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Northside tornado – the work and recovery continue

By Sue Quist

There are events in time, that set you in a place and you will always remember where you were at that moment. If you are old enough, December 7, 1941, the bombing of Pearl Harbor, would be one. Many of us remember where we were when we first heard about the assassinations of President Kennedy and Martin Luther King, Jr., or the landing of Apollo 11 on the moon. More recently there was the fall of the Berlin Wall and September 11, 2001, simply and sadly 911. For those of us who live in North Minneapolis, May 22, 2011 has become one of those events.

Where were you on May 22, 2011, shortly after 2 p.m. in the afternoon? I was in the parking lot of St. Olaf Lutheran Church when the sirens went off for the third time that weekend. Turning on the car radio, I wondered what or if it meant anything for our community. The station reported that a tornado had touched down on Highways 394 and 100 and was heading directly northeast. They warned the residents of Robbinsdale, Crystal, Brooklyn Center and Fridley to take cover immediately. Knowing geography, it seemed to me that it was heading through — the unmentioned — North Minneapolis and I took cover with others in the church basement. With reckless abandon, it tore through our community, starting in Theodore Wirth Park, ripping out trees, tearing off roofs, crushing cars, and wreaking havoc that would spread three to four blocks on either side of its direct path. If you stand at the corner of Glenwood and Theodore Wirth Parkway and look northeast, you will see where it went across the lake, ripping a hole into the Willard/Homewood Neighborhood near Washburn and 11th Aves. It didn't stop until it exited the Camden Community leaving our community, as it had entered, through parkland. It destroyed the beautiful Heron rookery as it left our community. It touched down in Fridley and then it was gone as quickly as it had come, leaving us behind in its path of destruction. Regrettably there were two deaths associated with the tornado, 59-year-old Floyd David

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Tornado recovery resources

Minneapolis Recovers: Northside tornado. <http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/news/tornado.asp>. This website gives you access to info on access to shelter, rental housing, help with first month's rent, legal assistance for help with landlord or insurance company, assistance with fixing your house and more. If you don't have a computer call 311 and ask them to assist you with the specific help you need. The North Regional, Sumner and Webber Park Libraries have computers for you to use.

Northside Permit Office for Tornado Recovery. Hamilton School, 4119 Dupont Ave. Open M-F, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For homeowners and licensed contractors to get the construction and repair permits needed to fix tornado damage. Visit <http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/news/20110531NorthsidePermitsOffice.asp>.

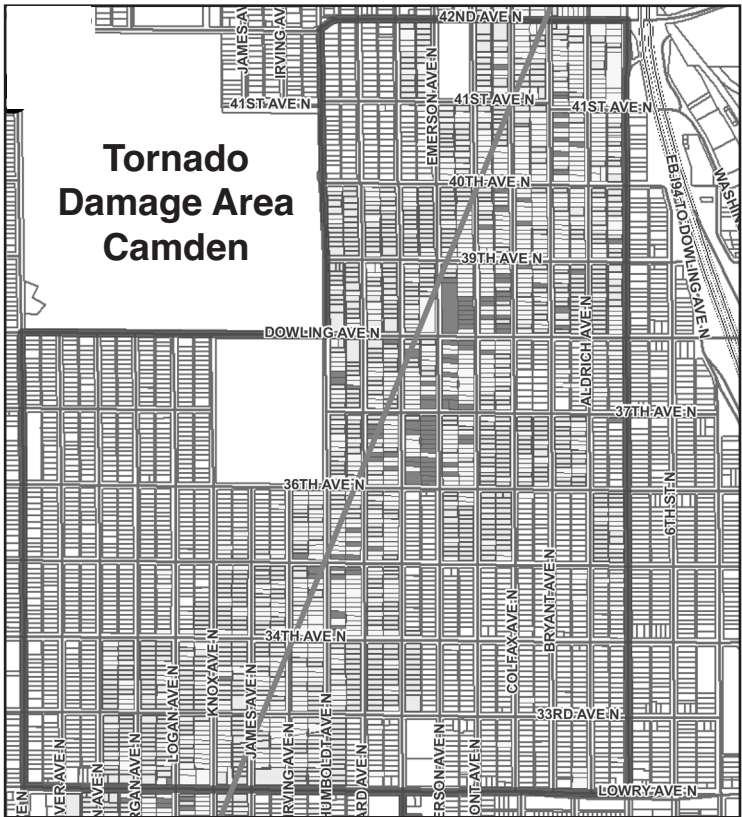
Red Cross Emergency Assistance. Red Cross caseworkers will continue to connect affected families with community resources and help them to navigate the long-term recovery process, meeting one-on-one with the affected people to determine needs, identify available resources and help develop plans for recovery from this disaster. Individuals and families who are affected by the tornado may contact the Red Cross at 612-871-7676 for emergency disaster relief or visit redcrossmn.org.

Neighborhood "Clean Sweep" Events. Call 521-2100 for Webber-Camden and Folwell neighborhoods. Contact your neighborhood organization to find out about your area (see pages 8-9). Volunteers are needed on Saturday, June 25.

Camp Noah – Lutheran Social Services. Camp Noah is a safe, caring and fun environment with curriculum specifically designed to help children heal by processing their disaster experience, for grades 1-6. There are three sites: Salem Lutheran (with North United Methodist) at 42nd and Dupont; St. Olaf Lutheran at 29th and Emerson; and Jordan New Life (with Redeemer Lutheran) at 25th and Newton. Scheduled for the week of August 8.

The Neighborhood Hub. Intensive resource navigation for people affected by the tornado. 3210 Oliver Ave., 612-522-0942.

St. Olaf Community Campus. Community/communal farm offering "Respite and Sanctuary time" free community meals for all tornado victims. *Tornado resources continued on page 5*



When nature strikes nature: Herons and the Northside tornado

By Carol McElroy, Interpretive Naturalist, Kroening Interpretive Center

In the wake of tragedy, nature heals.

The colors of summer have arrived at North Mississippi Regional Park. Yellow and purple prairie flowers brighten the lush green vegetation. Leopard frogs leap into a pond teeming with tadpoles. But a short stroll south of the Kroening Interpretive Center reveals the devastation of the tornado that tore through the park on May 22.

The Great Blue Heron rookery—an "apartment complex" of trees and nests shared by hundreds of birds—is no more. After suffering a direct hit from the EF1 tornado, the island forest has been reduced to a handful of trees.

Dozens of nests—park staff counted 63 this past winter—toppled into the river and onto the island in a split second, taking most of the young heron chicks and many adult herons with them. No one witnessed the event, but heron behavior would indicate that roughly half the birds were off at other ponds and streams, eating and obtaining food for the young. Fortunately, both mates take turns monitoring the nest, which ensures that birds of both sexes survive.

The enormity of the tragedy makes actual numbers irrelevant, but the toll was significant. Herons return each year to the island at North Mississippi Regional Park to embel-

lish remaining nests or make new ones in the rookery. Sixty nests would support 120 adults—all mated pairs—and 120-180 chicks (two to three per nest). We will never know how many herons actually perished.

The tornado skipped across I-94 just north of 42nd Avenue and downed a large swath of trees as it took direct aim at the rookery of the Great Blue Herons. Park naturalist Michelle Anderson was one of four staff and volunteers at the center when the tornado hit. Making her way through fallen trees and debris, she arrived at the rookery to survey the immediate aftermath. Birds who were out feeding during the tragedy returned to no nests, no mates, no young to feed. Returning herons circled and screamed in utter con-



Heron rookery after the tornado. Photo by Steven Hogg.

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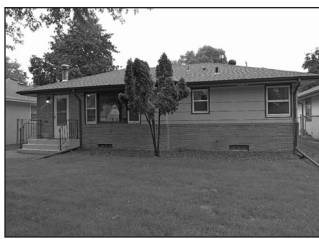
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North Minneapolis residents continue to clean up & rebuild following the tornado. We've had great positive events in Camden to move us forward. The 1st Live on the Drive with Greta Oglesby was fantastic. The Victory Memorial rededication was memorable & really showed off the Parkway area. Interest rates are good & there are still buyer incentives. Contact us or visit our website at www.bainhomes.com for the latest real estate info in Camden & the entire metro.



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Mojo Marshall: Web & Graphic Design, is owned and operated by Jeff Marshall who started his home-based business in 2010. He's a new resident to the Camden Community — he moved in on May 22 — the day of the tornado — quite an auspicious welcome! In 2009 he left his job of five years as operations manager of the Uptown Theatre to pursue his dream of being a designer. His target market is small businesses, restaurants, non-profits, artists, musicians and weddings; he can do anything from an e-commerce website to wedding invitations, to identity packages, to record covers, and can design business cards, logos, letterheads, websites of all varieties, social networking setup, posters, print or web ads, etc. He's available seven days a week, and is easy to get a hold of and accessible throughout entire projects. Because he's a freelance designer his overhead is low which means he has very affordable rates and can work with any budget. Jeff has already

started working the Northside Arts Collective! You can reach him at <http://www.mojommarshall.com>, 612-987-0387 or hello@mojommarshall.com.

A family farm house at 2510 29th Ave. S was redone by **Otogawa-Anschel Design-Build** and highlighted on the Minneapolis-St. Paul Home Tour. The ambitious project turned a small 1900 farmhouse into a comfortable home for a growing family while staying true to the architecture and scale of the neighborhood. The addition is meticulously tied in with the original through a central multi-tier staircase that is worth experiencing. Reclaimed flooring, super insulation and salvaged built-in furniture are just some of the many sustainable features of this whole house remodel and addition. Otogawa has also won the MN Contractor of the Year award in the residential kitchen category. For info/photos visit otogaa-anschel.com.

