate is a strong credit score. Even beyond being a key indicator of whether or not an applicant can qualify for a mortgage or line of credit, credit scores are used in other ways that affect people's lives. For instance, it's been reported in the *Wall Street Journal* that one in six companies use credit scores before extending a job offer.

Ask your financial advisor for information for tips and suggestions to help your children build sound financial skills.

*Note: Nilvia Brinkley is a Financial Advisor with Wells Fargo Advisors and Camden resident.*

## You can send a message to substandard landlords

The City of Minneapolis has a website aimed at sending a message to rental property owners who don't follow rental licensing standards. The site posts the names of property owners who have had their rental licenses revoked, properties condemned or demolished, and those who have been ruled ineligible to hold a rental license for five years.

Since 2005 the City's Regulatory Services department has changed more than two dozen ordinances to strengthen rental licensing and property ownership standards to protect tenants from problem landlords. Because of these changes, the City has increased the number of rental licenses it has revoked by more than 500 percent for owners who have violated one or more rental license standards. The new website will list these landlords as well as those who are ineligible to hold a rental license for five years because two or more rental licenses have been revoked or cancelled due to property condemnation.

The website also posts lists of condemned, vacant and demolished buildings. Condemnation of problem properties is based on substandard building conditions. Properties condemned for substandard conditions have the rental license automatically cancelled, which is equivalent to a revocation. After a property is condemned, it must be repaired and pass code compliance inspection in order to be reoccupied. Vacant buildings in our neighborhoods are managed by City staff and property owners to either restore buildings to livable conditions or demolish them. Demolitions are a part of the City's strategy to remove the most egregious blighted properties that present life safety concerns. The City uses authority under the Chapter 249 Ordinance to demolish substandard properties.

The City continues to find ways to increase enforcement of those who own substandard properties and consume city resources. In response to these owners the City of Minneapolis has recently launched a tiered approach for inspection of rental properties based on severity and history of code compliance. Rental properties will be placed into three categories - 1, 2 & 3 - which will be based on a scoring system to determine the inspection cycle. The properties that require more city resources based on the history of property will be placed in Category 3 and will receive an annual inspection. Marginal properties will be placed on a two to five year cycle and properties with proactive management will be rewarded and placed on a longer inspection cycle.

Info at <http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/inspections/accountable.asp>.

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# Notable Neighbors

The Camden Community has a lot to celebrate with all its great college students. Congratulations to all the following bright and promising Camden students: **Elizabeth Hale**, daughter of Terry and Jana Hale, graduated from Bethel University, BA, Sociocultural Studies. St. Cloud State University graduates include **Derek Haller**, Bachelor of Science, Accounting, Cum Laude; **Amber Manders**, Bachelor of Science, Community Psychology, Cum Laude; **Matthew Nienstedt**, Master of Science, Regulatory Affairs and Services, and **Nicole Rasmussen**, Master of Science, Educational Administration and Leadership. **Rhoda Salah** graduated from the University of Minnesota, Crookston in Health Management BS. Minnesota State University Mankato graduates **Ashley M. Brown**, BS, Psychology; and **Leekplay Paye**, BS, Corrections. **Luke Anderson**, BA, got his mass communications degree from the University of MN. **Caroledith Olson** graduated from the Arts Institutes International with a Bachelor of Fine Arts, Photography, with honors.

And kudos to all the brainiacs in Camden: Wisconsin-Eau Claire, Kirkwood Community College Dean's List includes **Benjamin Henzgen**. University of Minnesota Twin Cities Dean's List includes **Emmanuel Abu**, **Michelle Cunningham**, **Chloe Erickson**, **Kurt Nelson** and **Jacob Wehyee**. **Tekla Grotber** made the Dean's List at Bemidji State University. **Brandon Nelson** was named to the Dean's List at Hamline University.

Art Institute International honorees include **Michael Fangman**. Minnesota State University Mankato Dean's List include **Ashley Brown** and **Leekplay Paye**. St. Cloud State University Dean's List includes **Amber Marie Manders** and **Tiara Marie Stevenson**. And Minnesota State honors **Wesley Anderson** and **Mariah Jacox**.

## Camden Winterfest sizzles!

By Amy Luesebrink

It may have been an overcast day, but the weather and the crowd of over two-hundred chili tasting connoisseurs and snowball-launching fanatics was perfect! This year's event had five chili contestants that heated things up at the Bohanon Park warming house, while ice skaters of all ages and experience strapped on skates provided by Janet Marvin and the Herb Brooks Foundation. Snow shoeing and pinecone birdfeeder making, and all the Bohanon Park preparation was provided by Jason Green and his MPRB and Creekview Park crew. Sandi McDonald's blue and red snowcones were irresistible. YouthCARE brought their youth broomball match to our event and enjoyed roasting marshmallows and hotdogs and enjoying the magic of Camden Winterfest.



The five chili contestants were competing against last years Camden Winterfest Golden Ladle winner Kim Caprini. She entered the contest again this year with a revised version of her "Color Me Chili" 2010 winning recipe. The judges sizzled while sampling Robert Elders "Pumpkin Black Bean Chili," Susan Spiller's "Susan's Awesome Chili," Brock Hanson's "Brock's Buffalo Chili," Stephani Sake's "Steph's Chili," Kevin Moberg's "MoQev's Chili" and Kim Caprini's "Color Me Chili" 2011.

This year the Camden Winterfest Golden Ladle winning chili again was Kim Caprini's "Color Me Chili". It will be featured at 42nd Avenue Station at 42nd and Lyndale Aves N on March 19 and April 19! Be sure to stop by and taste test for yourself why this year's chili winner was chosen! To see photos and recipes of this year's event and all the great folks who made this such a great event go to [www.lindbohanon.org](http://www.lindbohanon.org).



## Fourth Ward Report

**Council Member Barbara A. Johnson**  
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### Energy assistance is available

The Minnesota Department of Commerce recently announced that an additional \$7 million in Home Energy Assistance Funds has been made available to income eligible residents throughout Minnesota. As helpful as these funds are, they are limited so will likely be depleted quite quickly. The funds are distributed on a first-come, first-serve basis, so it's extremely important to apply for them as quickly as possible. To qualify for energy assistance, homeowners must meet eligibility guidelines. Homeowners eligible for Energy Assistance are also eligible for emergency repairs or replacement of a non-repairable furnace. For more information call State Energy Assistance Information at 1-800-657-3710 to be directed to a local assistance office. Visit <http://www.centerpointenergy.com/services/naturalgas/residential/paymentoptions/paymentassistance/MN/> for more information about payment assistance.

### Potholes

There are up to three different road crews out each day placing temporary "cold patches" to potholes throughout town. They make temporary patches during the winter months so roads will be more drivable until permanent patches can be made during the regular road construction season. Also, since these are the same crews that do snow removal on city streets, their work is prioritized according to the weather and the biggest needs at a given time.

Since the start of January:

- More than 5,000 truckloads of snow have been removed from City streets. That's in addition to the regular plowing efforts by

### Public Works.

- More than 200 tons of temporary asphalt mix, or cold patch, has been used to fix potholes.
- About 16,000 of the 20,000 corners in the City have been cleared of snow piles left after plowing. Generally, street crews work Monday through Friday in two shifts: one daytime and one overnight, when traffic is lighter. In addition, a few crews work weekend shifts as well. To report a pothole for repairs, drivers can call 311, Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Reports can also be made online. Public Works uses reports that come in from the public, as well as their observations in the field, to prioritize work and address street issues as efficiently and effectively as possible with the given resources.

### Carriage Walk Courtesy

Due to the parking ban, our office has received calls from many seniors and disabled citizens regarding cars parked in front of carriage walks. Many people rely on rides to doctor appointments and it can be very dangerous to walk over or around a snow bank. In addition, emergency personnel may need quick access to a home. Please be a good neighbor and do your best to avoid parking in front of carriage walks.

### 4th Ward E-Newsletter

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## Camden Arts

### Jim Zieba – sitting back and enjoying the music

By Mick LaBriola

The very calm, gentle and kind Jim Zieba is a pianist/organist mostly known for his church accompaniment based in Robbinsdale, just across Memorial Drive from North Minneapolis. He worked for Salem Lutheran Church at 4150 Dupont Avenue North for 26 years. Although Jim considers himself primarily a soloist, he has done a great deal of work with church accompaniment, as well as accompanying vocalists, small ensembles and big bands. Jim's repertoire is vast: from Bach, Mozart, Ravel, Debussy, Chopin, Mendelssohn, Barber to Gershwin (he expressed his passion for *Rhapsody in Blue* by Gershwin in particular).

