



The Midtown Farmers Market Needs Your Support

Mallory Forseth | Market Manager

Dear Neighbors,

If you have been to the market at any time in the last several years, you know change is afoot at Hi-Lake. Cranes overhead, dirt heaps below, new buildings popping up on once vacant corners -- some call it "development."

The L & H (Lake & Hiawatha) Station development plan, now nearing the end of phase one of four, includes over 500 units of new housing, retail space, the Hennepin County Human Services Center South which opened in 2017, and a public plaza and potential permanent home for the Midtown Farmers Market. With construction and the execution of this plan underway, now is the time in which our community and its leaders will determine what "development" looks like in the places we call home.

The opportunity is striking. With the presence of the YWCA, Hennepin County Human Services, the Midtown Farmers Market, Metro Transit, elected officials who campaigned on platforms of equity and affordable housing, and socially- and environmentally-conscious private sector entities, the L & H development has the potential to become a vibrant local food and wellness hub that incubates local businesses, provides everyone in our community with access to nutritious local food, housing, transportation, and wellness resources, and offers neighbors from all backgrounds a place to gather, connect, and build community. That is the vision the Midtown Farmers Market has been marching toward for 16 seasons.

But there are some major challenges facing the

market in the next several years of this plan. Construction and location changes are hard on any retail organization. As a community-based nonprofit market with a strong social mission, these changes have been especially hard on the Midtown Farmers Market. We moved once in 2015, to our current smaller and less-visible interim location, and as the plans dictate, we must move again in 2019, to a second interim location while Phase 3 construction is underway before finally settling in the public plaza in 2020 or 2021.

The Midtown Farmers Market is not a powerful player at these tables in terms of money or resources. Our people are our power. If there was ever a time for our people to show up for us, the time is now. If you enjoy connecting with friends and neighbors at the market, buying fresh produce, tasty prepared foods, and beautiful art from local farmers and entrepreneurs; if you enjoy the free live music, cultural programming, and fitness classes on offer; if you support our mission to provide fresh local flavor to ALL in our community; if your vision for development at Hi-Lake includes the Midtown Farmers Market -- we need your support, now more than ever. Here's how you can help:

1. Show Up. Come out to the market. Come often. Bring friends. Support our amazing vendors, shop your values, and invest in our local economy. #FeedtheCarrot a few bucks or share a #MidtownMarketMoment while you're there -- give what your means allow. Come this season, and come to our second interim location next season. We and our vendors need your support at every step along the path to the plaza.

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El Midtown Farmers Market Necesita Su Apoyo

Mallory Forseth | Gerente de mercado

Queridos vecinos,

Si ha estado en el mercado en cualquier momento en los últimos años, ya sabe, el cambio está en marcha en Hi-Lake. Grúas en lo alto, montones de tierra debajo, edificios nuevos que aparecen en esquinas una vez vacías, algunos lo llaman "desarrollo."

El plan de desarrollo de la estación L & H (Lake & Hiawatha), que ahora se acerca al final de la fase uno de cuatro, incluye más de 500 unidades de vivienda nueva, espacio comercial, el Centro de Servicios Humanos del Condado de Hennepin South que abrió en 2017 y una plaza pública y hogar permanente potencial para Midtown Farmers Market. Con la construcción y la ejecución de este plan en marcha, ahora es el momento en que nuestra comunidad y sus líderes determinarán qué aspecto tiene el "desarrollo" en los lugares que llamamos hogar.

La oportunidad es sorprendente. Con la presencia de YWCA, Hennepin County Human Services, Midtown Farmers Market, Metro Transit, funcionarios electos que hicieron campaña en plataformas de equidad y viviendas asequibles, y entidades del sector privado con conciencia social y ambiental, el desarrollo de L & H tiene el potencial para convertirse en un vibrante centro local de alimentos y bienestar que incubaba empresas locales, brinda a todos en nuestra comunidad acceso a alimentos nutritivos, vivienda, transporte y recursos de bienestar, y ofrece a vecinos de todos los orígenes un lugar para reunirse, conectarse y construir comunidad. Esa es la visión que el Midtown Farmers

Market ha estado marchando durante 16 temporadas.

Pero hay algunos desafíos importantes que enfrenta el mercado en los próximos años de este plan. Los cambios de construcción y ubicación son difíciles para cualquier organización minorista. Como un mercado sin fines de lucro basado en la comunidad con una fuerte misión social, estos cambios han sido especialmente difíciles en Midtown Farmers Market. Nos mudamos una vez en 2015 a nuestra ubicación provisional actual más pequeña y menos visible, y según lo dicten los planes, debemos mudarnos nuevamente en 2019 a una segunda ubicación provisional mientras la construcción de la Fase 3 está en marcha antes de establecerse finalmente en la plaza pública en 2020 o 2021.

El Midtown Farmers Market no es un jugador poderoso en estas mesas en términos de dinero o recursos. Nuestra gente es nuestro poder. Si alguna vez hubo un tiempo para que nuestra gente se presentara, el momento es ahora. Si le gusta conectarse con amigos y vecinos en el mercado, compre productos frescos, sabrosas comidas preparadas y bellas artes de agricultores y empresarios locales; si disfrutas de la música en vivo gratis, la programación cultural y las clases de gimnasia que se ofrecen; si respalda nuestra misión de proporcionar un sabor local fresco a TODOS en nuestra comunidad; si su visión de desarrollo en Hi-Lake incluye Midtown Farmers Market, necesitamos su apoyo, ahora más que nunca. A continuación, le mostramos cómo puede ayudar:

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Adios y Bienvenidos del personal de periódico en la página 10 y Actualizaciones en la próxima remodelación de Athletic High Schools en la página 12.

Junio y Julio - Calendario Comunitario | June & July - Community Calendar

Meetings

**Thursday, June 7th
& Thursday, July 5th**
Land Use & Housing Committee Meeting
6:30 – 8:30pm
Monthly meeting of residents working together to protect and improve the built environment in Corcoran.
> Questions?
info@corcoranneighborhood.org - 612-724-7457
Location: CNO office, 3451 Cedar Ave S

**Monday, June 11th
Monday, July 9th**
Newspaper Committee
6 – 7pm
Monthly meeting with the paper committee and interested parties to plan the next bi-monthly edition of the Corcoran News.
> Questions?
news@corcoranneighborhood.org
Location: CNO office, 3451 Cedar Ave S

**Wednesday, June 27th
& Wednesday, July 25th**
Midtown Farmers Market Advisory Committee Meeting
6 – 7:30pm
Monthly meeting of residents working together to support market staff in identified areas of need including fundraising, communications, operations, outreach and partnerships, and on-site support.
> Questions? Contact Mallory Forseth
mallory@midtownfarmersmarket.org - 612-724-7457
Location: CNO office, 3451 Cedar Ave S