The City recently approved funding of nearly \$500,000 in grants to Minneapolis business districts. Grants, through the **City's Great Streets Neighborhood Business District Program**, support technical assistance — planning, financial management and education in legal and tax matters — for small businesses. Grants also support business recruitment and marketing efforts aimed at bringing customers to a business district. The

program is one of several finance tools the City offers in support of its small business community: Catalyst Community Partners: \$45,000 for business development and business recruitment. Area: West Broadway Ave.; Lowry Ave North Collaborative: \$30,588 for real estate and market analysis and business organizing. Area: Penn and Lowry Avenues, Emerson and Lowry Avenues, Lyndale & Lowry Avenues; NEON: \$35,000 for business technical assistance. Area: West Broadway Ave., Penn and Lowry Avenues, Emerson and Lowry Avenues, Lyndale and Lowry Avenues. West Broadway Coalition: \$46,550 for web and social media technical assistance, membership drive, networking for businesses and business resource brokering. In addition to providing important goods and services for residents, a significant number of jobs are located in neighborhood business districts.

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Thanks for all the help

I would like to say a personal thank you to my family, friends, neighbors, volunteers from local churches, organizations, MPD and MFD. From immediately after the tornado through days/weeks afterwards, the kindness and support of everyone has been awe-inspiring. Thanks again.

Mary Ann Schissler
Folwell



Community and ingenuity come together on *Sylvia's* closing

For most of us in North Minneapolis, May 22, 2011 will be a memorable date for a long time. While many were in the grips of a terrible storm Workhouse Theatre's (WTC) production of A.R. Gurney Jr.'s *Sylvia* had an unusual closing performance. At 2 p.m. the show started and 15 minutes into the performance, the sirens heralded a tornado warning. A Workhouse Theatre Company member stood outside and watched the clouds as the show continued ready to warn the crowd in case of an emergency. The dark clouds passed quickly and the show continued until the lights went out. The audience members were addressed by WTC Artistic Director, Cris Tibbetts. After about 30 minutes it was decided by all to continue the show without stage lighting.



WTC Company members quickly set up ladders and with borrowed flashlights and lanterns the show went on. The hardy cast of Julie Ann Nevill, Erin Duffy, David Denninger and Johnathan Peterson performed lit only by the glow of flashlights, and helpful front row audience members with cell phone flashlights, sound cues made by WTC Company members, until the lights came back on. During the last 15 minutes the show progressed normally. After the show, it was clear that the audience had a great time even with the technical difficulties. The mood was high and curtain call was met by standing ovation. As people filed out more information came in about the storm and people left to the real world and to check on neighbors and friends affected.

One Workhouse Theatre Company member stated, "This is an experience that will be in my mind for a long time. The attitude and spirit of the audience and cast members was beautiful to see. This experience shows that theatre is an important part of Camden and that the community is with us whatever is going on."

Duanne Atter,
Victory

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We will survive

Tornados don't hit inner cities. North Minneapolis is so close to downtown that the heat island effect will keep it from getting hit. Sure I have seven trees in my yard but the only one that would possibly go down in a bad storm is the maple and it's already leaning toward the street and away from the house. Nope, I'm not concerned about getting hit by a tornado... that's what I thought.

When the sirens went off and the electricity went out I thought it was just a thunderstorm warning. During storm warnings I never go in the basement, what I have is really a cellar rather than a basement, because I'd either be with my old octopus furnace or under the kitchen appliances neither is a great option if something did happen. And besides, tornados don't hit North Minneapolis. I was on the first floor walking through my dining room when one of my inside doors flew open. I went over to close it but couldn't from all the pressure. Just about then I realized there was this weird sound like a horn on a train. That's when it dawned on me; I think this is really a tornado. I stood in the doorway between my dining room and den because it's the center of my house and I thought it was the safest place. I could see branches and leaves blowing around outside my window. My cell phone rang; it was my son calling from his home in Columbia Heights telling me to take cover 'cause the TV said there was a tornado over the Northside. I told him he was too late it had already hit and not to come here until he knew which way it was headed.

I went out my back door. My neighbor's large old oak trees were laying in my yard across what had been my privacy fence. I stepped off the porch to realize that one of my 100+ year-old oak trees had also been ripped from its roots and was laying across my yard and my other neighbor's yard, taking out his fence as well as my electrical and phone lines and had hit my chimney. I couldn't even see my back gate because of all the trees laying in my yard. Then, I went out my front door, and my front yard looked



pretty normal. I noticed that there were trees down blocking Fremont at 34th Ave. People started emerging from their homes and everyone was asking everyone else "are you okay?" Fremont quickly became congested because busses were coming up the street, as well as cars, but nothing could get through because of the downed trees. My son called to say he and his friend were on their way to help me but it would take awhile because they were having to chainsaw and move some trees just to get through. After my son got to my house and we stepped outside to leave to get some dinner and supplies, he put his arm around me and said, "Mom, you need to understand something; you need to take some deep breaths because you are going to be troubled by what you're going to see. Your neighborhood is not the neighborhood you knew any more." He was right, what I saw was disturbing; as was the sadness I saw on the faces of some of the students when I went back to work.

While the tornado was a terrible disaster, my house, my Northside community and I are all still standing, and I have to believe that we will eventually heal and move forward.

Buzzy Bohn,
Folwell

Northside tornado disaster brings the Camden Lions to action

By James Cain

Being smaller volunteer organizations, the actions of our local community volunteers haven't made the big press outlets in the recent tornado disaster.

One such organization here in Camden giving money and time is the Camden Lions. Immediately, the day of the disaster, the Camden Lions applied for emergency funding through Lions Clubs International. They met that first week and planned grocery and eyeglass programs for affected Northsiders. Members volunteered for the cleanup, some staffed a table for free eyeglasses at the Farview disaster center and

others participated in the purchasing, bagging and transportation of groceries to be distributed. To date the Camden Lions have distributed \$10,000 of groceries, 430 bags of non-perishable items and \$4000 worth of bulk groceries supplied to the food shelf at Sanctuary CDC that make up the distribution thus far. They have also given out 20 free prescriptions for eyeglasses through Sears Optical at Brookdale during this time.

Not only did they call on the International Lions to help with funding, but they also made a call to other district clubs who have generously responded with addi-

tional volunteers and money for disaster relief. As a result of this they expect to be able to supply the continuing needs in the community, filling gaps in programs to the tune of another \$7000 to \$8000 in the coming weeks.

Our community organizations and churches have been highly involved in the relief effort. The Camden Lions are just one of them who have responded. And although these groups don't get the big press, rest assured they are out there helping, giving of their time and money in the community.



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Camden Youth & Schools

Henry Asian Club students help others after the tornado

By Jay Clark

On May 28 Henry Asian Club students joined other Hmong students in fanning out across the Northside visiting Hmong families devastated by the May 22 tornado.

Two days before, tornado rescue volunteers were reporting difficulties talking with some Hmong families when doorknocking stricken blocks, because of language challenges and some families being too scared to open the door.

The students visited Henry Hmong families they knew had suffered tornado damage, along with recent immigrant Hmong households most likely to have problems communicating in English. They also walked down blocks looking for telltale signs of Hmong households, such as shoes on the porch, or red and gold rectangles on the front door.

They brought emergency supplies such as food, cleaning goods and diapers. (One student did such a good job of handing out Pampers that he was renamed Dr. Diaper.) They wrote down the problems and needs of the families, so others could bring additional help later. And they provided phone numbers and emergency information for the families to get assistance.

After several hours of doorknocking Hmong houses, the students enjoyed pizza at the University of Minnesota building at Penn and Plymouth.

Some of the students out doorknocking had themselves suffered damage to their own homes and cars.



Loring Community School gets award for getting healthy

On June 13 the Alliance for a Healthier Generation, founded by the American Heart Association and the William J. Clinton Foundation, recognized 275 U.S. schools, including Loring School, for transforming their campuses into healthier places for students and staff.

Loring Community School won a Bronze Award. Loring created a Staff Wellness Committee, which meets every other month to plan and promote healthy living activities for staff. Programs such as morning and after school fitness classes are offered, and healthy snacks are provided at lunch meetings. Students and their families can participate in an after school family exercise program.

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Safer Youth, Safer Minneapolis

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That comprehensive, collaborative, public-health approach has led to safer youth and a safer community. Since 2006 the number of youth arrested for or suspected in violent crime has dropped 56 percent. In the same period, the number of incidents involving guns and youth has dropped 58 percent.

The decrease in youth violence has driven a sharp decline in overall crime rates in Minneapolis. In 2010 citywide violent crime fell to a 28-year low. In addition, in 2011 so far, violent crime has fallen 16 percent more compared to the same period in 2010.

The initiative is guided by the four goals of the initiative's Blueprint for Action: Connect every youth to a trusted adult; intervene at the first sign that youth are at risk of violence; restore youth who have gone down the wrong path; and unlearn the culture of violence in the community.

Comprehensive efforts inspired by the Blueprint's goals have not only cut youth violence, they have led to greater numbers of high-quality summer jobs for youth, higher graduation rates in Minneapolis Public Schools and greater numbers of graduates attending college free of charge.

Attorney General Holder pledged the support of the Obama Administration, the Department of Justice and himself personally in preventing youth violence. He concluded that doing so is "the single most consequential challenge we face in shaping our future. The progress of our nation — and the measure of its people — will be determined by the support we provide and the doors that we open for our children. This is much more than our professional obligation — it is our moral calling."