Jim actually lives in the house that he grew up in as a child, rare among performance artists (or anyone) these days. Jim started his musical journey at age eight studying with a piano teacher, Mrs. Wilson, who would come to his house to give lessons. Jim recalls his dad playing his old 78s often, influencing Jim's interest in music from an early age.

By age 12 Jim was studying at MacPhail Center for Music with Ted Bergman, who worked for the First Baptist Church at 1021 Hennepin Avenue for many years. While attending Robbinsdale High School Jim played in a big band format. After high school Jim entered the Navy and took a brief sabbatical from music. When he returned home he entered the electrical industry field after studying at St. Paul Vocational College; Jim now works with Traffic Signal Maintenance for the City of St. Paul.

A huge influence in Jim's musical career was his eight-year tutelage from music instructor Jim Johnson of Augsburg College. Johnson changed the way Jim Zieba perceived music, especially emphasizing chord voicing. Jim says Johnson "Opened my eyes," and insisted on him "Playing it the way it was in-



tended to be played!" This was a profound experience. Another incredible influence was Katherine Sundquist, originally from Red Wing and now in Eau Claire, Wisconsin, who taught Jim how we hear a piece of music influences how we execute a piece of music.

Currently, Jim works occasionally with the Como Pops Orchestra and the Capitol City Wind Ensemble (<http://stpaulcwe.org/>). He has accompanied artists such as the Dale Warland Singers and the Minnesota Opera. Additional church accompaniment performances have included

Lutheran Memorial at 38th and Sheridan, and St. Austin and St. Bridget Catholic churches on the Northside.

Jim shared some very delightful stories about his career. He remembered with a lot of amusement a private soiree performance in the Golden Valley home of Maxcine Heinetz that also included a wonderful dinner for the small ensemble of musicians. He also recounted enthusiastically how he found a 1930s Wurlitzer organ with a full pedal board. It was on this instrument that he developed his skills as an organist.

Jim often tunes the piano on which he plays. He tunes by ear working with the first octave of a note, the harmonics, tuning out the beat, tuning by the circle of 4th's and or 5th's etc. — no easy task to be sure (<http://piano.detwiler.us/>).

Jim loves music but believes certain modern orchestral pieces are so complex and moving at such an incredible speed this often leaves the listener excluded from the art form or excluded from simply appreciating the music. Jim insists he loves best the pieces that can enable him to "Sit back and enjoy the music."

### The arts have a home on the Northside

By Pat Carney and Robert Johnson

To say that the last year has been tumultuous for the Northside Arts Collective (NAC) would be an understatement. With the elimination of Connie Beckers as executive director one year ago, the board took on the work and responsibilities of keeping our community's arts organization moving along. Unable to engage the membership, by November the board made a decision to take steps to dissolve the organization. This process was halted when a new group of board members was seated in December.

A group of members, headed by Scott Nieman, Robert Johnson and Jeanne Fish proceeded to rally the membership thru emails and an online survey. The group found that the community, as well as NAC membership, strongly disapproved of dissolution. They then asked for new board candidates and asked most of the previous board to step down if they wanted.

A new board of directors: NAC's new board is chaired by long time member, Robert Johnson, board member Lucy Yogerst remains from the old board. Other new board members include Austin Gullixson, Pat Carney, Meg Corcoran, Rachel Orman, Erika Finne, Geno Valhaye and Mick Brogan. All board members are Northside residents and/or business owners and all have some relation to the arts. Currently there are four seats available, if any one is interested in serving, email [info@nacarts.org](mailto:info@nacarts.org).

The new NAC board is enthusiastically working on reenergizing the organization and announcing new member and public activities in support of Northside arts events and artists.

For this year NAC will be holding off on the Spring Arts Party. It was determined by the board to take the

year off to get some community input on what the Northside needs in a large community festival. This will be done thru several community meetings and some research on festivals. The board hopes for more input from the membership and to have a clearer picture about this and other activities. With grant money tight, it is important the organization gets the event retooled for success. The Spring Art Party began in 2003 as an arts and music festival which was sponsored by a different neighborhood each year. The most recent Spring Art Party was 2009, in Webber Park.

Save the date! On April 2 NAC will hold their Spring Thing event at The Warren - An Artists Habitat, 4400 Osseo Road. The event is open to the community, as well as past and future members and supporters (hint hint) of the Northside Arts Collective.

NAC will be asking for a \$10 donation at the door or \$5 for those who bring food for the potluck meal. Check [www.nacarts.org](http://www.nacarts.org) for details about event and the silent auction. It will be a good time and a chance to have your ideas for this great organization heard.

Get ready to FLOW, July 30! As one of its first actions the NAC board has partnered with West Broadway Coalition to present the 6th Annual FLOW. A Northside Arts Crawl on July 30. The event has become a celebration of West Broadway, and a great opportunity for Northside artists to display and sell art. The event is also a festival of music and the diverse art and culture of North Minneapolis.

If you are interested in more info on being involved in NAC, or upcoming events contact NAC at [info@nacarts.org](mailto:info@nacarts.org).

### Workhouse extends season with well-loved and ground-breaking comedies

Workhouse Theatre Company (WTC) is pleased to announce the extension of their 2010-11 season.

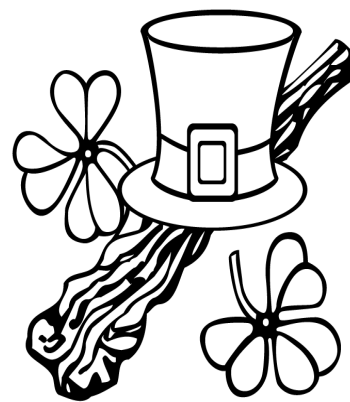
"We're thrilled to announce that we're extending our mainstage season by one full production," said Artistic Director Christopher Tibbetts. "This would not have been possible without the wonderful support we've received from all of our neighbors and friends." Managing Director Mark Webb added that WTC's fall production of *Proof* broke box-office and attendance records, in addition to being a hit with audiences and critics.

WTC concludes its second season of Shakespeare on Sunday readings on April 10 with *All's Well That Ends Well*. This popular partnership with Minnesota Shakespeare Project (MSP) brings some of the Twin Cities' best classical actors to WTC's stage at The Warren-An Artist Habitat for an informal afternoon of fellowship and great theatre. *All's Well That Ends Well* will feature lifelong Northsider Elizabeth Gjertson (last seen as Claire in WTC's *Proof*) and is directed by Victory resident and MSP Artistic Director Diane Mountford. The event begins at 1 p.m. with a potluck (feel free to bring a dish to share), and the reading begins at 2 p.m. There is no charge for admission, but donations are gratefully accepted. The event happens at The Warren-An Artist Habitat, 4400 Osseo Road.

WTC returns to its mainstage programming with A.R. Gurney, Jr's comedy *Sylvia*, directed by Tibbetts. One of the most popular comedies of the last twenty years, *Sylvia* runs at the Warren May 6-22, and tells the story of Greg and Kate, a middle-aged couple adjusting to their "empty nest," and what happens when Greg brings home a stray dog. The urbane comedy brings Twin Cities favorites David Denninger, Erin Duffy, Julie Ann Nevill and Jonathan Peterson to the Workhouse stage for the first time.

WTC presents the ground-breaking comedy *Torch Song Trilogy* by Harvey Fierstein, directed by Richard Jackson, June 17-July 3. "The theatre has always been a place to reach out, and to make all people feel welcome," Tibbetts said. "With *Torch Song Trilogy*, Workhouse is proud to reach out to our friends and family members in the GLBT community. We're so proud to present this amazing, funny, moving play during Gay Pride month, and hope to make a Pride Month production an annual part of our programming." *Torch Song Trilogy* returns director Jackson and Northside actor Miriam Monasch, both from WTC's Ivey Award-winning production of *'night, Mother*, to the Workhouse stage, as well as welcoming actors Joseph Botten, Berndt Brummel, Shannon Jankowski, Steven Johnson and Max Wojtanowicz.

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# Outdoors

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The program is offered from June 13 through August 19 from 7 a.m.-6 p.m. Check out Webber Park, 4400 Dupont Ave. N, 612-370-4916 for specs. Activities include active games, sports, swim lessons, arts and crafts, park classes, one field trip a week and nutritious snacks. Children must bring a bag lunch daily.

Rec Plus provides parents with affordable recreation based school-age care in local park centers. The program enables children to experience the positive benefits of a balanced recreation program while providing a safe environment for children that promotes healthy physical and social development.

Fee assistance can be requested by qualified Minneapolis residents upon availability. Hennepin County Childcare Assistance accepted. Contact Rec Plus+ at 612-230-6400 or recplus@minneapolisparcs.org.