**Tuesday, June 19th
& Tuesday, July 17th**
Economic Development Committee Meeting
6 – 7:30pm
Monthly meeting of residents working together to build a retail environment that is fully-occupied, stable, and responsive to residents’ needs through strategic support and collaboration with property and business owners.
> Questions? Matt Kazinka
info@corcoranneighborhood.org - 612-724-7457
Location: CNO office, 3451 Cedar Ave S

Next date is TBD
CNO Finance Committee
5 – 7pm
The finance committee serves a leadership role in the area of financial oversight of the CNO, focusing on annual budgeting, financial planning, financial reporting, and monitoring internal controls and accountability policies.
> Questions?
info@corcoranneighborhood.org - 612-724-7457
Location: CNO office, 3451 Cedar Ave S

Community

Wednesday, June 6th
COPA Art-crawl Planning Meeting
7 – 9pm
Last meeting before the upcoming 2018 Junebug art-crawl with COPA!
> Questions? Contact Chris Sutton, rococodada@aol.com or copaartcrawl@gmail.com
Location: location is TBD!

Wednesday, June 6th
GROWS University Film Series
6:30 – 8pm
GROWS's University series, viewing of episode 5 of “Years of Living Dangerously.”
> Location: 3540 Longfellow Ave

Friday, June 8th
Last day of school for MPS

Saturday, June 16th
1 – 4pm
Rain Barrel Workshop:
Note: This skill share will cost \$40 and requires RSVP in advance by calling: Joe Hesla: 612-722-6473 or Howard Kroll: 612-701-2752
> Location 3220 21st Ave.

Wednesday, June 27th
Corcoran Business Mixer
4:30 - 6pm
Please come and meet other Corcoran business owners. This mixer will be used to network. All local business owners living or working in or near Corcoran are welcome.
> Location: Corcoran Neighborhood Organization Office 3451 Cedar Ave S.

**Monday, July 9th
- Friday, July 13th**
5 Day Club
10 – 11:30am
An exciting, fun-filled club for ages 5-12 held each day for five consecutive days at the park. It includes: fun games, Bible lessons, meaningful & silly songs, and ice cream!
> For more information, contact Lebanon Lutheran: 612-729-7356.
> Location: Corcoran Park

Thursday, July 12th
7:30 – 9pm
Documentary in the Dark:
We'll be showing the film The Anthropologist outside with popcorn! Please bring a chair and anything you'd like to eat or drink during the showing.
> Location 3519 23rd Ave.

Community Continued...

Mondays through June & July
Zumba w/Bernice at Powderhorn Park Gym - hosted by OBIY
6:30pm
The heat is on every Monday - free zumba at Powderhorn park!!! Clase gratis en Powderhorn!

Sundays through June & July
Yoga w/Darshan at CANDO - Central Area Neighborhood Development Organization - by OIBY
10am
Out in the Backyard is working to improve the lives of the LGBTQ people living in the Backyard* All classes are FREE and open to everyone and all skill levels!
> Location: 3715 Chicago Avenue, Mpls., MN 55407

Saturdays through June & July
Yoga w/Dallas - Powderhorn Park - by OIBY
9:30am
Expect a class with dynamic sequencing, some mindfulness practice, and messaging that celebrates who you already are. All are welcome.
> Location: Powderhorn Park
3400 15th Ave S Mpls MN 55407
Classes/Events schedule subject to change - visit our Facebook page for updates: facebook.com/outinthebackyard

Corcoran Churches Sunday Services:
• 9:30 a.m. Lebanon Lutheran (21st Ave & 36th St)
• 10:15 a.m. Vine Church (22nd Ave & 33rd St)
• 11:00 a.m. Spiritual Life (21st Ave & 36th St)
• 11:00 a.m. Casa del Rey (21st Ave & 36th St)
• 4:30 p.m. Lirio de los Valles (21st Ave & 36th St)

Events

Saturday, June 9th
16th Annual Standish, Ericsson & Corcoran Neighborhood Garage Sale!
9am – 3pm
Maps available at 8:30 AM on the 9th at Bakers Wife and Sister's Sludge.
> For more information go to Standish-Ericsson Neighborhood Association facebook page

Saturday, June 9th
Taco Sale
10am - 5pm
> Casa del Rey (21st Ave & 36th St)

Saturday, June 16th
June Bug Art crawl, sponsored by COPA
COPA will be at the Midtown Farmers Market if you'd like to talk in person. Or visit the MFM on the day of the crawl for a map or go to copa-artcrawl.com anytime

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Events Continued...

Saturday, June 16th
Taco Sale
10am - 5pm
> Lirio de los Valles (21st Ave & 36th St)

Saturday, June 27th
Neighborhood BBQ (Free)
6 - 7:30pm
> Vine Church (22nd Ave & 33rd St)



Wednesday, July 18th
Movie in the Park
9:05pm – 11:05pm
Raiders of the Lost Ark at Corcoran Park
(Spanish subtitles, English audio)

Now Thru July,
The Confounding Variable - Ryan Fontaine
In The Confounding Variable, his second solo show at HAIRandNAILS, Ryan Fontaine brings a collection of 14 new paintings and two new kinetic sculptures.
> Open Gallery Hours: Thursdays/Fridays 3-6pm, Saturdays/Sundays 1-6pm thru July, and by appointment
Hair and Nails is located at 2222 E 35th St, Mpls.

Noteworthy & Upcoming Dates:
Sunday, September 16th
Corcoran Family Octoberfest
Tentatively noon to 6pm
Location to be announced pending permits
Local Family Block party event with music, games and food from local Corcoran businesses.

School's out and summer's here! How many fruits and vegetables from the farmers market can you find?

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Corcoran Park Happenings

Dillon Clements | Corcoran Park Director



End of School Carnival! This event will be held on Friday, June 15 from 4-6 p.m. at Corcoran Park. This is a free event to attend, there will be a bounce house, games and hot dogs and ice cream for sale. Attendees must be under the age of 16 (excluding parents).

Fundamental Soccer – Kids ages 4-7 can come learn the fundamental skills of soccer in Corcoran Park! Classes will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5-5:45 p.m. Class runs June 19 - July 19. Cost: \$20/child.

Music Lessons – we still have openings for private or group music lessons this summer! Call 612-370-4919 to schedule dates and times! Cost \$75 for 10 lessons, musicians must be between ages 7 and 18.

Ice Cream Social – come enjoy some ice cream in the park on July 18! This is a free event for the community; all are welcome to join us!

Drop-in Programs – these programs are offered at no cost, but registration is required online. All classes are held in the multipurpose room in the Corcoran Recreation Center.