Selected results of the Blueprint for Action: Preventing Youth Violence in Minneapolis: decrease in youth arrested for or suspected in violent crime, 2006-10: 56 percent; decrease in incidents involving guns and youth, 2006-10: 58 percent; Decrease in firearm-related assault injuries of youth, 2006-10: 36 percent; decrease in percent of Minneapolis 9th graders who strongly agree that "illegal gang activity is a problem at this school": from 42 percent in 2007 to 28 percent in 2010; decrease in homicides of youth, 2006-09: 77percent; decrease in curfew arrests, 2006-10: 57 percent; decrease in number of

pregnancies per 1,000 youth aged 15-17, 2006-09: 36 percent; Increase in number of youth annually in STEP-UP and other City of Minneapolis job programs, 2005-10: 44 percent; number of youth in STEP-UP and other City of Minneapolis job programs: 13,064 since 2005; Increase in Minneapolis Public Schools high-school graduation rates: from 55 percent in 2005 to 73 percent in 2010; number of Minneapolis Public Schools graduates attending college free of charge under Minneapolis Promise 1,648.

The Minneapolis Promise provides young people with high-quality summer jobs, privately-funded college and career centers in every public high school that help them plan a vision for their future, and financial assistance to attend college. Streetreach, a partnership between the City and the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board, engages at-risk youth in four neighborhoods who are not otherwise engaged in positive opportunities. Bike Cops for Kids, takes Minneapolis police officers who serve in Minneapolis Public Schools and puts them on bikes in eight neighborhoods during the summer to continue to build relationships with children and youth, and promotes public safety by giving away free bike helmets and bikes. The Minneapolis Youth Congress, an organization of 55 teens in 8th through 12th grade from neighborhoods across Minneapolis collaborate with elected officials to create and influence public policies that positively affect local youth. The Juvenile Supervision Center, a partnership with Hennepin County, provides safe supervision and other needed services to youth who have been picked up for truancy, curfew or other low-level violations that do not require secure detention. The goal of the center is to halt a youth's progress into the juvenile-justice system and increase connections to school and positive behavior. Speak Up Minneapolis, an anonymous tip line allows youth to phone or text reports of potential violence including weapons in schools, parks, libraries or other locations. A protocol at two Minneapolis hospitals for youth victims of violence that comprehensively evaluates the social, economic, medical, chemical and legal risk factors that the youth faces and makes appropriate referrals for help to community-based agencies. The North 4 Project, is an intensive supportive-employment program for 30 gang-involved youth in four neighborhoods that have been deeply affected by violence and the recession. B.U.I.L.D and the Gang Prevention Mentoring Project, are designed to strengthen and mentor youth who may be gang-affiliated and help them develop personal strengths, relationships and commitments to education and community. Community Power Against Violence, is a media and mobilization campaign in, with and for communities experiencing youth violence and a toolkit of youth violence prevention initiatives for youth, families, practitioners and community.

Bolstering Patrick Henry Hat's off to graduates



The 2011 class of Henry High did the traditional hats off on their graduation in June. The word to the crowd from Dr. Briona Harder was to get crackin' — and to slow down.

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Where the poppies blow

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

The recent rededication of Victory Memorial Drive, brought to mind John McRae's poem *In Flander's Field*.

*In Flander's Fields
the poppies blow
Between the crosses,
row by row.*

Throughout history it seems that after a major war or battle, red poppies would "pop" up on the battlefields and soldiers graves. This is not a supernatural event but a result of the soil being churned up and the dormant poppy seeds coming to the surface and sprouting. The most notorious case of this occurred during the Great War (World War I) in Flander's Fields, Belgium where poppies bloomed in the mortar craters, on mounds of debris and on the soldiers graves; the delicate flower heads bobbing in the breeze.

The Flander's poppy (*Papaver Rhoeas*), or red corn poppy, is the one commonly identified as a poppy. A hardy annual, native to Europe, it has 2-4" fire-engineered blossoms with a black center on a hairy stem. There is a single bloom per stem and the delicate four-petal flower nods easily with any breeze – thus "where poppies blow" – not grow – in the poem. The Flander's poppy is a common

weed in Europe and has become an icon for veterans' organizations around the world. A more commonly grown poppy is a cultivar of the red corn poppy, the Shirley poppy. The standard is a deep scarlet with a black center, but varieties have been developed including double blooms of pink, white, rose and salmon.

The most popular poppy, the Oriental poppy (*Papaver Oriental*), is a cold hardy perennial. The Oriental poppy, a native of Central Asia, has delicate brightly colored 4-6" scarlet-orange flowers, which seem to float atop wiry stems, which like the leaves, are covered with downy hair. Breeding of the Oriental poppy, which began in the 1880s, has resulted in flowers of white, pink, purple, maroon and peach, many with a black blotch at the base. Variations of the petal and margins include singles and doubles with smooth or frilly margins. Optimal growing conditions are well drained soil in full to half day sun. In the right habitat, the Oriental poppy is very low maintenance. It is also very adaptive. In the cool moist conditions of spring the foliage appears and the flowers bloom quickly. During the hotter, dryer days of summer the poppy will go into dormancy, only to spring back to life in the cooler



Fourth Ward Report

Tornado Recovery and Property Values

Appraisers from the City Assessor's Office are out in north side neighborhoods assessing the tornado damage to homes and buildings. If there's damage to a property, the assessor will be recalculating that property's value for 2012 using the property's "as is" value with damage. This will result in a lower property tax for the 2012 tax year. In cases where properties have damage of more than 50 percent, property owners are eligible for a reduction on their 2011 property taxes, plus a credit towards their 2012 property taxes. If the property is homesteaded, the application for the reductions will be handled by the city. If the property is not homesteaded, it's up to the property owners to apply for the reductions. The application forms will be available on the city's website soon. Property owners who qualify will receive reimbursement if they've already paid their 2011 property taxes. If they have not yet paid their 2011 taxes, the county will send them the revised property tax amounts later this year.

For more information about the Minneapolis Tornado Recovery, please visit: <http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/news/tornado.asp>.

Curfew for Minneapolis Youth

It is important for both parents and children to know the

Council Member Barbara A. Johnson

Phone: 673-2204 Fax: 673-3940

Web page: www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/council/ward4

Contact Form: <http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/contact/email-form-johnson.asp>

curfew rules. Hennepin County Ordinance No. 16, Sub. A, B, or C, establishes the times youth are to be at home on weekdays and weekends. Curfews are set for youth ages 17 and under. The first ticket is \$25, the second is \$50, and a third ticket could result in a court date. Youth with a prior record are required to go to court when the first ticket is issued. For more information visit <http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/Police/forms/languages/Curfew.pdf>.

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Fri. and Sat. - Home by 10 p.m.

12-14 years old

Sun. - Thurs. - Home by 10 p.m.

Fri. and Sat. - Home by 11 p.m.

15-17 years old

Sun. - Thurs. - Home by 11 p.m.

Fri. and Sat. - Home by midnight

4th Ward E-Newsletter

Sign up for the 4th Ward E-mail newsletter at: <http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/contact/email-form-johnson.asp>. In "questions/comments" type "newsletter" and you will be added to the list.

temperatures of autumn. Oriental Poppies do not transplant well however. Any root injury will result in stunted growth and lack of bloom, although the plant will sometimes recover after two seasons. They are also sometimes hard to find in garden centers because they do not respond well to the heat and moisture of the greenhouses. Fortunately, you can get dormant plants by mail order or can easily start them from seed.

The California poppy (*Eschscholzia Californica*) or Golden Poppy has been California's state flower since 1903. This perennial is a native of the U.S. sporting bright yellow four-petal flowers on grayish green stems and leaves. While not hardy in zone 4, California poppies are prolific self seeders, so if you do plant some, you are almost guaranteed an abundant spread in

coming years. Breeding has again resulted in California poppies ranging in color from white to red, but the most popular color remains the yellow/orange or golden.

It should be noted that the poppies mentioned above should not be confused with the opium poppy. The opium poppy (*Papaver somniferum L*) is a native of Southeastern Europe and western Asia and is extensively grown in Iran, Turkey, Holland, Poland, Romania, Czechoslovakia, Yugoslavia, Canada and many Asian, Central and South American countries. This poppy is one of the most important medicinal plants. Opium and derivatives of opium are used in the pharmaceutical industry as narcotic analgesics, hypnotics and sedatives. Poppy seeds, which do not contain opium, are used in a variety

of pastries and baked goods for their nutty flavor and aroma, but if you choose to grow poppies it is recommended that you grow them simply for their gentle beauty in the garden.

Tornado resources

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nado impacted residents. Every Tuesday, July-August from 5-7 p.m.

Emerge Community Development. 1101 West Broadway Ave. (Emerson/Broadway- 2nd Floor). Call Paul at 612-529-9267. Hours: 9 a.m.- 5 p.m..

University of Minnesota's Urban Research and Outreach/Engagement Center, 2001 Plymouth Ave. N., 612-626-8762. You can use facilities between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

What you can do about burglary: Do not assume that the person taking or loading items from your neighbor's house is legitimate. When in doubt, call 911. Alert your neighbors and block club members to the problem and be sure to watch out for each other. Remember, the majority of burglars who are caught in the act are caught because a neighbor reported seeing something suspicious. If your neighbor's house is damaged, talk to them about their plans for clean up and repair so you know what to expect. If your home is damaged, secure your personal property and ask your neighbors to keep an eye on your property.

What you can do about fraud: Be wary of anyone going door to door offering home repair services. There are a number of fraudulent home repair and contracting schemes. Watch out for the contractor who approaches you with a deal that's too good to pass up. If someone says that he has materials left over from a job down the street and can give you a great deal, don't believe him. This is a very common scam that can wind up costing you thousands of dollars. All persons soliciting goods or services door to door in Minneapolis must have a Minneapolis Peddler's License. Demand to see their license. If they

are unable to, call 911. Be especially wary of people using high pressure sales tactics, or who won't let you take the time to think it over. If he demands that you sign now, just say no. Always get multiple bids from different contractors before signing any home repair contracts. Be especially wary of contractors who require cash up front.

Tree Collection. Call 311 if you still have tree debris that needs to be removed.