## Riverfront *continued from page 1*

will help fund the Riverfirst project. One of the most innovative pieces in the proposal was an i-Phone application for Minneapolis parks that would generate income for the city while simultaneously generating and encouraging tourism in Minnesota by showcasing some of the state's parks to people everywhere.

The winning Riverfirst design, along with the other top three submissions, was showcased at a public event at the Walker Art Center on January 27. Principal designers from each of the final teams presented

detailed outlines of their visions for a 21st Century park. Many of them shared common threads such as focuses on accessibility, green economy and re-using existing city structures to keep their carbon footprints light.

For info on the Riverfirst project and the TLS/KVA design team, along with the other teams and their projects, you can go to <http://minneapolisriverfront-designcompetition.com/teams/winning-team-tlskva>.



Farview Park towards river.



View from bluffs.

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## Yes, spring is coming!

By Debbie Nelson, Master Gardener  
University of Minnesota Extension Service Hennepin County

Get ready. It's coming. Astronomical spring arrives on March 20 and unbelievably, daylight savings time begins one week earlier on March 13! The warmer temperatures and melting snow have many gardeners itching to get something started — anything. What is a person to do if they don't have the equipment and space required to start seeds indoors? They could try sowing seeds outdoors in March using recyclable containers to make mini greenhouses.

This is a cheap and easy way to get a head start on the Minnesota growing season. It works best for starting annuals. You can use a variety of recyclable containers including clear plastic bakery or take out boxes, two-liter pop bottles and even milk jugs. Just be sure the container is clean and big enough to hold at least 3" of soil and still allow enough head room for seedlings to grow. If you are using pop or milk bottles, slit the bottle about half way down and about 3/4 of the way around making a "hinged" top. Plastic 'clam shells' from the bakery or takeout will already have a hinged top. Whatever containers you are using make three or four slits in the bottom to allow excess water to drain. Fill the container with 3-4" of sterile seed starting medium and water evenly until some water starts draining out the bottom. Plant your seeds according package directions; and if you add more soil on top of them moisten it by misting it lightly so as to not wash the seeds away. You may want to add plant labels inside the containers so that when you take off the covers in May, you will remember what you planted in each container. Seal your containers

with duct tape that will hold up to the weather that will surely come in March and April. Poke additional holes in the top of the container to allow for air transpiration; for milk or pop bottles you can leave the cap off also. Label the outside of the containers as well. Place your "green houses" outside on your deck, patio or a table with east, west or southern exposure to the sun. Make sure that snow and rain can reach them so don't put them under an overhang or awning. Now sit back and let Mother Nature (and Father Time) take over.

As the sun rises higher in the sky and the sunlight becomes more intense the soil and air inside the container will heat up. Condensation inside the container is a good indication that there is sufficient moisture in the green house. If there is no condensation you may have to open the container and mist the soil lightly. Soon the seeds will sprout. When this happens you should make the holes on top bigger or make more holes so that the tiny seedlings do not get over heated. As temperatures continue to rise check regularly to make sure that the soil has not dried out. If it has, water the soil gently. By mid May you can remove the lids, but be sure to cover the seedlings if night time temperatures threaten to drop below freezing. Wait to transplant your plants until the ground has warmed sufficiently to avoid stunting the growth of your plants.

I have not tried this method myself but plan to soon. Those who have tried it have been rewarded with an abundance of annuals for their gardens by Memorial Day. Good Luck!

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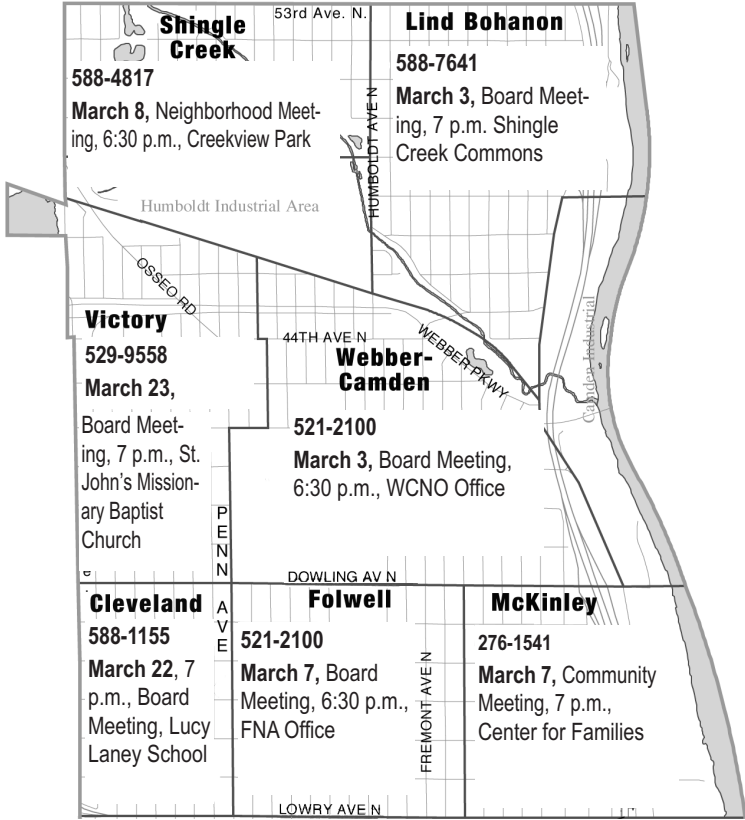
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**McKinley Calendar of Events**

**McKinley Community Meeting** Monday, March 7, 7 pm,  
Center for Families, 3333 N. 4th Street  
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**McKinley Board of Directors Meeting** Monday, March 21, 6:30 pm,  
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**Crime/Safety Meeting** Monday, March 28, 6:30 pm,  
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Email: [scna@stribmail.com](mailto:scna@stribmail.com); Amy Luesebrink, staff, 763-561-1616

SCNA Meetings are held the second Tuesday of the month at Creekview Park, 5001 Humboldt Ave. N., unless stated otherwise. \*All meetings open to the public. \*All residents are encouraged to attend. Any requests for special accommodations are welcome. Contact SCNA staff seven days prior to meeting.

**SCNA Neighborhood Meeting is March 8 at 6:30 p.m.**  
**SCNA Annual Meeting and Elections April 12, 6:30 p.m. at Creekview Park**

**The SCNA 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Shingle Creek Clean-up Coming Saturday, April 16! 9 a.m.-noon**  
Mark your calendars for this family fun-filled day! We'll spend a couple hours in the morning picking up trash from the banks of Shingle Creek, eating some food, and this year we'll have the University of MN Raptor Center again swooping in to lend a hand!  
Come help out and then stick around to see the live raptor show!  
Our annual Shingle Creek Clean-up is from 9-11 a.m.  
The celebration party with food and refreshments and educational activities is from 11-noon. For more information go to [www.scna-mpls.org](http://www.scna-mpls.org).

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SCNA, is a 501c3 organization whose mission is to educate residents and promote the local area. The work we do as volunteers in the neighborhood is important! We host the Shingle Creek Clean-up, Tour De Camden, the Common Ground Community Garden, and so much more! We currently have openings on the board and are seeking volunteers who can commit two hours a month to attend one meeting a month to lend input and ideas about things happening in the area. Thanks for considering getting involved! Check us out at [scna@stribmail.com](mailto:scna@stribmail.com) or our staff at 763-561-1616.

**Hurry! Money could be gone soon!**

Need a \$1,000? \$2,500, \$5,000 for new furnace, windows, bathroom, roof? Consider using the SCNA Home Improvement Loan Program! SCNA homeowners are eligible for low or no interest rates for home improvement loans. Every repaid loan helps us to be able to do more to improve our community! The minimum loan is \$1,000! Contact Jim Hasnik at 612-335-5885 Center for Energy and Environment (CEE) for more details on what projects qualify! Or go to our website at [www.scna-mpls.org](http://www.scna-mpls.org) to check out an application and more details!

**VICTORY NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION**  
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[info@victoryneighborhood.org](mailto:info@victoryneighborhood.org) •  
[www.victoryneighborhood.org](http://www.victoryneighborhood.org)  
*All the News from Victory Neighborhood*

**March food drive to benefit NorthPoint Food Shelf**

The Victory Neighborhood Association in partnership with the Community Food Shelf at NorthPoint Health and Wellness and Minnesota Food Share will participate in the March campaign to raise dollars and collect food donations. Since 2005 the number of people served by NorthPoint Food Shelf has grown by 60 percent, serving 30,000 people in 2010. Many of these were children.