- Zumba on Mondays from 5 - 7 p.m.
- Self-defense class on Tuesdays from noon - 2 p.m.
- Zumba on Wednesdays from 5 - 7 p.m.
- Bojutsu on Thursdays from 7 - 9 p.m.
- Zumba on Fridays 4:30 - 6 p.m.

Summer Daycare Available

Cierrah Hansen | Corcoran Park Employee

Come join us for a fun-filled summer at Corcoran Park for preschool from Tuesday, July 10 through Thursday, August 16. There will be crafts, show-and-tell, gym games, outside play time, pool time, visits from a naturalist to learn how does your garden grow? Summer is the perfect time to find out! Dig in, get your hands dirty and learn all about the life of plants! Figure out how little seeds turn into giant trees, beautiful flowers, and delicious food. Sing songs, play garden games, plant some seeds, and have lots of fun. Class is from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Children must be potty-trained and please bring their own lunch.

Loring Park Art Festival – July 28 & 29, 2018

Press Release | Media Contact: Laura J. Murphy

Organizers of the Loring Park Art Festival have selected 140 fine artists and craftspeople from the Twin Cities and all over the country to showcase their work throughout the park. The festival returns to downtown Minneapolis for its nineteenth year on Saturday, July 28 and Sunday, July 29, 2018.

The following have been selected as featured artists for their outstanding work and artistic process. For detailed bios, photos of featured artwork and a full list of artists, visit: loringparkartfestival.com/artists

- Linda Banning, Jewelry, Minneapolis, MN
Original hand cut stained glass jewelry.
- Jamie Heiden, Photography, Holmen, WI
Digital photography with multiple photographic layers.
- Karri Jamison, Painting, Hillsboro, WI
Acrylic paint and hand drawn graphite on canvas.
- Jennifer Patnaude, Painting, Waconia, MN
Bright palette to capture movement, color and spirit of nature.
- Tony Small, Photography, Hopkins, MN
Fine art landscape photography on paper, canvas, metal or acrylic.
- Julia Timm, Ceramics, Minneapolis, MN
Unique ceramic pieces for home décor or every day function.

A rich variety of styles and art forms are presented each year, including jewelry, printmaking, glass, fiber, photography, clay, painting, drawing, sculpture, wood working and mixed media. A variety of artistic pieces will be available at a wide range of prices making it possible for art lovers to take home one-of-a-kind artwork.

In addition, festival goers will enjoy family events, food vendors, live music, and unique entertainment in the beautiful outdoor setting of Loring Park. Organizers will announce a full list of activities soon. For more details about the festival, visit loringparkartfestival.com.

Quick Details

- Dates / Hours:
Saturday, July 28, 2018, 10am – 6pm / Sunday, July 29, 2018, 10am – 5pm
- Location:
Loring Park at Oak Grove and Hennepin Avenue
- Artist Exhibitors:
140 artists of varied disciplines are selected to exhibit during the festival
- Food & Beverage:
Food Trucks: Reverie Mobile Kitchen, Anchor Fish and Chips. Stay tuned!
- Free Family Art:
Stay tuned! Fun from 2017 - puppet shows, play with clay and metal working
- Live Entertainment:
Live musicians, dancers, theatre performances <http://www.loringparkartfestival.com/entertainment/>
- Parking / Directions / Free Rides from Metro Transit (download passes here): <http://www.loringparkartfestival.com/getting-there/>
- Mobile Blood Drive:
The American Red Cross will be on hand to conduct a mobile blood drive on Saturday, July 28.

Affordable Summer Camps for Middle/High School Youth

Press Release | Lindsay Walz, Founder of courageous heARTs

Courageous heARTS is partnering with local artists this summer to offer creative camps along with our open studio hours for youth ages 10-18! Camps are all introductory in nature and range from watercolor to spoken word.

Check out the full line up and pricing on our website: www.courageous-hearts.org/summer You can register there or give the studio a call at 612-729-2483.

Scholarships and other discounts also available.

In addition to our summer options for youth, we continue to offer all-age open studio hours on Saturday mornings from 9am to noon. Family friendly and affordable! www.courageous-hearts.org/saturdaystudio Join us at the studio: 2235 E. 38th Street, Minneapolis

courageous heARTS <<http://www.courageous-hearts.org>>

Business Spotlight: Moon Palace Books

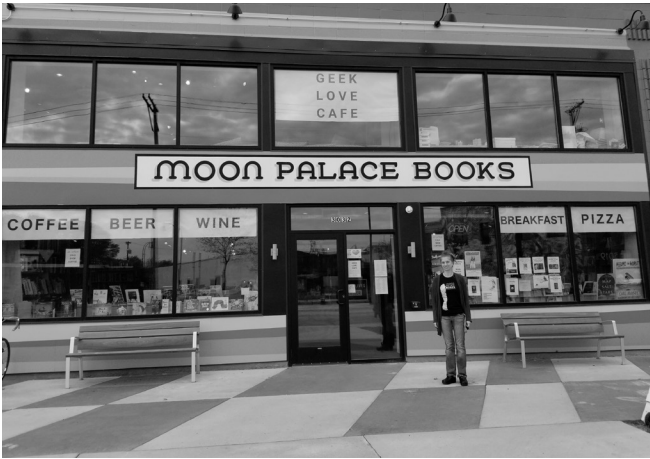
Kelly Savage | Corcoran Neighbor & Volunteer

<https://www.moonpalacebooks.com/>

Owners: Angela and Jamie Schwesnedl

3032 Minnehaha Ave

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Books, pizza, live music, community space, wine and beer, used books, I could go on and on but what is not to like? If you haven’t already guessed, this month’s interview was at Moon Palace Books. I’m sure you know this place: the pastel rainbow colored shop on Minnehaha. Powderhorn residents Angela and Jamie Schwesnedl opened Moon Palace in its former location in 2012 and it thrived for five years. The couple and their store have a strong commitment and connection to the community and so when Moon Palace relocated just six months ago, it moved only a couple blocks closer to the corner of Lake Street. They managed to keep the same look and comfortable vibe but were able to add more books and features to the new, larger space.

Not only does Moon Palace now carry thousands more books, but they have a lovely second floor area for their used collection which has seating for their hosted book clubs. Individuals can schedule this area, when available, for their own clubs or book discussions by emailing the store.

The new Geek Love Café is located toward the back of the store. The menu includes breakfast sandwiches and skilletts in the mornings with pizza and salad available all day, and also has beer and wine. Of course the café serves a variety of coffees and teas for you to enjoy on their patio which, pending city approval, is coming soon!