Wells Fargo & Urban League Team Up to Aid Uninsured Homeowners in North Mpls. Their Wealth Accumulation Intersection is working directly with Wells Fargo to help uninsured North Minneapolis homeowners who suffered tornado damage get needed repairs. If you know of anyone in the North Minneapolis whose home suffered structural damage send info to WA Director Nick Jaeger at njaeger@mul.org with name, address, phone number, type of repairs/ help needed. Their Wealth Accumulation staff will compile a list of those households and will work on finding resources to assist them in their recovery. They need this info as soon as possible; there are limited dollars for this project - contact Nick at 612-302-3164.

Legal Aid Society – Helpline for residents with tenant/landlord issues – 612-332-1441.

Volunteer Lawyers Network Helpline for insurance and/or contractor issues 612.752-6677.

Video updates on channel 14 and social media. Staff has been producing regular video updates specifically for Northside folks to give them updates on the work that is being done to help the recovery. Find short videos at <http://www.youtube.com/user/cityofminneapolis>.

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Behind the Victory Flagpole – Born on the 4th – a Bill Jackman story

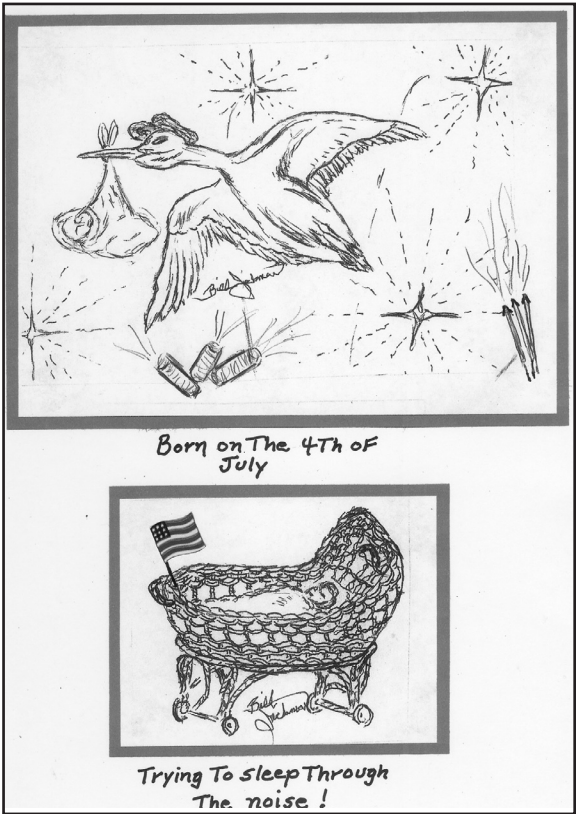
By guest writer **Bill Jackman**

It was nice having a birthday on the 4th of July! It still is. ‘Course every year I watch a parade and fire works. Growing up, I spent every 4th at North Commons Park. There were fantastic celebrations all day long, everyone having a good time. I don’t know why it still doesn’t go on. They had a carnival there every year, with a merry-go-round, a Ferris wheel and the likes. Also, doll buggy parades, gunny sack races, pie eating contests, hollerin’ contests — which were women hollerin’ for their husbands — farm wives usually won that one. There was popcorn, cotton candy, hot dogs and many things to eat. It was called the Northside Picnic and the Northside Parade was on the 4th, too. That went along Broadway; imagine from Fremont to Penn. It was a good parade — like all parades, politicians making points. In those days they’d walk along kissin’ babies. Babes too, I imagine — who knows.

Like all parades, candy was thrown to the kids. There were floats, bands from Northside schools, dance groups that were fantastic, clowns clowning around, and queen candidates, of which later a queen would be chosen for the Northside.

Course all these area celebrations led up to the Aquatennial, which wasn’t just parades but involved many things, a couple of them being the canoe races on the Mississippi and the Aqua Follies. The Follies was a live show of fine diving and fine swimming. A lot of beautiful women swam in unbelievable synchronized formations. I could never figure out how they could go under the water all together and come up at the same time, especially when they went in head first with their feet sticking up in the air. I could always imagine a bee landing on someone’s toe.

The area where this was held had closed-in bleachers and high-dive towers which were roped in where the show took place. It was on a lake, south side of Hwy. 55, just east of the Parkway. You can see the lake from 55 and the show took place on the east shore. It was expensive but well worth the money.



You know, it took me many years before figuring out those fireworks weren’t being shot off and everyone celebrating because I was born. Guess I finally realized there were other kids born that day, too. It was a way to recognize us all. “Hey, Billy’s been born — light up the fireworks.” Those were some good days! I still joke with my grandkids that the fireworks and parade are to do with grandpa’s birthday, a reason to celebrate — course we all know better. They just needed a day they could get by with shootin’ off fireworks!

If you would like to be a guest writer for the Behind the Victory Flagpole column contact Barbara Meyer Bistodeau at wharrison5@cox.net.

Get fresh food at the Camden Farmers Market

The Camden Farmers Market will open the season at The Warren-An Artist Habitat, at 4400 Osseo Road on July 7, from 3 to 7 p.m. Locally grown produce will be available every Thursday this summer — and later in the season you can get fresh flowers too. Opening day will include entertainment — Dan Hylton, Nomi Accoustic Sensation, will provide music and the Cookie Cart will give away free cookies and lemonade. The Doorway will provide free five-minute chair massages. The market will continue each Thursday 3-7 p.m. until the last week in September. Special events and info tables will be announced throughout the season. Pictured are just some of the “pickings” available at the Camden Farmers Market. Photo by Duane Atter.



With so much to do in our community after the tornado, we need to grow our community together

You can help by supporting your local newspaper - the *Camden News*. Thanks to all of you who donated to the Camden News in the past - we appreciate your support. You know that newspapers around the country are failing due to decreased advertising revenue.

So what’s the big deal? It’s very likely that someday the *Camden News* will be an on-line only newspaper. We had the foresight to set up our website 13 years ago, before most U.S. businesses and residents even had Internet access. But the Camden Community has a disproportionate amount of seniors and low income residents who still don’t have a computer or Internet access. As long-time Camden resident Dorothy Hase says, “I enjoy the paper...I hope you never stop publishing. I and many of my friends do not have a computer, so where would we get our news?”

The *Camden Community News* wants to continue printing and delivering free to residents until the need no longer exists. But if we don’t get donations from you and ad money from businesses we won’t be able to publish and mail a hard copy newspaper.

Here are the facts: We have a very lean budget for a small non-profit organization. It costs about \$5000 a month to publish the *Camden News* - that includes printing, labeling, postage, business delivery, typesetting, bookkeeping, editing, taxes, insurance and all the other basic costs of running a small business. Our ad revenues have fallen dramatically and our monthly expenses currently exceed our revenues by about \$600 each month. We come to you twice a year to help supplement ad revenue losses, but we typically only get enough in donations for the total year to pay for one issue of the *Camden News*.

The *Camden News* is a nonprofit, volunteer-run, volunteer-written newspaper delivered free to all Camden homes. Our mission has been the same since 1975: To build bridges, connect neighborhoods, encourage citizen participation, promote local events, people and businesses, and provide a forum for folks who care about the quality of life here in Camden. So please use the enclosed envelope and send in a generous tax-deductible contribution; or mail your donation to *Camden News*, PO Box 11492, Minneapolis, MN 55411. You can save the footwork and stamp and donate online at camdenews.org; click on the Paypal button (you don’t need a Paypal account). And please send us your comments and suggestions.

Thanks for your support,
The *Camden Community News* Board of Directors.

Master plan for Webber Park

The Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board (MPRB) voted at its June 1 meeting to hire the landscape architectural firm Landform to develop a master plan for Webber Park.

The 22-acre park features many amenities, including an outdoor swimming pool, wading pool, basketball and tennis courts, playing field, playground, pond and recreation center. In addition, Webber Park is the only park in Minneapolis that has a Hennepin County library on the premises. Through the master planning process staff and consultants will work with community members to establish a vision for Webber Park.

The pool facility, which was built in 1979, will remain closed for the summer due to structural and mechanical concerns. The master planning process will offer the opportunity to consider a new aquatic amenity for the park. It will also address the long-term recovery from the recent tornado.

Along with park staff, Landform will consult with the community in the development of the master plan through a series of citizen advisory committee meetings. The meetings have not yet been scheduled; once scheduled, residents living within a three-block radius of the park will be notified by postcard. A news release will also be sent to the *Camden News* and to area neighborhood organizations for distribution to their email lists. Check out Webber Park project at www.minneapolispark.org. Park improvements are expected to be under construction in 2012.

Affected by the tornado?

Do you have questions or concerns about your legal rights? If you need questions answered on the devastating tornado that came through “Our” neighborhood, we are here to help with concerns about:

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McKINLEY COMMUNITY

Trash Pick-ups are Back!

See the schedule below or our neighborhood website for up coming dates and locations when McKinley residents help clean the streets.

*** Because this is resident-driven we need your help, so come out and volunteer.***

National Night Out is Coming... Become and Block Club Leader or Key Communicator

Consider starting up or participating in a block club and make your block more connected. Training is available and free. If you are new to McKinley and would like to know if there is currently an organized block club in your area, please contact our community-policing specialist, Rowena Holmes at 612-673-2866. If you are interested in receiving electronic crime and safety notifications from the City of Minneapolis Police Department, please send an email to SAFE4.2-on@ccpsafe.org.

Know a Senior Who Needs Help with Raking, Shovel-ing or other Chores?

Chore Program - low-cost home maintenance services such as routine housecleaning, seasonal jobs, lawn care,

snow removal and minor repairs. Aimed at helping seniors living in their homes (individuals 60 and over). Call 612-374-3322.

Want to Buy a House To Live In? The McKinley Home Ownership Forgivable Loan Program is Available
Call Chris at 612-276-1541 for more details. Other restrictions apply, so call today.