Donations of cash and food will be collected during March at some of our local businesses including Steamworks Coffee and Tea, Papa's Restaurant and Deli, The Warren, the Housing ResourceCenter and the ViNA office. Checks can be mailed to NorthPoint Inc, 1315 Penn Ave N, Minneapolis, MN 55411. 100 percent of cash donations are used to purchase food at cooperative prices from local food banks.

**See Fresh at The Warren - Dinner at Victory 44 - March 19**

The movie *Fresh* celebrates the farmers, thinkers and business people across America who are re-inventing our food system. Each has witnessed the rapid transformation of our agriculture into an industrial model and confronted the consequences: food contamination, environmental pollution, depletion of natural resources and morbid obesity. *Fresh* will be shown at The Warren on March 19, at 6:30 p.m. The showing is free but space is limited, so please reserve a seat by contacting the Victory Neighborhood Association at 612-529-9558 or [info@victoryneighborhood.org](mailto:info@victoryneighborhood.org).

Preceding the movie there will be special seating for movie goers across the street at Victory 44! They will enjoy a three-course chef's tasting menu for \$20. You must make reservations for this special dinner seating with the Victory Neighborhood Association by Tuesday, March 15.

**Save the Date - April 9**  
**Victory Gardening Workshop!**

The third annual spring gardening workshop will be presented by The ViNA Environment Committee on Saturday, April 9, 10 a.m.-noon at The Warren, 4400 Osseo Road. This year's workshop will focus on two topics - Rain Garden Maintenance and Gardening for Food and will include information booths on composting, container gardening, rain gardens and barrels, and chickens in the city.

**The Lind Bohanon Neighborhood Association**

Message Line: 612-588-7641 • email: [LindBohanonNA@aol.com](mailto:LindBohanonNA@aol.com) • [www.lindbohanon.org](http://www.lindbohanon.org)  
LBNA Meetings: Free and open to the public. Residents are encouraged to attend.  
*Meetings held at Shingle Creek Commons Bldg, 4600 Humboldt Ave N. unless otherwise specified*  
Any requests for special accommodations are welcome. Contact LBNA staff seven days prior to date of meeting.  
For more details on any of these items check the LBNA newsletter and website.

**Thursday, March 3, LBNA Board Meeting 7 p.m.**

Camden Winterfest Thank You!  
CONGRATULATIONS FOR THE SECOND YEAR IN A ROW! THIS YEAR'S CHILI COOK-OFF GOLDEN LADEL WINNER!  
Kim Caprini from Cleveland with her "Color Me Chili 2011" recipe!  
For photos and recipes check out our website at [www.scna-mpls.org](http://www.scna-mpls.org)  
Over 200 people attended last month's third Camden Winterfest! We know this event wouldn't be a success without so many supporters, helpers and residents who came out to share the wintry fun and help us judge some tremendous chilis again this year!  
Want to judge for yourself?  
Stop in to get a bowl of the Camden Winterfest Chili Golden Ladle winner at 42nd Avenue Station, at 42nd and Lyndale Ave. N. on the 19th of March and April.

Many Thanks to Major Partner:  
**Shingle Creek Neighborhood Association**  
**Outstanding Partners:**  
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Tina Austin- Maintenance Crewleader  
Dave Kummer- Carpentry Foreman  
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Jamie Sommers- rec

Corey Miller- rec  
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Victory Neighborhood Association  
**Planning and Event Volunteers:**  
Lori and Brock Hanson, Pam Owens, Shirley Gish, David Barnett, Wes Countryman, Jenifer Scherer, Susan Spiller, JJ Designs, Lori Thayer, Jeff Johnson, YouthCARE MN

**Lind Community Garden application deadline April 15**

The Lind Community Garden has 60 garden plots and we can't wait for spring! If you've been looking for a place to plant a garden locally and would be interested in using a community garden plot in the Lind-Bohanon area—We want to hear from you!  
Cost of a 6x12' plot is \$20 and includes the background check that is required since the garden is on school property. For more information: [www.lindbohanon.org](http://www.lindbohanon.org).

**CNA Cleveland Neighborhood Association**  
P.O. Box 11635 • Minneapolis, MN 55411  
CNA Office is located at Lucy Craft Laney at Cleveland Park School  
Phone: 612-588-1155 Fax: 612-588-1151  
[cna@clevelandneighborhood.org](mailto:cna@clevelandneighborhood.org) • website: <http://www.clevelandneighborhood.org>

**Don't delay! Sign up for a FREE Energy Audit from CEE and CNA**

Thirty-one Cleveland Neighborhood residents have already signed up to participate in the Community Energy Services program and receive a free home energy audit and hundreds of dollars in goods and services. Community Energy Services is a comprehensive one-stop residential energy program, through which, Cleveland residents will have access to a free workshop on energy efficiency and conservation, a home visit by two qualified professionals including a blower door test and up to \$400 worth of materials and services, as well as information about rebates, innovative financing and incentives. To receive your Customized Home Energy Visit you must first sign up for and attend one of the workshops. Workshops will be held on **Tuesday, March 1, at 6:30 p.m.** in the multipurpose room of Lucy Craft Laney School and **at 6 p.m. on Thursday, March 24,** at North Regional Library, 1315 Lowry Ave N.

Don't delay! Be one of the 100 Cleveland residents to receive your energy audit free - thanks

to CNA. You can sign up for a workshop by contacting Kyle Boehm at the Center for Energy and the Environment (CEE) at [kboehm@mncee.org](mailto:kboehm@mncee.org) or 612-219-7334. Community Energy Services is administered by the Center for Energy and Environment and is a partnership between Centerpoint Energy, the City of Minneapolis, the Minnesota Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund as recommended by the Legislative-Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources (LCCMR) and Xcel Energy.  
**Spring is right around the corner ...**

• • So plan ahead for your boulevard and rain-gardens. Landscape grants will once again be available to help residents purchase native plants for either of these gardens. **New** this year and as an added incentive - early birds who have their application and plans approved and their gardens installed by May 31 will be eligible for up to \$200 reimbursements for native plants. After May 31, grants will be a maximum of \$100. Guidelines and applications will be available April 1, so if you are interested contact CNA at 612-588-1155 or [cna@clevelandneighborhood.org](mailto:cna@clevelandneighborhood.org).



# Camden Youth & Schools

## Patrick Henry High School semester I honor roll and perfect attendance

### A Honor Roll

Abdul-Wahid, Hasaanah  
 Ahmed, Marian I.  
 Autio, Storm David  
 Bates, Jason Allen  
 Beckering, Malin Linnea  
 Camacho-Arriola, Mariel  
 Cando, Lisette Cristina  
 Cannon, Mariah Kenya  
 Chang, Choua  
 Chang, Mai Nhia  
 Chang, Nalee  
 Chavez, Leslie  
 Cheng, Shoua  
 Chimbo Ortega, Luis M.  
 Coborn, Kenzi Alexis  
 Cooper, Tori Ellen  
 Day, Malik Shahid  
 Degroot, Anna Cole  
 Eastman, Christopher D.  
 Engstrom-Neadeau, Randal  
 Fritsche, Kira Grace  
 Gatei, Larissa Nicole  
 Gravdal, Rachel Nicole  
 Her, Hlee  
 Her, Jenny Chee  
 Her, Meng  
 Her, Sue  
 Hooper, Jacob Bradley  
 Hubbard, Albert James  
 Hulmequist, Rummyana S.  
 Hunt, Alexandra C.  
 Ibrahim, Athara Ismail  
 Ives, Brianna Lynn  
 Khang, Chong  
 Khang, Kazoua  
 Khang, Nou  
 Lane, Jasmine  
 Lee, Alyssa Jhun  
 Lee, Jennifer Youa  
 Lee, Jenny  
 Lee, Ka Bao  
 Lee, Mai  
 Lee, Mai Hlee Sayaxang  
 Lee, Shueyeng  
 Lee, Yer  
 Lockhart, Jalayna  
 Lor, Der  
 Lor, Nouchee Sunshine  
 Lor, Tee Kia  
 Lor, Tria  
 Lurvey, Stephen Joel  
 Maddox, Maria  
 Mesfin, Saba  
 Mesfin, Semira Elena  
 Moges, Kerobel