Moon Palace has a large community space to host book readings, live music, or private parties. Located in the back of the store next to the café, it would be great if this room becomes known around town as a music venue. Upcoming musical selections include Kissing is a Crime and Superheater. Upcoming readings are as follows: Monday, June 11, 7pm – Ahmed Ismail Yusuf reading from The Lion’s Binding Oath, and events for Leni Zumas, Dorthé Nors and Miriam McNamara are on the schedule as well. For dates and times and future events, stop by the store, their Facebook page or website.

Moon Palace events

June & July Events

- Reading with Julayne Lee
Friday June 8 | 7:00PM - 8:00PM
- Reading with Ahmed Ismail Yusuf
Monday June 11 | 7:00PM - 8:00PM
- Reading with Leni Zumas
Tuesday June 19 | 7:00PM - 8:00PM
Join us for a reading with Leni Zumas, author of the novel Red Clocks.
- Reading with Dorthé Nors
Wednesday June 20 | 7:00PM - 8:00PM
Join us for a reading with Dorthé Nors, author of the new novel Mirror, Shoulder, Signal.
- Release party - A Quick & Easy Guide to They/Them Pronouns
Monday June 25 | 7:00PM - 8:00PM
Join us for a reading celebrating the release of A Quick & Easy Guide to They/Them Pronouns by Archie Bon-giovanni and Tristan Jimerson.
- Reading with Miriam McNamara
Thursday June 28 | 7:00PM - 8:00PM
Join us for a reading with Miriam McNamara, author of the new book The Unbinding of Mary Reade.
- Reading with Joseph Legaspi, 신 선 영 Sun Yung Shin, and May Lee-Yang
Monday July 16 | 7:00PM - 8:00PM
Join us for a poetry reading with Joseph Legaspi, 신 선 영 Sun Yung Shin, and May Lee-Yang.

New South Minneapolis radio station broadcasts voices historically erased by traditional media

Brendan Kelly | KRSM Station Manager

A new community radio station is now broadcasting on 98.9 FM to a potential 300,000 Minneapolis listeners. KRSM Southside Media Project is a low-power FM radio station that operates out of Waite House Community Center in South Minneapolis as part of the Community Media Initiative by Pillsbury United Communities. The station, which also streams online, shares 65 hours per week of original programming in six different languages created by a team of over 100 volunteers and hosts. The weekly schedule includes shows about mental health, community organizing, relationships and sexuality, entrepreneurship, history, music and more. The station will also feature syndicated content such as lessons in Ojibwe language, history, and culture created by partner stations on Native reservations around greater Minnesota as well as Spanish-language content from Democracy Now.

Advisory Board member Danielle Mkali said, “From advocating with media justice partners nationally to working in our local communities, we’ve been able to build a station from the ground up. It’s an opportunity to learn and listen to our own stories, which means that we are shaping our world together. Community radio can be a healing and community-building space.

KRSM is designed to provide a platform for elevating the voices, narratives, and cultures of communities that have a history of being marginalized, misrepresented, and erased by traditional media. Over half of the shows are run by women, 73 percent are hosted by people of color and Indigenous people, and 80 percent of the hosts have had no previous experience working in radio. The station also serves as an on-ramp to jobs in the media industry by offering free training opportunities and access to professional grade equipment. New programming to expect soon includes a monthly radio



New KRSM antenna broadcasting from the top of North Star Mini Storage on Lake Street in S. Minneapolis

novella from El Colegio high schoolers as well as a show run entirely by people incarcerated in prison. The full show schedule is available online at krsradio.org, and listeners can access programming through the website, mobile app, or 98.9 FM.

About Pillsbury United Communities: For more than 135 years Pillsbury United Communities has worked to create choice, change and connection in underestimated populations across Minneapolis to foster the resilience and self-sufficiency of individuals, families and community as a whole. We design solutions that address a spectrum of intersecting needs—from education to employment to health. We’re creating a new model for nonprofit organizations with an interconnected system of programs, community centers, and social enterprises that connects with over 55,000 individuals each year. More information about Pillsbury United Communities is available at www.pillsburyunited.org.

\$29 = Raacitaan/fuulis aan dhammaad la’hayn ee xilliga xagaaga [summer- ka] oo dhan!

Xagaaga ku raac Baaskaaga Ardayda ee Xagaaga adiga oo basaska iyo tareenka ku raacaya inta lagu jiro xilliga xagaaga!

Arday kasta oo hadda ku jira fasalka 9aad - 12aad ee dhigta iskuullada ka qaybqaata waxay heli karaan basas iyo tareenno kasta oo ku raaci karaan ilaa \$3.25* oo waxaad ku raaci kartaa wakhti kasta inta u dhaxayso 5 a.m. ilaa iyo 10 p.m. maalin kasta oo toddobaadka ka mid ah. Baasaska lagu raacayo waxay soconayaan laga bilaabo 1da Juun ilaa iyo 4ta Siteembar.

Sidee baan mid ku helaa?

Laga bilaabo 16ka Maajo, booqo boggan metrotransit.org/summerpass si aad u hesho faahfaahin dheeraad ah oo ku saabsan baaska oo mid dalbo adiga oo kareedit kaarka isticmaalaya. Waxa kaliya aad u baahan tahay waa magaca iskuulkaaga iyo lambarkaaga aqoonsiga ardayga.

Haddii lacag naqdi ah aad isticmaalaysa, Baaska Ardayga ee Xilliga Xagaaga waxaad ka iibsan kartaa Xarunta [Metro Transit Service Center]. Wac 612-373-3333 ama booqo metrotransit.org/servicecenters si meelaha lagu iibiyo aad u ogaato.

Ma qabtaa su’aal? Su’aashaada waxaa kaaga jawaabbaya khabiirro isu socodka gaadiidka. Na ga soo wac 612-373-3333.

* Feerka ka badan \$3, sida qaar ka mid ah safarrada Northstar, kaliya ku dar lacagta baaskaaga kuugu jirto.

\$29 = ¡Desplazamientos ilimitados todo el verano!

¡Consigue desplazamientos durante el verano en los autobuses y el tren ligero con un Pase de Estudiante de Verano!

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How do I get one?

Starting May 16, go to metrotransit.org/summer-pass to get more details about the pass and order one using a credit card. All you need is your school's name and your student ID number.

If you'd rather use cash, you can buy a Summer Student Pass at a Metro Transit Service Center. Call 612-373-3333 or visit metrotransit.org/service-centers for locations.

Have questions? A friendly transit expert can answer them. Give us a call at 612-373-3333.

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Tiger News

Own the newest album by SHS Guitar 2.

Guitar 2's done it again! Under the direction of Ms. Sarah Minette, students this semester produced an album, this time at IPR studios, and it's ready for release! Buy now at <https://southhighguitar2.bandcamp.com/album/spring-2018-guitar-2-non-profit-album>. Your purchase benefits Greenpeace, Hope Kids, OR Save the Children!