Does Your Home Need Work? Check Out a McKinley Home Improvement Loan

The McKinley Community has a great home improvement loan that is managed by Center for Energy and the Environment and carries an interest rate of only 3%! The application process is easy and loan amounts can be between \$2000 and \$15,000. Call 612-276-1541 for details.

McKinley Calendar of Events

McKinley Community Trash Pick-up Monday, July 11, 7 pm, Corner of North 6th St. and 34th Avenues North

McKinley Board of Directors Meeting Monday, July 18, 6:30 pm, Center for Families, 3333 N. 4th Street

Crime/Safety Meeting Tuesday, July 22, 6:30 pm, Corner of Bryant and 33rd Avenues North

This meeting is focused on Crime, Safety and Livability issues in the neighborhood, please come out and participate.

McKinley Community Trash Pick-up Monday, August 1, 7 pm, Corner of Dupont and 35th Avenues

Notable Neighbors

Jennifer Mitchell, TAP Master Teacher from Sojourner Truth Academy, won the Milken Educators Ambassador for Excellence, as an exceptional Minnesota teacher. She was recently honored with \$25,000 at the Milken Educator Awards, hailed as the “Oscars of Teaching” by Teacher Magazine in Santa Monica, California. The forum joins award-winning teachers and principals with education leaders to share successful strategies for strengthening our nation’s K-12 school system.

If it wasn’t for the thousands of volunteers who selflessly donate their time and talents, the Minneapolis Park System would not be as successful as it is. Congratulations to **Amos Deinard, Jessica Hill, Rodney Lossow, Brad Pass, Steve Young** and other mentors who received the **Youth-line Intensive Gang Prevention**

Program Mentors Award. They volunteer in the Folwell, Hawthorne, Jordan and McKinley neighborhoods. The mentors develop long-term relationships with area youth, spending time with them weekly to focus on supporting the youths’ growth and development, strengthening community connections, reducing youth participation in risky behaviors, and helping youth develop and pursue personal, educational and professional goals. As one mentor said, “It is with pride that I am part of a team of 30 mentors who have provided more than 2,000 hours of mentorship to youth in some of the most challenging neighborhoods in North Minneapolis. By volunteering, I am part of the solution and I am making a difference.”

A large crowd gathered at the Pantages Theatre for the Min-

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Shingle Creek Neighborhood Association

P.O.Box 15656, Minneapolis, MN 55415;

Web Site: www.scna-mpls.org

Email: scna@gmail.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 Board meeting July 12, 6:30 p.m. at Creekview Park

The 5th Annual Tour De Camden An Associated Aquatennial event July 23 - 9 a.m.-noon Creekview Park, 5001 Humboldt Ave N

Inspired by the Tour de France, the Shingle Creek Neighborhood Association is pleased to announce the “5th Tour de Camden,” Saturday, July 23, 9-noon at Creekview Park, 5001 Humboldt Ave N.

Take a leisurely bike ride through the seven Camden Community neighborhoods of Minneapolis on the last day of the Aquatennial. This free community ride is designed to have various points of interest and be another great opportunity for neighbors to get to know each other and their neighborhood. This year we are honored to officially be an Associated Aquatennial event for 2011! Tour de Camden is FREE! Commemorative t-shirts and Taste of Camden \$10. (Food and can good donations for local food shelf will be collected to assist those recovering from the tornado.)

You must register at by Wednesday, July 20

Everyone welcome! Remember helmets are required. For more information contact SCNA at mpls-scna@gmail.com or 763-561-1616 or go to www.scna-mpls.org.

Large or small projects welcome!

Need to put in a new sidewalk? New furnaces, windows, roofs and many more project qualify using the SCNA Home Improvement Loan Program! Attractive rates! SCNA homeowners are eligible for low or no interest rates for home improvement loans. The minimum loan is \$1,000. FFI: Call Brenda Yaritz at 612-335-5891 Center for Energy and Environment (CEE) for more details! Or go to our website at www.scna-mpls.org to check out an application and more details!



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All the News from Victory Neighborhood

Camden Farmers Market opens July 7

The Camden Farmers Market returns for its fourth season on July 7 in the parking lot of The Warren at 4400 Osseo Road. Don’t miss the expansive offering of locally grown fruits, vegetables, herbs and flowers, every Thursday, 3-7 p.m. through September. Also enjoy live music, get a free chair massage, learn how you can order locally raised grass fed-beef, and ask a master gardener all your gardening questions. It’s the place to be every Thursday this summer.

Garden Tour– August 7 - Call for Gardens

The ViNA Environment Committee announces their 3rd annual Garden Tour. Our goal for this year is to showcase all corners of Victory as well as a diverse range of gardening styles. All of you gardeners out there – and we know you are many – please considering sharing your garden and your knowledge, passion, wisdom and enthusiasm with the rest of the neighborhood. We plan to have master gardeners at many of the gardens to help you answer questions from visitors.

If you are interested in opening your garden for the tour, please call or email the ViNA office for an application or more info on how your garden may fit into this year’s tour. Remember a garden is always a work in progress – it will never be “finished.”

Home Security Rebates still available

All Victory residents whether homeowners or renters as well as rental property owners are eligible for a home security rebate for 50 percent of the cost (up to \$125) of improvements that will enhance the safety of the property they own or at which they reside. Eligible improvements may include deadbolt locks, security strike plates, window pins, security storm doors and other items.

The first step to receive a rebate is to schedule a Home Security Check with MPD Crime Prevention Specialist (CPS) Mary Etzioni. She must sign the application form, which is available from ViNA, approving the home security improvements you plan to make. Mary Etzioni can be reached at 612-673-3364 or mary.etzioni@ci.minneapolis.mn.us.

The Lind Bohanon Neighborhood Association

Message Line: 612-588-7641 • email: LindBohanonNA@aol.com • 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, July 7 LBNA Board Meeting

Neighbors getting together in real time about bettering the neighborhood! Check us out one time — See what’s it’s all about!

Many thanks to all those who participated in this year’s Camden Community Garage Sale!

Thanks to you, LBNA raised enough funds to buy hot dogs and buns for this year’s August 2 National Night Out Picnic in the Park!

LBNA wishes to thank David Zander for volunteering to help LBNA by being a representative to attend Mississippi Riverfront Partnership!

There are many new and exciting things coming to our neighborhood from this riverfront development. It’s because of volunteers like Mr. Zander, LBNA can have a voice at the table and help stay up to date about what’s going on that could affect us as a neighborhood.

Camden Youth Engagement Project: Youth-CARE Crew Grand Slam Spring!

Two van loads of youth went to the Burnsville Grand Slam to celebrate the third year of the Camden Youth Engagement Project (CYEP). The McKnight Foundation and Shingle Creek Neighborhood Association in partnership with YouthCARE had



our positive Camden youth planning and hosting a documentary, skating, a youth bbq, and community service. CYEP CS Summer Stars projects got underway in June. Be watching the *Camden News* for more updates soon! Want to know more? Contact us at lindbohanonna@aol.com or 612-588-7641.

LBNA Home Improvement Loan Program Helps

The Lind-Bohanon Neighborhood Association through the Neighborhood Revitalization Program (NRP) funding provides several different loans for residents to take advantage of to help improve their properties. This program offers residents attractive home loans at below market rates! For more information contact Brenda Yaritz, Center for Energy and Environment 612-335-5891.

Any questions contact LBNA staff at 612-588-7641 or email us at lindbohanonna@aol.com.

Folwell Neighborhood – NRP in Action!

New Folwell residents let us know you’re here! Call 612-521-2100; email: info@folwell.org;

website: folwell.org. Office location: 1206 37th Ave. N.,

M-Th, 9 a.m.– 5 p.m. Al Saless-Chair, Folwell Neighborhood Association.

FNA Board Meeting: The July FNA Board of Directors meeting is rescheduled to Monday, July 12, due to the July 4th holiday.

Live on the Drive: What a great way to spend a warm, summer evening in July and August; a concert series featuring live music on Victory Memorial Drive (34th and Xerxes). Pack a picnic. Invite your friends. Bring your neighbors. Summer 2011 concert dates in July and August: Thursday, July 14, 6-8 p.m. (La Gran Charanga) and Thursday, August 11, 6-8 p.m. (Care Accordion Orchestra).

Events coming up worth noting: WCNO’s Truck Extravaganza, August 13, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Weber Park. September 17 is the date of Harvest Fest, 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. on the corner of Penn/Lowry. At the Harvest Fest, there will be artists’ booths, a farmers’ market, food vendors, music, entertainment, a kids’ zone (which includes JoJo the Balloon Guy, a puppet theatre performance, clowns, activities and lots of fun for the kids), and more.

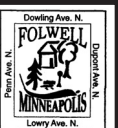
Seniors: To learn about the UCare Skyway Senior Center or sign up to receive the newsletter *Chatter*, call 612-370-3869, or you may visit www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/seniors. On the website, there is information about the Senior Ombudsman’s Office, Senior Citizen’s Advisory Committee, the Minneapolis Advisory Committee on People with Dis-

abilities, other contacts, grant opportunities and more.

AARP Defensive Driving Class-4-Hour Refresher Course: Saturday, July 23, 10 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Bring a bag lunch. Coffee is provided. Cost: \$12-AARP members; \$14-non-members. For information call Ruth Brown at 612-529-4912 or to register call Folwell Park at 612.370-4917.