Morris, Georgianna C.  
 Morris, Tiffany Kay  
 Morseth, Lathe Brian  
 Moua, Chee  
 Moua, Yuepheng Brian  
 Nightingale, Carson D.  
 Orman, India Alaya  
 Paredes-Guaman, Sonia  
 Parks, Antoniah Rose  
 Pearson, Anna Elizabeth  
 Pha, Chingtao  
 Phetsamone, Susan  
 Ploog, Aiko Deja Tatia  
 Pulla Mora, Elizabeth B.  
 Quintuna Tenempaguay, Katherine  
 Reep, Tristan James  
 Riser, Todd  
 Rome, Eden Elayne  
 Ross, Dae'zhonna S.  
 Ross, Samuel James  
 Ross, Sara Jean  
 Saldivar, Shirley  
 Schaefer, Zoey L.  
 Serrata-Sawdey, Maximo  
 Sibri Guaman, Jessica V.  
 Sibri-Guaman, Nieves G.  
 Sisavath, Henderson J.  
 Slavik, Jaimie Elizabeth  
 Taylor, Angela Nicole  
 Thao, Chue Yeng  
 Thao, Hase Lin  
 Thao, Ka  
 Thao, Kia  
 Thao, Linda  
 Thao, Lunting  
 Thao, Siew Lin  
 Thao, Xeng Xue  
 Thao, Zoua Pang  
 Tran, Thuy An Hoang  
 Vang, Angela K.  
 Vang, Beth Va  
 Vang, Bonnsy  
 Vang, Cathy  
 Vang, Cha Mee  
 Vang, Chueshee  
 Vang, Dua Xong  
 Vang, Gary Pung  
 Vang, Ia  
 Vang, Kalia  
 Vang, Kong Cha  
 Vang, Lisa La  
 Vang, Mai Neng  
 Vang, Mai Zoua  
 Vang, Maisee  
 Vang, Maly

Vang, Neng  
 Vang, Ntxim Nyiam  
 Vang, Pa Na  
 Vang, Pakou  
 Vang, Pazong  
 Vang, Pen-Xue Leo  
 Vang, Soua  
 Vang, Suewa  
 Varberg, Charles Kristina  
 Vongphakdy, Erik  
 Vue, Chia Ney  
 Vue, Kao  
 Vue, Seng  
 Watkins, Jakema Marie  
 Williams, Lakresha D.  
 Williams, Tanesha Nicol  
 Xiong, Amy  
 Xiong, Anna  
 Xiong, Connie Kabao  
 Xiong, Hold Lee  
 Xiong, Isabella Panong  
 Xiong, Judith Ntxhaistxu  
 Xiong, Kevin  
 Xiong, Kong  
 Xiong, Linda  
 Xiong, Linda  
 Xiong, Mai Moua  
 Xiong, Mai Yia  
 Xiong, Nancy  
 Xiong, Nancy Houa  
 Xiong, Pa-Ja  
 Xiong, Peter Xai  
 Yang, Dai  
 Yang, Gao Hardee  
 Yang, Gaochy  
 Yang, Julie  
 Yang, Kabau Chiaky  
 Yang, Kay La  
 Yang, Myder  
 Yang, Sheng  
 Yang, Wangmeng  
 Yang, Yer

### Perfect Attendance

Anderson, Emily  
 Austin, William  
 Beckering, Malin  
 Brewer, Damion  
 Chang, Ger  
 Chang, Nalee  
 Chavez, Leslie  
 Hubbard, Albert  
 Kha, Koua  
 Khang, Bao  
 Khang, Chong  
 Khang, John

Khang, Xe  
 Lee, Charlie  
 Lee, Mai Hlee  
 Lor, Pachee  
 Maki, Ryan  
 Miller, De'anthony  
 Moua, Chinyune  
 Nguyen, Phong  
 Nightingale, Carson  
 Orihuela-Vera, Aylin  
 Orona-Munoz, Josue  
 Pha, Chingtao  
 Quintuna Tenempaguay, Katherine  
 Rodriguez, Lorenzo  
 Ross, Dae'zhonna  
 Ross, Samuel  
 Sibri-Guaman, Nieves  
 Taylor, Angela  
 Thao, Ka  
 Thao, Na  
 Thao, Siew  
 Thao, Zoua  
 Thor, Panhia  
 Thor, Sheila  
 Vang, Beth  
 Vang, Chueshee  
 Vang, Cindara  
 Vang, Gary  
 Vang, Ka  
 Vang, Kou  
 Vang, Kue  
 Vang, Mai  
 Vang, Shiny  
 Vongphakdy, Erik  
 Vongsoth, Phetsamy  
 Vue, Cha  
 Vue, Kao  
 Xiong, Adam  
 Xiong, Danny  
 Xiong, Isabella  
 Xiong, Jason  
 Xiong, Kevin  
 Xiong, Peter  
 Xiong, Ricky  
 Yang, Dao  
 Yang, Julie  
 Yang, Ka  
 Yang, Kaboa  
 Yang, Mychie  
 Yang, Sheng  
 Yang, Soua  
 Yang, Wangmeng  
 Yang, Yer

## Free homework help for children, teens and adults

All students, including adult students, can receive free homework assistance at Hennepin County libraries and online. Anyone can access Homework Rescue, which provides one-to-one homework help in English and Spanish seven days a week at [www.hclib.org/pub/info/homework.cfm](http://www.hclib.org/pub/info/homework.cfm).

Trained tutors will help adults with college or GED homework assignments at new Adult Homework Help sessions on Tuesdays and Thursdays at Sumner Library. Homework Hub, free homework help sessions for kindergarten-grade 12, is offered on a drop-in basis at many Hennepin County libraries.

Links to homework tools also are provided on the Hennepin County Library website's KidLinks and TeenLinks pages ([www.hclib.org/kids/homework/](http://www.hclib.org/kids/homework/) and [www.hclib.org/teens/DoYourHomework.cfm](http://www.hclib.org/teens/DoYourHomework.cfm)). For info visit [www.hclib.org](http://www.hclib.org).



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**WCNO March Board Meeting: Minneapolis City Council President, Barbara Johnson is on the agenda: Thursday, March 3, 6:30 p.m.** WCNO office -1206 37th Ave. N.: CP Johnson will discuss NRP (Neighborhood Revitalization Program) and property tax issues in the City of Minneapolis. Also attending will be Jeff Strand, Neighborhood and Community Engagement Commission (NCEC) member and NRP Policy Board alternate.

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**Neighborhood Involvement Program (NIP):** Seniors and homeowners with disabilities. If you need help with snow shoveling, call NIP to register plus learn about their chore service. (612-374-3125).

**The Metro Paint-A-Thon** helps seniors and people with physical disabilities continue to live independently in their own homes. If you need a copy of the application, WCNO has copies in our office; otherwise, you may also download the application from the Metro Paint-A-Thon website at [paintathon.gmcc.org](http://paintathon.gmcc.org) (Go to "homeowner

application" on the left). May 6 is the application deadline. Selected homeowners are notified by mail in early July of each year. Note: Metro Paint-A-Thon does not paint home interiors, duplexes, rental properties or homes the owner no longer occupies, nor prepare homes to go up for sale. Contact: Deidre Pope, Director at [dpope@gmcc.org](mailto:dpope@gmcc.org) or 612-721-8687 x321.

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**Folwell Neighborhood - NRP in Action!**  
 New Folwell residents let us know you're here! Call 612-521-2100; email: [info@folwell.org](mailto:info@folwell.org);  
 website: [folwell.org](http://folwell.org). Office location: 1206 37th Ave. N.,  
 M-Th, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. At Saless-Chair, Folwell Neighborhood Association.

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**Rebuilding Together Twin Cities:** Rebuilding Together is working with more homeowners than ever this year and needs your help. On April 30, there are plans to make repairs for 15 low-income homeowners who live in the Folwell neighborhood. One Folwell resident to be helped this year had sustained serious head and leg injuries after being hit by a drunk driver and lives with permanent disabilities caused by that accident. Since that time, this owner has not been able to keep up with home repairs and maintenance. If you would like to help, please consider making a donation or volunteering with Rebuilding Together. For more information: contact Rebuilding Together Twin Cities at 651-776-4273, fax: 612-767-8578, email to [VolunteerServices@rebuildingtogether-twincities.org](mailto:VolunteerServices@rebuildingtogether-twincities.org).

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# Community Calendar

The *Camden Community News* accepts free calendar items with priority placement going to free events for families in the Camden Community. Keep your items short — send the event basics (who, what, when, where, why, etc.), highlight and contact info to [editor@camdenews.org](mailto:editor@camdenews.org). Send your item in the style listed below: day, date, event, location, etc. We never guarantee your calendar item will be printed — if you want to guarantee your event gets in the *Camden News* you may place an inexpensive paid ad to support the non-profit *Camden News* — see info on pages 2 and 11. And businesses can help the *Camden News* promote local events by sponsoring the Community Calendar, and get your business name out there — it's only \$50 per month. Call 521-3060.