Continúa de la página principal Apoyo a la MFM

Aparecer. Sal al mercado. Ven a menudo. Trae amigos. Apoye a nuestros increíbles proveedores, compre sus valores e invierta en nuestra economía local. #FeedtheCarrot unos cuantos dólares o comparte un #MidtownMarketMoment mientras estés allí - da lo que tus medios permitan. Venga esta temporada y venga a nuestra segunda ubicación provisional la próxima temporada. Nosotros y nuestros proveedores necesitamos su apoyo en cada paso del camino hacia la plaza.

Hablar alto. Cuéntales a otros sobre el mercado. Haga las fechas de su café y juegue en el mercado; es por eso que estamos aquí. Ayuda a correr la voz sobre el desarrollo y sobre sus oportunidades y desafíos. Cuéntales a otros dónde hemos estado y hacia dónde nos dirigimos. Comparta sus opiniones sobre el diseño de la plaza en nuestro proceso de participación de la comunidad a fines de esta temporada. Comparta sus opiniones sobre el diseño de la plaza en nuestro proceso de participación de la comunidad a fines de esta temporada.

Manténganse al tanto. Suscríbete a nuestro boletín o inscríbete para ser un Embajador de Mercado en midtownfarmersmarket.org para estar al tanto de las noticias, la ubicación 2019 y las formas en que puedes ayudar a asegurar que Midtown Farmers Market continúe brindando un sabor local fresco a TODOS en nuestra comunidad para muchos las estaciones por venir.

Usted hace que esta comunidad sea grandiosa. Usted tiene el poder de dar forma a su futuro. Gracias por apoyar el trabajo continuo de Midtown Farmers Market para fortalecer nuestra economía local, promover la justicia alimentaria y unir a los vecinos en Hi-Lake.

En agradecimiento,

Mallory Forseth

Mallory Forseth
Tu vecino y Market Manager

Junebug Art Crawl

Press Release | COPA

Saturday, June 16, 2018, Saturday 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

COPA (Corcoran Powderhorn Artists) is excited to present the second annual Junebug Art Crawl - Summer 2018!

Come spend a fun-filled afternoon strolling the tree-lined streets of the Corcoran and Powderhorn neighborhoods of South Minneapolis and meet the broad array of talented artisans who reside there.

This vital area, home of the MayDay Parade, the Midtown Farmers Market and the Pillsbury House + Theatre, is now celebrating the second annual Junebug Art Crawl sponsored by COPA. Our group is entirely comprised of devoted volunteers who are proud of our neighborhoods and represent that pride through our Art Crawl. Without them, we wouldn't know all the wondrous talents that live among us. And without you, the patron, we artists wouldn't thrive.

So come on out Saturday, June 16, between 10 and 4 p.m., and look at the wide range of offerings available, from jewelry to textiles to one-of-a-kind artworks. Meet the resident and guest artists and see how and why they make their creations. Maybe even pick up a gift for Father's Day!

For more information, please visit our website: copa-artcrawl.com

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Call For Art, Susan Hensel Gallery Windows On Cedar

The windows at Susan Hensel Gallery are a highly visible space for presenting artwork that is not damaged by the sun and somewhat fluctuating temperatures. They are lit 24 hours per day.

What might show in the windows of Susan Hensel Gallery? Sculpture, acrylic painting, installation art, ceramics, assemblage... other media?

How will the artwork be displayed? The window has many ceiling hooks, the side walls and the floor can receive nails, a semi solid backdrop and many kinds of display equipment are available. Exhibiting artists do their own installation.

How to apply? Please send several JPGs and a written proposal of what you want to do via email; a resume or bio would be helpful.

Will there be publicity? There will be a small amount of online publicity using linked blogs, social media and email. No postcards will be printed for the window shows.

The windows at Susan Hensel Gallery are west-facing, twin, double-paned tempered glass, deep windows that face a busy street and a bus stop. They are moderately well-lit. Each window is 48" deep, 82" tall and 86" wide across the back. The front of the windows is 68" wide with the angled pieces of glass that lead to the door being about 44" wide.

Two-month slots are available starting Aug. 1, 2018.



Call for Art, Susan Hensel Gallery, Windows On Cedar

You're Invited

Corcoran Business
Networking Meeting

Wednesday, June 27th
4:30pm-6pm

Corcoran Neighborhood
Organization Office
3451 Cedar Ave S.

If you have a business in the
neighborhood, or hope to start
one soon, come join us

Ask The Yoga Instructor: Meditating On Spring

Mary Bue | Corcoran Business Owner of Imbue Yoga Studio

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Last night I dreamt that I was watching the white flowing blossoms of a plum tree and I said to my dream-self, “Just watching the tree is poetry.” That’s how spring is feeling here in Minneapolis, like a dreamscape after the monotone of that long winter, bright petals falling on bike paths, rhubarb bustling for attention, birds and bugs doing their thing.

How CAN we be more present, and savor this time, soak in it for all its glory? And not only this time, but also that deep dark winter, the chaos of a cluttered desk, the dripping nose of your ill kiddo, the ache in a broken heart, the grace of your grandma’s gardening?



I truly believe meditation can help us. I have for you a true wish to reduce your suffering and increase your capacity for peace and joy.

Many of us say, “I suck at meditation.” “I can’t sit still.” “My body hurts and I can’t sit in full lotus.” “I will never be able to clear my mind.”

And yet, this isn’t the goal. Meditation comes in many forms and flavors. There is walking meditation, mindfulness while doing dishes, staring at the flame of a candle, or watching your breath. There is reciting a mantra, prayer, gazing lovingly at a depiction of your spiritual devotion. There is sensing the glow deep in the heart or even chewing your food 100 times!

In my eyes, meditation helps us calm the random fluctuations of the mind. It allows us to take a moment before reacting/ speaking/doing to pause and decide if it is of the most benefit for us to move in that direction. Meditation allows us to label thoughts as simply thoughts that are just flowing through, that we don’t need to get attached to, that we don’t need to even BELIEVE. That there is a clear, serene space behind the chatter of our thinking.

Meditation can help us stop, smell the roses, and take in all there is to take in from this moment in our very unique, complicated, messy, and beautiful lives.

I hope you can find time to sit, be, walk, chew, feel, with utmost care. It is your own incredible life, and no one else’s. May you have the freedom to choose the most beautiful of thoughts.