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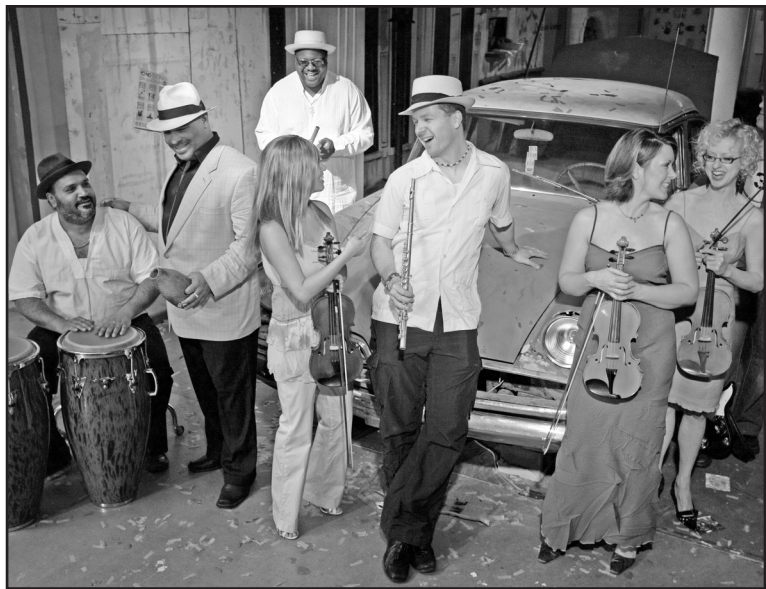


Camden Arts

A grand evening with La Gran Charanga Live on the Drive!

By Janet Zahn

It'll be another great evening of great music in the neighborhood when the 10-piece all-star group La Gran Charanga brings their romantic boleros, hip-shaking meringues and salsa music to Live on the Drive, Thursday, July 14, 6-8 p.m., at 34th Avenue North and Victory Memorial Parkway, one of the most beautiful concert settings in the city. The event is free.



Some of the members of La Gran Charanga.

After a trip to Cuba in 2010 band founder Doug Little formed La Gran Charanga, an ensemble that mirrors the super star Cuban bands that play every night in Havana.

The band features a powerful array of musicians from top Twin Cities salsa bands such as Sencación Latina, Charanga Tropical and Salsabrosa, and a rich instrumentation including horns, violins, singers and a full Latin rhythm section.

Fans of the band have described their music as “undeniably engaging,” “remarkably refreshing,” “intriguing, danceable,” and “astoundingly delicious.” It'll truly be a movin' evening on the Drive.

Pack a picnic, invite your friends and bring your neighbors. This is a delightful way to celebrate summer together. Concert-goers are encouraged to save gas and walk or roll to the concert.

Live on the Drive is presented by founding partner, North Memorial, with the Cleveland Neighborhood Association, the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board, North End Hardware and the Lowry Café, Camden Music School, *NorthNews*, the COMPAS Community Arts Program with funds provided by the McKnight Foundation, The Capri Theater, Washburn McReavy, and the Victory, Webber Camden and Folwell Neighborhood Associations (sponsors to date). For info call 612-588-1155 or visit www.liveonthedrive.org.

Camden Music School recognized as Musikgarten Exemplary Program

By Janet Zahn

Musikgarten, a leader in early childhood music and movement education and group piano instruction, held its 13th annual Musikgarten Teacher Festival last month in Greensboro, North Carolina. Teachers from all over the U.S. and Canada participated in three days of music-making and seminars, covering topics from group piano teaching techniques to helping parents understand the importance of aural methods in music education.

During the Festival a select number of teachers were recognized for their outstanding Musikgarten Studios. Camden Music School's Musikgarten teachers Annie Frohlich and Nancy Van Kampen were awarded the 2011 Musikgarten Exemplary Program Award. This award signifies that Camden Music School offers a full complement of Musikgarten classes for children age newborn to eight. CMS is one of only 85 programs in North America to receive this prestigious award for 2011.

Musikgarten, based in Greensboro, specializes in early childhood music and movement programs for children from birth to age nine, and group piano for both children and adults. The Musikgarten curriculum is widely recognized as essential in helping young children develop valuable social, emotional, musical, and physical skills. For info visit www.musikgarten.org. For info on Camden Music School: info@camdenmusicschool.com or visit www.camdenmusic-school.com.

Workhouse continues *Torch Song Trilogy*

Workhouse Theatre Company (WTC) ends its 2010-11 season with the ground-breaking, award-winning comedy *Torch Song Trilogy* by Harvey Fierstein; it opened June 17 and runs through July 3. *Torch Song Trilogy* tells the story of Arnold, a drag queen with a heart of gold, who refuses to let low self-esteem, societal prejudices or his outspoken mother, keep him from having it all. The show is directed by Richard Jackson, who previously staged WTC's award-winning production of *'night, Mother* in 2008. The cast features Joseph Botten, Rory Taylor Gilbert, Shannon Jankowski, Steven Johnson, Miriam Monasch and Max Wojtanowicz. The stage manager for the show is Stacy Kohout. The design team includes Dennis Diens (set), Kat Pepmiller (costumer), Mathew Foster (props), and WTC Managing Director Mark Webb (lights and sound).

Torch Song Trilogy won 1983 Tony Awards for Best Play and Best Actor (Harvey Fierstein). *Newsweek* called it, “a very funny, poignant and unabashedly entertaining work that, so help me, is something for the whole family...the zappiest evening of theatre you could ask for.” The original Broadway production starred Fierstein, Matthew Broderick and Estelle Getty. A popular 1988 film version starred Fierstein, Broderick and Anne Bancroft.

With *Torch Song Trilogy*, WTC Artistic Director Cristopher Tibbetts hopes to launch an annual Pride Production. “We hope to honor the diversity of the GLBT population—in our city, our state, our country, and in the arts in general—by offering a seminal work during Pride Month.” Tibbetts is quick to point out that *Torch Song Trilogy* is not exclusively enjoyed by gay audiences, “I think it's a play you'll only relate to if you've ever been a parent...or a child.”

Torch Song Trilogy continues on June 24, 25, and July 1 and 2 at 7 p.m., and June 26 and July 3 at 2 p.m. **Please note the earlier start times for the evening performances.** All performances are at The Warren-An Artist Habitat, 4400 Osseo Road. At each performance all Camden residents can get two tickets for \$15. For info call 612-216-1583 or visit www.workhousetheatre.org.



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Note: There is NO July WCNO Board Meeting. The next board meeting is Thursday, August 4, 6:30 p.m. at the office.

Coming August 13 – The second annual WCNO Truck Extravaganza at Webber Park, 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. Watch for more information soon.

Thank you: Webber-Camden Neighborhood Organization wishes to thank the volunteers, agencies, families, friends, neighbors, Minneapolis Police Department and the Minneapolis Fire Department who have been supportive and helpful to North Minneapolis residents in the tornado aftermath.

Live on the Drive: What a great way to spend a summer evening in July and August; live music on Victory Memorial Drive (34th and Xerxes). Invite your friends. Bring your neighbors and pack a picnic. 2011 concert dates: Thursday, July 14, 6-8 p.m. (La Gran Charanga) and Thursday, August 11, 6-8 p.m. (Care Accordion Orchestra).

Events coming up worth noting: Harvest Fest, September 17 from 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. on the corner of Penn/Lowry. What's at the Harvest Fest? Artists' booths, farmers' market, food vendors, music, entertainment, a kids' zone (which includes JoJo the Balloon Guy, a puppet theatre performance, clowns,

activities and lots of fun for the kids), and more.

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Seniors: To learn about the UCare Skyway Senior Center or sign up to receive the newsletter *Chatter*, call 612-370-3869, or you may visit: www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/seniors.

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Live on the Drive - July 14

Walk or roll on down to 34th and the Parkway for the second concert of the 2011 Live on the Drive concert series on July 14 at 6 p.m. The concert will take off in grand fashion with the 10-piece all-star group, La Gran Charanga. This exciting ensemble brings together musicians from top Twin Cities salsa bands such as Sencacion Latina, Charanga Tropical and Salsabrosa, including three-time Latin Grammy nominee Viviana Pintado on piano and vocals, and Doug Little on flute and saxophone. The band's rich instrumentation (horns, violins, singers, and a full Latin rhythm section) and their repertoire of romantic boleros, hip-shaking meringues and salsa, salsa will make it a grand evening on the Drive.

Garden Tour – July 10

The 9th annual Cleveland Garden Tour will take place on Sunday, July 10 from 1-5 p.m. The tour will begin at 3535 Russell Ave. N. where you can pick up a tour guide showing the ad-

dresses and descriptions of the gardens for this self-guided tour. Each garden will also be marked with a garden tour sign.

If you are interested in sharing your garden on the Garden Tour, please contact the CNA office for a registration form. Or find one on the CNA website www.clevelandneighborhood.org. We will need your registration by July 1.

Calling all youth - Drop in at Cleveland Park

Great things are happening in Cleveland Park for youth of all ages with activities that include small and large group cooperative games, arts and crafts and supervised play equipment areas. The program runs Monday through Friday, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. until August 12. Breakfast and lunch is served daily; artists will be conducting workshops three days a week and there is a field trip every Friday. Don't be left out – it is not too late to drop in at Cleveland Park any Monday through Thursday to register. This summer program is a partnership between the Pohlada Family Foundation, PCYC and the Cleveland Neighborhood Association.

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. 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.

July

Arts

Ongoing-Ten artists, whose Northside roots span from 1920s to today, featured at Homewood Studios, 2400 Plymouth N. thru June 29, in “**The Northside Today: Memory, Place, Home, Community.**” Looking at the Northside through the multiple lenses of memory, place, home and community, they have created visual interpretations using the media of painting, textile, photography, digital drawing and sculpture. Open Tuesday, 5-9 p.m., Wednesday 1-6 p.m., Friday 1-6 p.m., Saturday 1-4 p.m., and by appointment. The gallery is also open on Sunday afternoon, June 26, as part of a daylong series of “Northside Today” festival activities. Don’t miss these additional Festival activities - a talk by Northside native and nationally recognized visual artist Seitu Jones, a hands-on art workshop for teens focusing on place and memory led by George Roberts, and a tour of Plymouth Ave. led by urban historian Eric Nathanson. Info: 951-381-3449.