## February

### Saturday, 2/26

**Camden Music School's Peace Concert**, 4-5 p.m. at Luther Memorial, 3751 Sheridan Ave. N. Free. Celebrate peace through music, poetry, history and crafts. Enjoy performances by CMS instructors Jaette Carpenter, Ellie Fregni, Rick Sellen and Jeffrey Willkomm, the Camden Community Choir, students and friends — and a sing-along or two. After the concert: Face-painting, peace cranes, good coffee and conversation. Info: 612-618-0219 or [www.camdenmusicschool.com](http://www.camdenmusicschool.com).

### Sunday, 2/27

**Fundraiser for North Minneapolis Meals on Wheels** at The Blues Saloon, 1638 Rice Street (just south of Highway 36) St. Paul. Doors open at 4 p.m. Live music starts at 5:30 p.m.: Eric Gales, (Relentless available in stores or [www.ericgales.net](http://www.ericgales.net)), the Grassy Knolls and the Effeheimer Sisters. \$5 donation at the door. Come out for a fun evening of music. Info: 612-522-7335 or [nm-mowcsc@hotmail.com](mailto:nm-mowcsc@hotmail.com).

## March

### Arts

#### Ongoing Mondays

**Northside Arts Collective** meets at 6:30 p.m. at 42nd Street Station, 4171 Lyndale Ave. N. Info at [www.nacARTS.org](http://www.nacARTS.org).

#### Ongoing

**Camden Music School** spring term registration begins March 14. Springtime is a perfect time to dig into music! CMS has excellent instructors, and we teach people of all ages and abilities with a joyful spirit — at two convenient locations. Choose from Vocal and instrumental lessons; music theory and appreciation classes; ensembles — rock 'n roll, hand drums, choir, strings and more, for youth and adults; and Musikgarten early childhood classes for newborns to age 8. Family discounts and scholarships available. Scholarship application deadline is 5 p.m. Mar.28: [www.camdenmusicschool.com](http://www.camdenmusicschool.com) or 612-218-0219. Classes at Luther Memorial Lutheran Church, 3751 Sheridan Ave. N or Grace Center for Community Life, 1500 6th St. NE. Info: 612-618-0219 or [www.camdenmusicschool.com](http://www.camdenmusicschool.com).

#### Ongoing

**Beginning stained glass class**, April 26 thru May 17, through Henry High School Community Ed. Glass Fusing workshops are also great for folks not interested in learning to cut glass or operate a kiln. Check out [goddessofglas.com](http://goddessofglas.com). The Goddess of Glass and Friends has unique gifts, fine arts and custom framing. 2205 Lowry Ave N. Open Thurs.- Sat., 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; 612-521-0399, [www.goddessofglas.com](http://www.goddessofglas.com).

### Thursday, 3/3

Artists, bring your sketch pads to 42nd Avenue Station, 4171 Lyndale, from 7-9 p.m. for the cafe's first **Draw the Band Night**. Singer-songwriter Carl Franzen, recognized for his music recorded by John Denver and Michael Johnson, performs with his group r nt. (<http://twohand.org>). His music isn't funk, folk or jazz but careful pieces of each, supported by gold-record producer Rahjta Ren on keys and Minnesota Music Hall of Fame guitarist, Lonnie Knight. 42nd Av co-owner, Geno Gelhay, says artists will be given the opportunity to hang their work from the night on the cafe's walls.

### Church Events

#### Ongoing

**Clothes Closet at North United Methodist Church**, 44th and-Fremont, from 9 a.m.-noon the first Saturday of each month and the first Monday each month from 6-8 p.m. Donations accepted when open or see if there is some clothing you may need. If unable to get to NUMC during open times, call the church at 612-522-4497.

#### Ongoing third Sundays

**Breakfast and a Bag**. The Joint Ministries of Evangelist Temple, Brooklyn Center Hispanic Seventh Day Adventist and Gethsemane Lutheran host a free community breakfast from 8-10 a.m. at Gethsemane Lutheran Church on 47th and Colfax. When you are finished with breakfast and coffee you are welcome to take a bag of groceries home with you.

### Classes and Workshops

#### Third Tuesdays

**Seniors with diabetes support group**, 10-11:30 a.m., Webber Park Community Center, 4141 Webber Pkwy. Call Dot Hase, 521-1182, or American Diabetes Assn., 593-5333. Free.

#### Ongoing Wednesdays

**TOPS** (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) 7 p.m., Webber Park.

#### Ongoing

**Patchwork Quilt Kids' Club** 3700 Bryant Ave N. Free after-school club for students in grades 1-6. M-F, 2-6 p.m. Reading-technology-leadership/culture, field trips and lots of time for fun, healthy, hearty after-school meal, nurturing. Contact Diane at 612-270-0923, Winnie at 612-723-4737, or visit [www.patchworkquilt.org](http://www.patchworkquilt.org).

#### Saturday, 3/5

**Keys to Successful Rental Living**: a three-hour workshop to help you learn how to be successful renters, 9 a.m. to noon, Center for Changing Lives, 2400 Park Ave. Learn how to budget for rent and utilities; understand a rental lease; how to take care of your property; communicating with the property manager; how to be a

good neighbor; and tips on resolving conflicts. Free, childcare is available but pre-registration is required one week in advance of the workshop; info: 612-879-5250.

#### Tuesday, 3/1 and Thursday 3/24

Reduce your energy use and save money at the **Center for Energy and Environment free workshops** for Camden area homeowners. Tues., Mar.1, 6:30 p.m., Lucy Laney Elementary School (3333 Penn Ave N); and Thurs., Mar. 24 6 p.m. North Regional Library (1315 Lowry Ave N). Free childcare. Attend the workshop and be eligible to receive a customized home visit; a \$400 energy efficiency package for a co-pay of only \$30! Includes a visit from two Center for Energy and Environment professionals spending 1-1/2 hour in your home for a blower door test (measures air leaks), and energy and money saving materials. Some materials include compact fluorescent light bulbs, programmable thermostat, low-flow showerheads, faucet aerators, pipe wrap and more! Homeowners are also provided with 12 months of personalized energy tracking. This unique feedback allows you to see how your home uses energy and how much energy your home is saving with the program. Participants are also given info on financing, incentives and rebates. Reserve/contact Kyle Boehm at 612-219-7334 or [kboem@mncee.org](mailto:kboem@mncee.org), visit [www.mnces.org](http://www.mnces.org).

### Community Events

#### Ongoing

**Camden Lions General Meeting**, second Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m., Webber Park Bldg, 4400 and Dupont Ave. N. Social meeting, fourth Wednesday at a local restaurant. Join in making this a better community for all! For info and social location call Jim Cain, 612-521-1903. Visit [www.camdenlions.org](http://www.camdenlions.org).

#### Ongoing Tuesdays

**4PAC Meetings** keep you connected. 4th Precinct Advisory Council Meetings, 7 p.m. on the third Tuesday each month, 1925 Plymouth Ave. N. Topics vary. Meetings offer opportunities to meet officers and for Northside neighbors to share concerns. For an agenda email [vivian@4pac.org](mailto:vivian@4pac.org). For general info visit [www.4PAC.org](http://www.4PAC.org).

#### Ongoing

Hennepin County offers **low-cost vaccination clinics** for people of all ages who lack health insurance or whose health insurance does not cover vaccines. Brooklyn Center Clinic: Hennepin County's Brookdale Service Center, 6125 Shingle Creek Parkway, 9 to 11 a.m., on March 22. Downtown

Minneapolis Clinic: Hennepin Health Services Building, 525 Portland Ave. S., 8:30 to 11 a.m. on March 4.

#### Ongoing

**Think spring and plant kit fundraisers supporting animals at Gentle Touch Animal Sanctuary**. Pansy planter orders are due March 30 and plant kit orders on April 13. Pick-up is at Gentle Touch Animal Sanctuary, 4900 France Av. N., Brooklyn Center. You will be notified of the pick-up date. All planters/plant kits are \$25. Contact 763-537-5599 or [www.gt-as.com](http://www.gt-as.com) for an order form. Gentle Touch Animal Sanctuary is a no-kill 501c(3) nonprofit feline/canine rescue and placement service. Over 5,300 animals have found their new permanent homes through Gentle Touch since 2003.

#### Ongoing

**March food drive**. Victory neighborhood and Community Food Shelf at NorthPoint Health and Wellness and Minnesota Food Share's March campaign to raise dollars and collect food donations. Since 2005 the number of people served by NorthPoint Food Shelf has grown by 60 percent, serving 30,000 people in 2010. Many of these were children. Donations of cash and food will be collected during March at local businesses including Steamworks Coffee & Tea, Papa's Restaurant & Deli, The Warren, the Housing Resource Center and the ViNA office. Mail checks to NorthPoint Inc, 1315 Penn Ave N, Mpls, MN 55411. 100 percent of cash donations are used to purchase food at cooperative prices from local food banks.