Much love,
Mary

Milly's Peace Garden Update

Anne Holzinger | Corcoran Neighbor and Milly's Peace Garden Coordinator

Milly's Peace Garden, on the corner of 38th Street and 21st Avenue and one of Corcoran's two community gardens, continues to thrive! All eight plots are taken with three new gardeners joining us this year. Our resident herbalist is back, and in a few short weeks her wildflowers will be blooming and attracting hundreds of pollinators to the garden. The garlic is up for several of our returning gardeners, and we are all excited to be gardening again.

Enjoy Minnesota Summer in All its Glory at the Midtown Farmers Market!

Mallory Forseth | Manager, Midtown Farmers Market

Starting June 5, the Midtown Farmers Market will be bustling with local flavor, art, music, and more twice a week, every week, through October 30: Tuesdays 3 p.m. - 7 p.m., and Saturdays 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. at 2225 E. Lake St. Here are some things we're looking forward to in the first months of summer at the market:

Our Tuesday markets (3 p.m. - 7 p.m., beginning June 5) are a perfect opportunity to do some leisurely weeknight grocery shopping or have dinner at the market on those nights cooking feels like too much. Tuesday markets this season will feature fresh local produce and prepared foods from the vendors you've come to know and love, hot/ready-to-eat food from Bad Gyros, coffee (beans and brewed) from new Midtown vendor Finca el Mar Coffee Co., live music, free Zumba classes by the YWCA, and STEM-focused kids' activities on the third Tuesday of every month by Snapology.

June is an exciting time as we enter summer and stalls begin to fill with produce. Strawberries will be arriving, the weather will be heating up, and there will be lots of activity at the market. Along with the ever-growing selection of produce there will also be plenty of great programming at the market in June, including the kickoff of monthly Saturday Zumba classes by Mujeres en Acción y Poder beginning June 9; special event days including Bee & Pollinators Day, Youth Leadership Day, and a Juneteenth celebration; Master Gardener advice; kids' activities by Market Science; and Second Saturday Arts for All. Some of the great items you can expect to find at the market in June include: strawberries, spinach, kale, lettuces,

green onions, radishes, peas, green beans, broccoli, kohlrabi, sprouts, rhubarb, bedding plants, free-range chicken, grass-fed beef, pasture-raised pork and lamb, eggs, cheese, honey, maple syrup, jellies and jams, and other preserved and canned goods, artisan breads and bagels, baked goods, omelets, kabobs, samosas, Himalayan momos, coffee, kombucha, lassis, bubble tea, a variety of local arts and crafts, and more. We'll also be seeing debuts by new Try It! program vendors with kimchi, kraut and other ferments, hot sauces, soaps, and more in June - come give them a warm welcome!

Summer is in full swing once July hits, and so is the Midtown Farmers Market. As the temperatures rise the offerings of our vendors will grow. During the month of July you'll see raspberries, blueberries, peppers, tomatoes and so much more! Here are some other great items you'll find at the market in July: strawberries, raspberries, blueberries, spinach, kale, lettuces, Asian greens, green onions, beans, radishes, beets, peas, cucumbers, summer squash and zucchini, peppers, tomatoes, alongside the array of locally produced prepared foods and brunch and dinner options you've been enjoying all season long. Try It! program vendor debuts in July will have soy candles and dairy-free desserts on offer. July events and programming include the usual free yoga and zumba classes, a blood drive by Memorial Blood Centers, and an East African Cultural celebration. Stay tuned to our newsletter for full details and additions (subscribe at www.midtown-farmersmarket.org).



Thank you to our Market sponsors for the months of June and July:



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- 2. Speak Up.** Tell others about the market. Make your coffee dates and play dates at the market -- that is why we're here. Help spread the word about the development, and about its opportunities and challenges. Tell others where we've been and where we're headed. Share your thoughts about the plaza design in our community engagement process later this season.
- 3. Stay Tuned.** Subscribe to our newsletter or sign up to be a Market Ambassador at midtownfarmersmarket.org to stay in the loop about news, 2019 location, and ways you can help ensure the Midtown Farmers Market continues to bring fresh local flavor to ALL in our community for many seasons to come.

You make this community great. You have the power to shape its future. Thank you for supporting the Midtown Farmers Market's ongoing work to strengthen our local economy, advance food justice, and unite neighbors at Hi-Lake.

In gratitude,



Mallory Forseth
Your neighbor and Market Manager

Corcoran GROWS: Updates and Upcoming Meetings

Marissa Tappy | Corcoran GROWS member & Corcoran Neighbor

GROWS University

Community-led learning for a resilient future

It feels like we've jumped from snow to sun in a few weeks! In between planting that garden and enjoying more daylight hours be sure to keep up with GROWS programming. The Corcoran Pollinator Project will be putting in more pollinator gardens for neighbors and Milly's Peace Garden is well on its way to another abundant growing season. GROWS University will continue with monthly educational opportunities to meet, learn, and experience what your neighbors are doing to turn global climate issues into personal moments of transformation and ingenuity.

Mark your calendars:

- Wednesday, June 6, 6:30-8 p.m., 3540 Longfellow Ave. - Years of Living Dangerously ep. 5
- Saturday, June 16, 1-4 p.m., 3220 21st Ave. - Rain Barrel Workshop: Keeping rainwater in your yard and reducing use of city water will save you money and build up good microbes in your soil. It's a win-win! Note: This skill share will cost \$40 (all supplies/tools included) and requires RSVP in advance by calling: Joe Hesla: 612-722-6473 or Howard Kroll: 612-701-2752
- Thursday, July 12, 7:30-9 p.m., 3519 23rd Ave. - Documentary in the Dark: We'll be showing the film The Anthropologist outside with popcorn! Please bring a chair and anything you'd like to eat or drink during the showing. The film features the parallel stories of two women: Margaret Mead, who popularized cultural anthropology in America, and Susie Crate, an environmental anthropologist currently studying the impact of climate change. Uniquely revealed from their daughters' perspectives, Mead and Crate demonstrate a fascination with how societies are forced to negotiate the disruption of their traditional ways of life, whether through encounters with the outside world or through climate change.

More programming will be announced via Facebook throughout the summer! Don't miss out!

www.facebook.com/CorcoranGROWS



Thank You to our Market Volunteers!

Kate Sheldon | Assistant Manager, Midtown Farmers Market

The Midtown Farmers Market has officially kicked off its 16th season and we want to say thank you to the volunteers who make the market possible. With volunteer help, we were able to move our equipment (lots of it) from our office at CNO to market site storage, spruce up and set up some of our equipment and lawn games, and put on a successful Opening Day Food Truck Fest. Volunteers are the backbone of Midtown Farmers Market, and we are so grateful to have such dedicated, hard-working friends and neighbors to lend a hand.