Ongoing- A summer filled with music is a summer well spent. Join Camden Music School for Musikgarten early childhood classes, vocal or instrumental lessons, ensembles (including rock ‘n roll, choir, hand drums and more), or music theory classes. All ages and abilities welcome. Brush up on something – or try something new – just don’t let your creative pilot light go out this summer! Summer Term: July 11-August 19 (six weeks). Four Summer Camps: Roots of Glee, July 11-14, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., for students who’ve just completed grades 1-5. Musikgarten Nature Trail, July 18-21, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., ages 4-7. Monkey Mind Pirates, 9 a.m.-noon, July 25-29, ages 8-11. Camp Komoniwannarock, August 1-4 and 8-11, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. for students who’ve just completed grades 5-8. Camps are filled on a first come, first served basis. Call for registration deadlines. Scholarship deadline: noon, July 5. Family discounts available. Info: 612-618-0219 or www.camdenmusicschool.com.

Ongoing Mondays - The Northside Arts Collective board of directors meets on the first Monday of each month, starting at 6:30 p.m. Their regular meeting space experienced damage from the tornado and is unavailable at this time. Email info@nacarts.org for location.

Ongoing Mondays - Artist Roundtable meets monthly on the third Monday of each month at 6:30 pm. Email info@nacarts.org or visit www.nacarts.org for exact location.

Friday, 7/8 - Artist Reception: David Hoffman. The Goddess of Glass & Friends, 6-9 p.m. Welcome Camden resident and Ascension art teacher David Hoffman to the gallery. His work ranges from pen and ink drawings to three-dimensional paintings. Free and open to the public. The Goddess of Glass & Friends unique gifts + fine art + custom framing, 2205 Lowry Ave N. Thursday - 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Friday-Saturday - 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Sunday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Support local business + support local artists. 612-521-0399, www.goddessofglass.com

Wednesday, 7/27 - Northside Children’s Concert, 1 p.m. Farwell Park, 1201 Sheridan Ave. N. *Rain-site at Bethune Elementary, 919

Emerson Ave. N, Join the Minnesota Sinfonia for fun music featuring the story of Peter and the Wolf performed by Northside children and a performance by the Unlimited Next Level Drill & Dance Performing Arts Group.

Thursday, 7/28 - Northside Music and Arts Festival. Sounds of Blackness to perform prior to the Minnesota Sinfonia. Enjoy children’s activities with the Walker Art Center, view displays from local artists, listen to local musicians, grab a bite to eat and enjoy a performance of Peter and Wolf put on by Northside children. Free. 5 p.m. North Commons Park, 1801 James Ave. N. *Rain-site at North High, 1500 James Ave. N.

Saturday, 7/30 - Save the date for FLOW: A Northside Arts Crawl. For info and artist application go to www.FLOWNorthside.org.

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.

Saturday, 7/23 - To celebrate **100 years** on the block **St. Olaf Lutheran Church** puts on a community revival with music, innovative proclamation of the good news, a carnival, barbecue and raffle from 1-7 p.m. at 2901 Emerson Ave. N. Tickets for games and food cost 10 cents each. Raffle tickets \$1. Call 612-529-7726 to volunteer.

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.

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Ongoing - Camden Lions General Meeting, second Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. Social meeting, fourth Wednesday at a local restaurant. Join in making this a better community for all! For info and meeting locations call Jim Cain, 612-521-1903. Visit 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. For general info visit www.4PAC.org.

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.

Ongoing - Camden Movies in the Park: July 15 at Bohanon Park; August 27 at Victory Park. Movies begin at dusk. There will be one more movie along Victory Memorial Drive but the date is yet to be determined.

Tuesday, 6/28 - Bottineau Transitway open house about the Bottineau Corridor. Hennepin County staff and Kimley-Horn Consulting Team present alternative analysis study results, info on input received to date, and a process overview. The public can give verbal or written comments. 6:30-8 p.m. UofM Urban Research and Outreach-Engagement Center 2001 Plymouth Ave. N. Info: www.bottransit.org or send comments to Bottineau@co.hennepin.mn.us.

Thursday, 7/7 - A Taste for Learning. Come join “A Taste for Learning” wine and beer tasting social to benefit the students of Sacred Heart Catholic School, 4087 West Broadway. Sample 80 wines and 40 beers from around the world. 7:30-9:30 p.m. Advance tickets at Sacred Heart Church office for \$20/person, or \$22/person at the door. Designated driver tickets \$10.

Saturday, 7/23 - Fifth Annual Tour De Camden. 9 a.m.-noon, Creekview Park, 5001 Humboldt N. Bike thru the seven Camden neighborhoods. This free ride has various points of interest - a great opportunity for neighbors to get to know each other. Commemorative t-shirts and Taste of Camden, \$10. (Food and can good donations for local food shelves will be collected to assist those recovering from the tornado.) Register at www.scna-mpls.org by July 20. Helmets required. Info: mpls-scna@gmail.com, 763-561-1616 or www.scna-mpls.org.

Libraries

Ongoing Mondays - The Friends of Webber Park Library invite you to join them at upcoming meeting June 6 at 6:30 p.m. Info: 952-847-8109 or webberpark@supportclib.org.

Ongoing: There’s always lots to do at North Regional and Webber Libraries. For a complete program/class calendar list visit <http://www.hclib.org/pub/events/>.

Ongoing - Hennepin County Library’s free JobNow, a real-time online resume and job interview coaching service. Connect with a carefully-screened job coach who offers resume feedback, interview coaching, resources for your job search and other career tips. Available 1-11 p.m. seven days a week: www.hclib.org/Jobs.

Parks

Ongoing, 6/13-8/26 - Summer Stars at Creekview Park. 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday thru Friday and the cost is

\$12 per day or \$60 per week. Activities include swimming, canoeing, field trips, arts and crafts, environmental programs, Art with the Minneapolis Institute of Arts, gardening, sports, group games and much more. Daily lunch and snack included. No class July 4. Contact Creekview Park for info at 612-370-4965.

Sunday, 6/26 - Free Family Fun Day: Frog Legs. 1-3 p.m., ongoing, Kroening Interpretive Center. Discover how far different frog species can jump. Play the frog Olympics game and see if you can jump as far as a green frog. Identify Minnesota frogs by the songs they sing. Meet some live frogs. Free. Ages: All.

Saturday, 7/2 - Nature’s Fireworks. 1-3 p.m., Kroening Interpretive Center. Celebrate the 4th by discovering rockets, lights and explosions caused by nature! You’ll build your own volcano, watch it erupt, and search the park for volcanic rocks left here by ancient eruptions. Learn firefly codes and tricks, where to find glowing fungus, and how some animals explode to protect themselves. Explore water pressure and see how far you can launch a water rocket. \$5. Ages: 4+.

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neapolis MOSAIC Talent Show to watch **Armoni Jackson** take first place honors on June 4. A 9th grader at Edison High School, Jackson performed *Listen* by Beyonce to win the first prize of \$500 from the Edward R. Bazinet Village Scholars Program. Info: www.minneapolismosaic.com or 612-655-1907.

How do you find out who you are in a world with literally infinite selection? So asks Aviva, the main character in *Knit One/Purl the Other* by Sharon DeMark. Part of the 2011 Minnesota Fringe Festival, *Knit One/Purl the Other* tells the story of Aviva who made a monumental decision 19 years ago when she was just 16 and really hasn’t made any decisions since. The only stable factor of her life is the weekly knitting group with best friends. Performances at Theater in the Round, 245 Cedar S. on August 6-13. Times and ticket info at www.fringefestival.org or 866-811-4111.

Augsburg College women’s golfer **Stefani Zappa** was named the Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference’s nominee for the **2011 NCAA Woman of the Year Award**. One of the top women’s golfers in Augsburg history, Zappa finished her career third on the college’s all-time list with an 88.90 career stroke average, with five medalist honors and nine top-10 finishes in 29 career meets. All four of her single-season stroke averages rank among the top 23 in school history. Zappa was a two-season captain and two-time team Most Valuable Player. Zappa also earned dean’s list honors each of her seven se-

Sunday, 7/3 - Free Family Fun Day: Wonderful Water. 1-3 p.m., ongoing, Kroening Interpretive Center in North Mississippi Regional Park. Explore how water works, play a water cycle game, and launch a water rocket. Free. Ages: All.

Saturday, 7/9 - River Fish. 1-3 p.m., Kroening Interpretive Center. Use a minnow seine and waders to catch minnows and help the naturalist identify the collection. Look at minnows close up to study them in the lab. Look at fish scales under a microscope to determine how old the fish was. The naturalist will dissect a fish to display the internal organs. Make a fish print to take home. \$5. Ages: 6+.

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, 3811 Emerson. Info at naminnesota.org/ or call 952-939-3939.

mesters at Augsburg, and has been involved in community service projects including the Augsburg Campus Kitchen program, Feed My Starving Children charity, a Native American youth center and AVID tutoring. She also served as an Augsburg Student Ambassador/Tour Guide, Student Tutor coordinator and as a volleyball coach.

Congratulations to college graduates! The Art Institutes International Minnesota honored graduates **Zachary House**, A.S. in Graphic Design, and Jenny Sinn, a B.S. (with honors) in Graphic Design. **Alyssa Niedenfuer** graduated from Mankato State with a MPA in Public Administration. **Allison Shea Mastel** graduated from UW-Milwaukee with a B.S. in School Arch & Urban Planning. **Franklin Thao** got a Biology degree from Gustavus Adolphus. **Rochelle Sweeney** graduated from UW-Stout with a M.S. in Technology Management. **Traci Murphy**, daughter of Bruce and Jeanette Murphy, received a B.A. in Political Science from Hamline University. And **Trevor J Book**, son of James and Lorri Book, got his B.A. degree from Central College.