#### Ongoing

**Support our Camden Girl Scouts**. Camden Girl Scout Troop 10826 is selling cookies at local stores: Rainbow Foods, 8020 Brooklyn Blvd in Brooklyn Park; Sun., Feb. 27, 1-4 p.m.; Sam's Club, 8150 University Ave NE, Fridley, Sun., Mar.13, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.; Rainbow Foods, 8020 Brooklyn Blvd, Brooklyn Park, Sun., Mar. 20, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. For other sites check out [cookielocator.littlebrownie.com](http://cookielocator.littlebrownie.com). Help our girl scouts this year. Support Minnesota's future by supporting Minnesota-based businesses and Minnesota products!

#### Ongoing

**Free tax preparation for seniors and low income persons** at North Regional Library and Oak Park Center. Trained and certified AARP Tax-Aide volunteers help with personal income tax, rent credit, property tax refunds and other tax issues. IRS authorized E-file locations. Bring a photo ID, Social Security cards for yourself and your family, and tax documents from employers, pensions, banks, etc. If you rent bring your 2010 CRP certificate from your landlord. If you are a homeowner bring your property tax statement

payable in 2011. Bring last year's tax return and anything else important. Free tax preparation at North Regional Library, 1315 Lowry Ave. N., Wed., 10:30-1:30 p.m., through April 13 and on Sat, 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. through April 16. First come- first served basis. Oak Park Center, 1701 Oak Park Ave. N., every Mon. thru April 18, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Call 612-377-7000 for appointment. Appointments get preference but walk ins are accepted if tax-aide counselors are available.

#### Ongoing, third Saturdays

**Camden Garden Club** meets 3rd Sat. at North Miss. Reg. Park Interpretive Center, 9:30 am. Join us to build and maintain beautiful gardens in Camden. Learn about plants and community action. Free. Contact us at [schnappl@q.com](mailto:schnappl@q.com).

#### Tuesday, 3/8

Recycling needs you! Attend a **community forum on recycling**. Hennepin County wants to know how to get residents to recycle and compost more. Research recently conducted by Hennepin County shows residents are only recycling slightly more than half of the recyclables they could be. By increasing recycling, we can conserve more natural resources and save energy, create jobs and add to the economy. 6 to 8 p.m. at Crystal Community Center, 4800 Douglas Drive N., Crystal. RSVP/info: 612-348-4168 [www.hennepin.us/recyclingfeedback](http://www.hennepin.us/recyclingfeedback).

#### Wednesday, 3/16

**North High School Career Fair**. Organizers are looking for participants to support North High students by representing their careers at this special event. 12:30-3 pm. Register at [www.achievempls.org](http://www.achievempls.org).

#### Saturday, 3/19

The movie *Fresh* celebrates the farmers, thinkers and business people across America who re-invent our food system. Each has witnessed the rapid transformation of our agriculture into an industrial model and confronted the consequences: food contamination, environmental pollution, depletion of natural resources and morbid obesity. See *Fresh* at The Warren on March 19, at 6:30 p.m. The show is free but space is limited, reserve a seat at 612-529-9558 or [info@victoryneighborhood.org](mailto:info@victoryneighborhood.org).

### Libraries

**Webber Library Events, 4310 Webber Parkway, 952-847-2750. For all updates see [hclib.org](http://hclib.org)**

#### Ongoing

**Lub caij hais dabneeg Hmoob/World Language Storytime**: Hmong Nyeem ntawv, hais dabneeg, hu nkauj, thiab qhia suab paj nruag rau koj cov menyuum muaj hnub nyug ob xyoo thiab lawm sauv. For children age 2 and up. Share books, stories, rhymes

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and music in Hmong.

**Thursday, 3/10**

**Job Search Assistance** 1-3 p.m. Are you seeking new employment or re-entering the workforce? Do you need help looking for a job, filling out applications or writing your résumé? Stop in for free one-to-one assistance with a job search representative.

**Saturday, 3/19**

**Origami Fun!** 1-3 p.m. Grade 1 and up. Learn this nifty paper-folding art from local aficionado Daniel Kluver. Leave with your pockets full of animals!

**Events at North Regional Library, 952-847-2750** For all updates see [hclib.org](http://hclib.org).

**Discovery Days** ongoing Tuesdays, 3- 5 p.m. Preschool-grade 5. Check out the Discovery Room where you'll have minds-on, hands-on fun, with new themed activities each week.

**Ongoing Tuesdays**

**International Teen Club**, 5-7 p.m. Grade 6 and up. Explore your personality, improve leader-

ship skills and increase community involvement. Learn something new and build friendships. "Hmonglish" is spoken during meetings!

**Parks**

**Saturday, 3/5**

**Robbinsdale Little League sign up** and spring training events for our community. Register at the Robbinsdale Sanborn Park Shelter (42nd and Chowen), 9 a.m.-noon. Sign-ups also accepted at spring training, see [www.robbinsdalelittleleague.com](http://www.robbinsdalelittleleague.com) for info. Email [robbLLpres@gmail.com](mailto:robbLLpres@gmail.com) with questions.

**Resources**

**Ongoing**

Drugs and drug addiction are problems our community struggles with. Get help at **Narcotics Anonymous**. No fees or dues. Meet Thursday, 5 p.m. 42nd Ave. Station, 4171 Lyndale Ave. N.; or Sundays at 7 p.m. at St. Bridget's Rectory (side door), 3811 Emerson. Info at [naminnesota.org/](http://naminnesota.org/) or call the helpline at 952-939-3939.

**April**

**Friday, 4/1**

**Betcha By Golly Wow.** Tickets on sale now. Camden Music School presents A FUNdraiser for Scholarships, 7 p.m. Capri Theater, 2027 West Broadway. Starring you, the audience, on vocals, with host Dan Chouinard, guest song leaders Debbie Duncan, T Michael Rambo, Dennis Spears and Regina Marie Williams. All singing styles and abilities and "just listeners" welcome. Song lyrics projected; plus a speed live auction, refreshments, '60s vintage fashions and more! Be sure to vote for your five top favorites from our '60s Soul Top Sixty in our online poll at [www.camden-musicschool.com](http://www.camden-musicschool.com) The top five vote-getting songs will be included in the sing-along. Keep the good Northside stories coming. Tickets \$20 in advance (highly recommended), \$25 at the door. Purchase at [www.camden-musicschool.com](http://www.camden-musicschool.com) or 612-618-0219.

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**Local church raising awareness about human trafficking**

By Stacy Bender

The 13th Amendment, passed in 1865, formally abolished slavery in the U.S.; however, slavery continues locally and worldwide in the practice of human trafficking. Although the definition of this form of slavery appears to evolve each day, the purpose of human trafficking is to force desperate persons into terrifying situations such as sexual exploitation or forced physical labor. In November, Fox News reported about a series of arrests made in the Twin Cities and in Tennessee which broke up a human trafficking ring that provided underage prostitutes.

Pastor Kerry and a team of concerned members at Faith Baptist Church, 4350 Russell, have planned a weekend event to raise awareness within the congregation and the community about this issue. Pastor Kerry says, "Christ came to bring freedom – both spiritual and physical – to the captive, and He has called us as His Church to proclaim this truth both through word and deed."

One team member, Patrick Henry graduate Courtney Anderson, currently pursues a degree in cosmetology for the purpose of taking that skill and sharing it with women in countries where human trafficking is prevalent in order to provide them with the means to leave their enslaved situations. Leah Johnson, another team member, said, "This event is a way for all of us to take up the cause of the oppressed by learning about their plight. Only when we understand the problem can we come together to take a stand against it."

All members of the community are invited to attend one or more of the events. Saturday, March 12, at 2-4:30 p.m.: Seminar/Q&A - Focus on local concerns with human trafficking. Saturday, March 12, at 5 p.m.: Time of prayer in the church sanctuary: led by Leah Johnson. Sunday, March 13, at 9:15 a.m.: Session includes a broad overview of local and worldwide human trafficking. In addition, informational tables will be set up by local and international organizations that raise awareness and fight against human trafficking. Sunday, March 13, at 10:30 a.m.: Freedom Sunday worship service which focuses on freedom that God brings to humanity and our role in partnering with God to bring justice to the world and communities in which we live. Sunday, March 13, at 6:15 p.m.: Jacob's Well Service (a monthly worship experience) provides a time of prayer and reflection and an opportunity to ask for God to intercede and lead us to action. More info at [www.faithmpls.com](http://www.faithmpls.com).