Join us! Volunteers are still needed for:

- Market Operations and Community Engagement** - 3-4 hour shifts every Saturday to assist with things like staffing the info booth, token sales, customer service, set-up and tear-down of the market, photography, customer counts, fundraising, volunteer recruitment, and community engagement. Bring a friend or family member and make a day of it!
- Special Projects** - we could use some expert help with things like photography, writing stories about our vendors, fundraising, event planning, community organizing, data management, community outreach, carpentry, and other special projects.

Visit midtownfarmersmarket.org/join-us for more information or to sign up.



Worth It, Even at 5 A.M.

Lorien Kinzel-Auer | Corcoran Resident

So a couple of weeks ago I did something I've been wanting to do for some time: volunteer for a shift with the Midtown Farmers Market helping with set-up. And you know what? It was easy, and an overall enjoyable experience. I'll be honest, the idea of rolling out of bed at 5 a.m. to make the 6 a.m. start time was daunting. And to be even more honest, I didn't make it up by 5, it was 5:30. But I made it to the market area by 6. Mallory, the manager, and Kate, the assistant manager, were already hard at work. Most of it was just putting up vendor tents and pulling out folding chairs and tables, with a little garbage clean-up in the green space. Like I said, pretty easy. I also helped update the boards with Jan, the other volunteer who was there that morning. Turns out drawing with chalk is still fun, even when you are all grown up. It was fun to watch the different vendors drive in and start to set-up. The place went from an empty lot to a marketplace in under an hour.

If getting up at the crack of dawn isn't your thing, the MFM has shifts for helping at the market booth handing out market tokens or other activities. Or you could do a take-down shift from 12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. What I'm getting at is, so much of what the CNO and the Midtown Market does relies on a lot of volunteer hours. A lot. But I believe it's worth it if we are going to have an active and healthy neighborhood. If you value having the market here in Corcoran at all, I strongly encourage you to give up just a few hours of your weekend. Go to <http://midtownfarmersmarket.org/join-us/> for more information and to sign up.



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The Incomplete Skeptic: A MADD Speaker Speaks Out

Timothy G Cameron | Corcoran Neighbor



Your local writer, a.k.a. the Incomplete Skeptic, recently won an Award from MADD Minnesota as the 2018 Victim Impact Speaker of the Year. It’s not easy experiencing tragedy as an offender and then trying to put one’s life back together. But it is not what happens to us in life that matters, it’s what we do with it. When my feet hit the floor in the morning, no matter whether I feel like it or not, I thank God for another day of living.

A dear friend of mine, Christine B., who was there when I started speaking for MADD MN 24-years ago, was herself hit by a drunk driver. She had a grapefruit-sized hemorrhage on her brain, her face was unrecognizable to even her mother, and her body endured much damage, including the prognosis that she would never be able to give birth. She went through hell to get her life back.

Her breakthrough came when she started fighting back against her injuries with

gratitude. In extreme frustration with her recovery, she punched her hand through a double pane window, and went to the ER. From that day forward, she said she started thanking God every morning for another day of living. I thought if Chris could do it, maybe I could, too. She role-modeled a higher way of living, so it became my norm for living to follow in suit.

When I first volunteered for MADD, Sharon B. (Christine’s mother) was my chapter’s Victim Impact Panels administrator. Sharon put me to work in the chapter office to help with mailings, cleaning the office, loading her car with materials for functions, and allowed me to help make the panels we spoke at together. Yes, Sharon spoke about how Christine getting hit by a drunk driver impacted her family.

A few years after Sharon and I had worked closely together in MADD, we were at a panel speaking to DWI offenders in a courtroom setting. Sharon related how, when she first saw Chris in the hospital bed, she could not even recognize her own daughter. Sharon said she was so mad at the driver, that had she a shotgun at the moment and the drunk driver was there, she would have pulled the

triggers on both barrels without hesitation.

Then Sharon said something I have never forgotten. Sharon for the first time on a panel said, “But I no longer feel that way, thanks to him,” and pointed at me. She then said how when I first volunteered for MADD, she thought I was “full of crap” and that for a year, she gave me “every shit job” she could find. After a year of giving me shit jobs and seeing me still there, she started to believe maybe I was OK. After speaking on many panels together for a couple more years, here we were with her admission of trying to push me away. Then she repeated to the audience, “But I no longer feel the same way in my heart toward the man who hit Chris, because of him” (again pointing to me). Sharon said she had found forgiveness in her heart toward the offender, because of me and my work with MADD. The burden of unforgiveness had eventually been lifted, “... because of him.”

Sharon’s words devastated my consciousness heart with beautiful gratitude. It never occurred to me that my service work would help a victim, too. Yes, I thought I might help prevent the creation of fresh victims due to DWI offenders hearing about what might happen as a result of alcohol-impaired

driving, but helping Sharon heal her heart had never crossed my mind.

So here I am 27 years later, still speaking for MADD. I took a life and have committed the rest of my life to doing something about it. Not as self-punishment or self-sabotaging guilt fest, or martyring myself to help others, or any other form of egocentric drivel. Rather, it is to promote boundless gratitude to a loving Creator who took something ugly and birthed something beautiful from it.

If you love someone, you will not hurt them, right? Likewise, if you love yourself, you will not place yourself in harm’s way by drinking and driving, because it could devastate you and others if you have a crash. Make conscious love your EVERYTHING and don’t sacrifice life for a little fun at the local bar and then driving home impaired. Get a designated Driver or take an UBER.

Lastly, do this Grand Experiment. Tell at least three people a day that you love them, and then see what happens to your life. If you DON’T tell at least three people a day that you love them, you’ve wasted a day of your life.

City Releases Draft Comprehensive Plan

Peter Bajurny | Corcoran Resident

Every 10 years, the City of Minneapolis develops and releases a Comprehensive Plan. This is a massive document that will serve as a guide for how the city will grow and develop over the next 20 years. The newest iteration, currently in draft form, is called “Minneapolis 2040.” It covers everything from housing, land use and transportation, and job access, to things like arts & culture, parks, and technology.

City staff has been working on this version of the comprehensive plan since 2016. They’ve met with neighborhoods, community organizations, leaders, and the general public to make sure they are addressing the needs of the city, as well as receiving input from the mayor and City Council.

Now that the draft has been released, city staff is gathering input all over again from those same groups to help them finalize the document before the City Council will vote on it.

The comprehensive plan is the “roadmap” for the city’s work for the foreseeable future. As the city makes decisions on other important things, including zoning, approvals on specific projects, and changes to ordinances, these decisions will need to be aligned with the comprehensive plan.

You may have heard of the biggest change proposed in the current draft, which is allowing fourplexes in the entire city. A fourplex is simply a building with four units. Fourplexes would still conform to other regulations on building size. Most of Corcoran is classified as “Interior 2” in the current plan, which is residential buildings on single lots one to two and a half stories tall, with a limited number of small apartment buildings on larger lots. Additional density is proposed around the Lake Street light rail station (“Transit 10”) as well as along the Cedar Avenue corridor (“Corridor 4”).