Congratulations to **college honor students**. **Elizabeth Dircz**, **Angel Fahn** and **Ryan Laechelt** made the dean’s list at Normandale Community College. **David Riley**, College of Social Sciences, Community Development made the dean’s list at St. Cloud State.

Do you have a Notable Neighbor? Send the info to editor@camdenews.org.

Kenna-Camara Cottman

“When you are Black and creating a work, Blackness is in it!”

By Mick LaBriola

The electric, enigmatic and stunning energy of Kenna-Camara Cottman is a highly contagious and exciting experience. Black dance artist, choreographer, musician and educator, Kenna has an intense commitment to her art and to becoming a Black American Griot in the Malinke (Mandinka) traditions of West Africa. (You can reach Kenna via her web site <http://voiceofculturaldance.com/camara/>.)

Kenna’s current work consists of two major segments: First, she is Artistic Director of Voice of Culture Drum and Dance, an association of young artists who are dedicated to West African arts and culture; second is Kenna’s contemporary/original work emphasizing West African and Hip Hop dance and culture. (This includes her role as a principal dancer of Ananya Dance Theatre, building community and social justice for women of color, and being a member of Baato Askan Wii Drum and Dance in Gambia, West Africa.)

Kenna has two children: Yonci, her 12-year-old daughter; and her four-year-old son, Ebrima. Kenna has resided on the Northside for 12 years. Kenna also attended North High School where her mom Beverly Cottman taught biology.

As a child, Kenna states, “Art was a given and art was all around” in her household. Her mom Beverly was painting, weaving and dancing, as well as teaching for a living; her dad Bill was writing and doing photography, as well as working as an engineer for Honeywell.

Kenna recalls at age four or five participating in the production of *Medea* at the Jewish Community Center with her mother. They needed children to perform roles and suddenly Kenna was on stage. However, Kenna elaborates, “I was always given a choice to get involved with my mom’s projects, I was never forced.” Kenna also recalls going to many of Morris Johnson’s dance classes with her mom. The totality of her art experience at a young age Kenna calls “Art Centricity!”

Along with this unique exposure to art came the very empowering experience of “Afro Centricity,” a vital sense of



pride of her Blackness and appreciation of African Roots and African-American heritage. Kenna has trained with a host of West African artists, such as William Atchouellou and Henriette Gbou of Cote D’Ivoire; Fode Moussa Camara and Mouminatou Camara of Guinea; Zalika Reid of Jamaica; Rich Baba Faye and Muse Sarr of Senegal; and Francis Kofi and Christian Adeti of Ghana.

Kenna’s journey to creating her own art work came after her formal school training. Kenna received a teaching degree from the University of Minnesota and went on to a Master’s Degree in Elementary Education. After concluding five years of conventional teaching, Kenna began teaching at Harvest Prep School/Seed Academy where she was given an opportunity to teach subjects of her own discretion. Thus she began courses in theater, dance, music and media. This was a turning point in Kenna’s career as she says, “This was feeding me.”

In 2004 Kenna was working as an administrator in the offices of COMPAS, an arts organization. She then had the opportunity to work as a member of COMPAS’s artist roster and as Kenna states, “Went out on a limb, doing my own art.” Kenna

then was teaching art courses for educators at the Perpich Center for Arts Education.

“Since I quit my straight job and became a full-time artist I have not been idle,” Kenna enthusiastically expresses.

Kenna is on the performing artist rosters of COMPAS and Young Audiences of Minnesota, teaches Hip Hop and West African concert dance at the University of Minnesota; Thought & Motion for WEWin Rites of Passage; and classes at Ballare Teatro School of Dance.

Kenna is working on choreography projects with James Sewell Ballet and YoungDance, and is the recipient of a Momentum 2011:New Dance Works production grant from the Southern Theater and the Walker Art Center. Kenna is the curator of Black Choreographers’ Evening ‘03-‘05 and African Nights 2010 at Patrick’s Cabaret. She has performed the work of Roxane Wallace, Leah Nelson, Aneka McMullen and Morris Johnson - all Minnesota dance artists with national and international acclaim. Outside of her culture, Kenna works with cutting-edge performers like Pramila Vasudevan and April Sellers.

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Worship in Camden

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41st & Thomas Ave. N.
Masses
T, W, Th, F – 8 a.m.
Sat. – 4:30 p.m.
Sun. - 9:30 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.
Reconciliation
Sat. 3:30-4 p.m. in the Reconciliation Room or by appointment
Fr. George Kallumkalkudy

529-9561
<http://StAustinCC.org>

Luther Memorial Lutheran

3751 Sheridan Ave. N.
(corner of Sheridan and Dowling)
Phone: 522-3639
Choir Rehearsal 9 a.m.
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Minneapolis, MN 55412
612-521-3644
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fusion, not knowing where to land. An adult with a broken leg screeched from a log in the river.

Great Blue Herons, like all birds, are programmed to survive. Instinctive mating rituals revolve around nest building. A male will present a stick to



a female, who will accept it and insert in into a nest. A day after the tornado ripped through the rookery, herons were observed presenting sticks to barren trees, only to watch them fall to the ground.

By Tuesday afternoon (two days after the tornado), the panicked herons dispersed, spent and hungry. As instincts took over, birds fished in ponds and streams to gather strength. Some birds found new mates (or relocated the old ones) and rebuilt nests on islands downriver across from the Xcel plant. One healthy young heron has been observed feeding along the river. Heron chicks hatch at different times, resulting in nestlings of various ages.

The herons have nested on the island for roughly 10 years, arriving from a larger abandoned rookery upriver. Visitors and photographers alike delighted in viewing the birds from a paved trail in the park. Protected by water on all sides, the herons didn't mind the observers. They continued to return to the same island in mid-March, and by late May most had two to three young chicks in the nests.

Nature heals, and people have looked to the herons for their inspiration. Concerned citizens have visited and called to offer assistance. Nine young herons were rescued from the island and are being nurtured at the Wildlife Rehabilitation Center. These chicks, soon to be released along the river,

offer hope to people, some of whom are dealing with damage to their own homes.

Will the herons return next year? Larry Gillette, Natural Resources Manager at Three Rivers Park District, reminds us that Great Blue Herons that live in

southern states have dealt with hurricanes for generations and seem to be genetically programmed to recognize a rare natural event. Rookery predation by raccoons or raptors will cause herons to abandon a site more readily than a natural disaster. The island has lost many trees, so nest site competition will be fierce. Fortunately, available islands exist north and south of the old rookery.

Many park visitors have asked what they can do to help the herons. Because several organizations are involved in the area, efforts to restore the area will need to be coordinated. The island and this portion of the park is owned by Minneapolis and staffed by Three Rivers Park District. National Park Service maintains partnerships with organizations along the Mississippi River. Park staff is researching the feasibility of installing heron nesting platforms on the island. We are maintaining a contact list, and will notify prospective volunteers when we have developed a coordinated plan.

If you have questions or concerns call Kroening Interpretive Center at 763-694-7693. Or stop by to visit. We offer Free Family Fundays every Sunday from 1-3 p.m. Discover Frogs on June 26, Wonderful Water on July 3, and Snakes on July 10. We also have a program on River Fish, Saturday, July 9, at 1 p.m. Fee is \$5. Reservations required.

Tornado

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Whitfield and 52-year-old Rob MacIntyre. Remarkably there were only two deaths.

What has followed has been amazing: Neighbors helping neighbors. Strangers helping strangers. Thousands of volunteers, from within and without the community. Efforts organized by the Northside Community Response Team in collaboration with the City of Minneapolis, Red Cross, Urban Home Works, the ELCA, Hennepin County, and a multitude of neighborhood organizations, too many to name, all supported by our City, State and Federal representatives. The Red Cross alone has served over 150,000 meals and hosted 1340 overnight shelter stays. Thank you. Perhaps the most gratifying has been the random acts of kindness. Rick Schmalz, of the 4200 block of Colfax didn't wait to sign-up. Within minutes of the tornado's departure he had his chainsaw in hand and along with neighbors armed with handsaws they cleared an impassible street of over eight downed trees within two hours of the tornado. Jeff Pichotta, of the Victory neighborhood, wasn't hit by the tornado, but he also put his chainsaw in his truck, cruising the streets to help people clear trees and debris; not just for one day, but for many. Former Minneapolis Public School teacher and Northside resident, Rodney Nelson, made a generous donation to the tornado victims at Lucy Laney School after reading an article in the *Star Tribune* that reported on the challenges that Principal David Branch had ahead of him as he assisted students affected by the tornado. David, his wife Becky and their family are also unable to live in their house. This was personal for Rodney Nelson, both David Branch and his wife Becky, had been Nelson's students at Bremer Elementary School. Ed Irwin, an experienced film maker and youth worker,

is collaborating with two Northside youth to produce a documentary about the aftermath of the tornado. It will be from a youth perspective and will be about "Our Story." For every person I've mentioned there are another 1000 people who have stepped forward to assist with the physical and emotional needs of our community, sometimes helping themselves heal in the process.

And so the clean-up and recovery work continues. Some businesses have reopened, even as repairs are being done. The 42nd Avenue Station has an "Opening Soon" sign posted, so we can be hopeful that we can return there shortly for good coffee, good music and good conversation. Still we need to hang in there for those who need it the most. Though the majority of the downed trees have been removed, there is much to be done. Home owners are still jousting with insurance adjusters to get approval for repairs. Renters who had just gotten on their feet, are starting over, again. Some people are still in shelters, temporary housing or hotels, and hope to be back in permanent housing soon. The needs are great; many need everything, from furniture to bedding to clothing to toiletries and we need to hang in there, doing the good work, for the good people of our community. There is a lot of work ahead, but as a neighbor said to me, "We are building community now and it is good. We will build the rest later." I believe we will be okay, and even better for this storm. The people of North Minneapolis have this special quality of being kind and hard working optimists. It's a good combination of traits.

Isaiah 58:12 "Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in."



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