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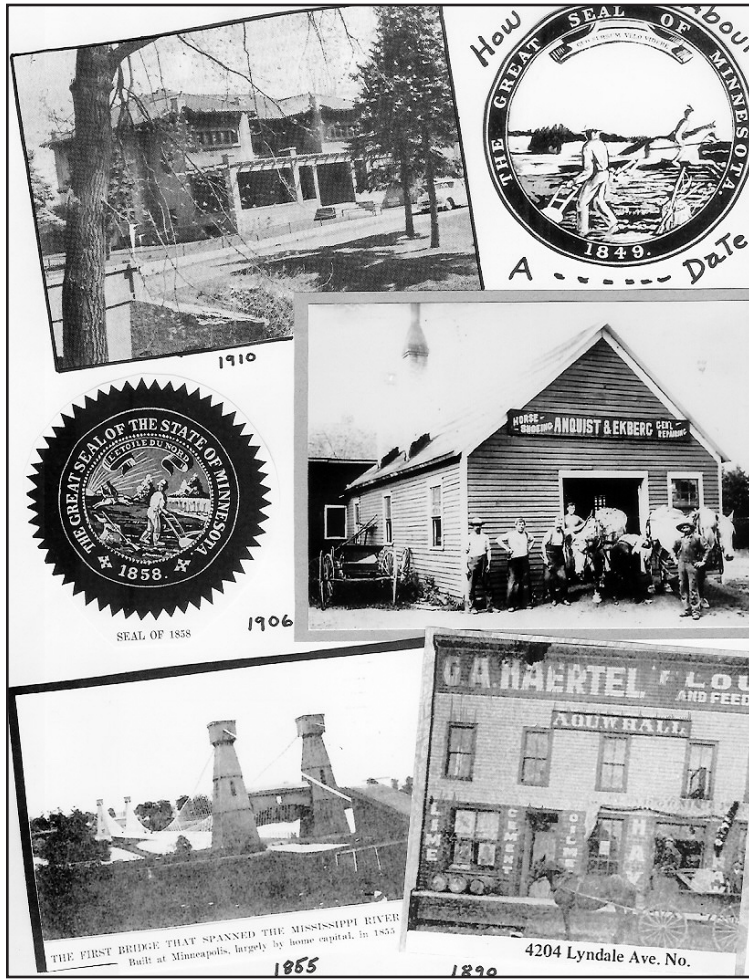


## Behind the Victory Flagpole – How about a date?

By Barbara Meyer Bistodeau

In 1492 Columbus sailed the ocean blue—oh, how we used to recite that date. But we want something a little more current, so here are a few dates to remember.

- 1820 Camp Coldwater became Fort St. Anthony, and later Fort Snelling.
- 1821 First government sawmill at St. Anthony.
- 1832 Schoolcraft discovered headwaters of Mississippi to be Lake Itasca.
- 1837 Treaties with the Chippewas and Sioux brought about the settlement of country above the falls of St. Anthony.
- 1849 Territory of Minnesota was declared and first legislature convened in St. Paul with Gov. Ramsey. First pioneer resident on west side of river—Col. John H. Stevens.
- 1851 First school on west side of river opened by Miss Mary Schofield in an old government log building.
- 1852 Minnesota Territorial Legislature opened west of the Mississippi for claims. Dow and Bohanon laid first claims. Minneapolis named. Hennepin County created.
- 1853 Rufus Farnham migrated to Camden and built a shingle mill.
- 1855 St. Anthony incorporated. Franklin Steele built a suspension bridge connecting Minneapolis and St. Anthony. It was the first bridge spanning the Mississippi.
- 1858 Minnesota became a state.
- 1859 Farnham's shingle mill bought by David Morgan and made in to a flour/grist mill.
- 1860 Settlement made on banks of Shingle Creek with official name of Crystal Lake Township.
- 1862 Indian Uprisings-Sioux War—800 whites killed.
- 1863 First school in area established by Shingle Creek known as Hennepin County School Dist. #2.
- 1867 City of Minneapolis incorporated by act of the Legislature (without St. Anthony)—nine miles square on west side of Mississippi.
- 1872 Cities of Mpls. and St. Anthony were consolidated by act of the Legislature and approved by the Governor. First mayor was Eugene M. Wilson.
- Oswald & Bengenheimer bought David Morgan's Flour Mill, later known as Oswald's Flour Mill.
- 1878 George H. Dow developed a special white sweetcorn marketed as "Early Dow."
- 1881 Water works built a pumping station in lower Camden Park.
- 1882 Crystal Lake Cemetery Assoc. formed by citizens.



- 1883 City's newly formed park board purchased 21 acres at Lyndale and 26th-Farview Park.
- 1885 Remains of Bohanon homestead graveyard transferred to Crystal Lake Cemetery.
- 1886 Mpls. & Pacific RR (SooLine) laid trackage to Camden. City acquired 139 acres on N. Lyndale for a workhouse.
- 1887 Shingle Creek became a part of Minneapolis. G.A. Haertel bought out the Oswald
- Crystal Flour Mill, which then burned down in 1890, with Haertel building a new store on 42nd and Lyndale.
- 1888 Rev. Robert Atchison, a Methodist minister, induced the Mpls. Pacific R.R. to name their depot "Camden Place."
- Ezra Ames built the Ames Hotel, which later became the Lyndale Hotel.
- 1889 First portion of Hamilton Grade School erected at 44th and Girard.
- 1891 Forty acres set aside for Crystal Lake Cemetery.
- 1894 Fire Station # 20 built at 4100 Lyndale Ave. N.
- 1895 "Osseo Trail" was renamed Washington Avenue by the city.
- 1897 Water let into reservoirs at Camden Place and Columbia Heights after seven pumps at St. Anthony were discarded.
- 1906 Anquist & Ekberg blacksmiths was established and later sold to Soley Iron Works in 1929.
- 1908 Hopewell Hospital at 49th and Lyndale was built by city health department for incurable tuberculosis.
- 1910 First moving picture house started in the 4100 block of Washington Ave.
- The Webber Park Branch Library, donated by the Webber family, was established January 1 with first librarian being Miss Lois Goodrich.
- 1912 Lyndale Hotel razed for construction approach to Camden Bridge. Ames & Copeland Grocery and Johnson & Berg Tailors moved from Lyndale Hotel to 4200 block of Washington Ave.
- 1921 Name of Washington Ave. changed to Webber Parkway. Victory Memorial Drive dedicated in June to honor Hennepin County soldiers who died in WWI.
- 1923 The wooden Victory Flagpole was replaced with a bronze one.
- 1927 Patrick Henry began in 1927 as a Junior High. In 1937 it became a Jr./Sr. High School.
- 1930 May 25-Abraham Lincoln statue dedicated.

## City seeks proposals for new Northside bike walk center

As part of its efforts to increase access to physical activity in communities throughout the city, the Minneapolis Department of Health and Family Support (MDHFS) has issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) to operate a new bike walk center in North Minneapolis. The goal of the project is to improve bicycling and walking infrastructure to enable a culture that supports biking and walking for transportation and recreation in North Minneapolis. Up to \$350,000 is available for the development and operation of this center. This is a re-issuance of a previous RFP for a North Minneapolis Bike Walk Center that was released in September 2010; the new RFP contains important modifications.

The new bike walk center will sell bicycles, bicycle-related products, pedestrian goods (reusable shopping bags, compact grocery carts, umbrellas, transit passes and other accessories) and provide bike repair and maintenance services. The bike walk center will also include programming and resources to encourage residents to bike and walk for transportation and recreation.

Potential operators of the bike walk center are invited to submit proposals by March 23. Eligible applicants are for-profit organizations, non-profit organizations or governmental agencies; however the grant funding may only be used to fund the creation of a Bike Walk Center that operates as a nonprofit entity. MDHFS will accept collaborative responses to this RFP from a team of organizations. For application and info visit <http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/dhfs/rfp.asp>.

## Recycle your electronics

Hennepin County has added media recycling to the household electronics recycling program at the county's drop-off facilities. Materials accepted include computer disks, DVDs, CDs, Blu-ray discs, video cassettes, audio cassettes, game cartridges, Secure Digital (SD) memory cards, flash drives, plastic cases and jewel cases, ink jet and laser toner cartridges and vinyl records.

Hennepin County is the first local option to accept such a wide variety of electronic media for recycling. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency estimates that every month approximately 100,000 pounds of CDs become obsolete in the U.S. and more than 5.5 million boxes of software are discarded each year.

Hennepin County drop-off facilities are located at 1400 W. 96th St. in Bloomington, and 8100 Jefferson Highway in Brooklyn Park. The facilities are open Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.; and Saturday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The county still encourages residents to find a reuse option for media items that are in good condition. Residents can trade, sell or donate video games, music and movies. Info: 612-348-3777 or visit [www.hennepin.us](http://www.hennepin.us).



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