The city is taking comments on the current draft until July 22. You can read the full draft and leave comments at <https://minneapolis2040.com/>.



Pulse Event - Corcoran Churches Participate

Russ Grigsby | Corcoran Resident



Members of Lebanon Lutheran (21st Ave & 36th St)

Jesus said, “By this all will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another” (John 13:35). Seems easy enough, yet one of the challenges that has long plagued the Church has been a lack of evident love for one another. Last month, that all changed in Minnesota, as 750 churches came together to attempt to fill US Bank Stadium. They came close, with an estimated 40,000 walking through the doors. Beyond numbers, it was an opportunity for young people to see a visible demonstration of unity amid diversity. Multiple denominations and multiple ethnicities blended as one.

The ministry Pulse, located in North Minneapolis, was behind the event. Its founder, Nick Hall, reflected, “as 750 churches rallied behind the next generation, it was literally our spiritual fathers and mothers laying hands on us and saying, Go!” And go indeed. Nearly 5,000 youth rededicated their lives to following Jesus, and 900 made first-time decisions to do so.



Pulse founder, Nick Hall, sharing the gospel with 40,000.

Steve Carlisle of Corcoran’s Vine Church (22nd Ave & 33rd St) said, “We had a blast at Pulse! It was a powerful message of hope. It was also awesome to see people of all nationalities come together to sing and to worship God.” Youth groups from other Corcoran Churches, including Lirio de los Valles and Casa del Rey, were also in attendance.



Members of Vine Church (22nd Ave & 33rd St)

And of course, nothing says unity quite like a pillow fight. A new world record was set as each person received a complimentary ‘My Pillow,’ with which to whack thy neighbor.



A Guinness representative was on hand to confirm the event was indeed the world’s largest pillow fight.

Vote!

Shawn Kinzel-Auer | Corcoran Resident

Midterm elections usually have lower voter turnout as there isn’t a presidential election. However, this year’s midterm election is of vital importance to Minnesota politics and governance. The governorship, secretary of state, state auditor, and attorney general are up for election. Both U.S. Senate seats. All U.S. House of Representative seats. All State House seats. County Commissioner, County Sheriff, and County Attorney are up for election, and all hotly contested. The scope and breadth of the positions open for election this year make this midterm arguably more important for citizens locally than during a presidential election year. It is vital that everyone eligible to vote does exercise their right to vote.

Resources for residents to vote:

- Hennepin County “Prepare to Vote” resource page: <https://www.hennepin.us/residents/elections/prepare-vote>
- City of Minneapolis election page: <http://vote.minneapolismn.gov/>

- State of Minnesota election resources (MN Secretary of State): <https://www.sos.state.mn.us/elections-voting/>
- Other ways to vote (mail-in, early in-person, etc.): <https://www.sos.state.mn.us/elections-voting/other-ways-to-vote/>

Candidate information resources:

- MSPVotes (put together by Wedge Live): <https://elections.wedgelive.com/>
- Minnpost guide (updated regularly): <https://www.minnpost.com/politics-policy/2017/08/minnesota-election-2018-who-s-running>

Important Dates:

- June 29 - Aug. 13, 2018 - early in-person/mail-in voting for the Primary
- Aug. 14, 2018 - Minnesota Primaries
- Sept. 21 - Nov. 5, 2018 - early in-person/mail-in voting for general election
- Nov. 6, 2018 - ELECTION DAY (polls are open 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Hennepin County DFL convention

Becky Z. Dernbach | Editor

On Saturday, May 19, Hennepin County DFL delegates gathered for the endorsing convention for county attorney, sheriff, and county commissioner.

The last Hennepin County DFL endorsement convention was in spring 2014. Since then, a national movement for police accountability and criminal justice reform has grown from the streets of Ferguson to Minneapolis to ballot boxes all over the country. In 2017 Larry Krasner, a lawyer who had defended Black Lives Matter protesters, was elected district attorney of Philadelphia. In his first months in office he has abolished cash bail for many offenses and drastically reduced probationary periods. This year organizers around the country -- including here in Hennepin County -- are hoping to elect more top prosecutors who can help lead the fight against mass incarceration and transform the criminal justice system.

In one of the biggest upsets of the day, Mark Haase easily secured the DFL nomination for county attorney over longtime incumbent Mike Freeman with 65.7% of the vote on the first ballot. Haase helped start the Minnesota Second Chance Coalition, which works on criminal expungement and drug sentencing reform. In Haase’s speech to delegates, he blasted a criminal justice system that aggressively prosecutes minor drug offenses and demands cash bail. He said he had a lot of second chances growing up as a white kid in Brooklyn Center and that everyone should have those second chances including Black, brown, and Indigenous people. His supporters enthusiastically chanted “reclaim justice!”

Freeman has held the job for a total of 19 years. He ran in the nineties on a “tough on crime” platform and is known for his work fighting gun crimes. At the convention, a video of his supporters highlighted his role in creating opportunities for people of color and his decision to stop using grand juries in charging decisions after police officers kill people. But he has faced criticism in recent years for his decision not to charge the officers who killed Jamar Clark while charging the officer who killed Justine Damond. Freeman plans to stay in the race despite losing the DFL endorsement.

In the sheriff’s race, Dave “Hutch” Hutchinson, a Metro Transit police officer, easily picked up the DFL endorsement to challenge incumbent sheriff Rich Stanek with 93% of the vote. “You will notice the difference between a sheriff who puts more people of color in jail and who works with communities to meet their needs. You will notice the difference in policing styles between a sheriff who stands with ICE and against ICE,” Hutchinson said in his convention speech. Hutchinson wants to change the hiring process for deputies and hire more corrections officers. Joseph Banks, who criticized Stanek’s response to Jamar Clark protests, decision to send deputies to Standing Rock, and collaboration with ICE, had about 7% of the vote but said he would stay in the race.

Spirited contests have also emerged in the Hennepin County commissioner races. In the Hennepin County board’s entire history, there has never been a commissioner of color -- but that could change this year, with women of color running in all three districts on the ballot.

In District 4, which covers south Minneapolis, Angela Conley consistently held an advantage over 27-year incumbent Peter McLaughlin. Conley, a Black woman, has worked in social services for the county for nearly 20 years and holds a master’s degree in public administration. As a young single mom, she received county services; now she administers them. “I know the power of rising out of struggle and hopelessness,” she said. “We should celebrate the progress we’ve made, but we can’t ignore the role the county has played in exacerbating our disparities.”

McLaughlin, who has served as county commissioner since 1991, touted a long list of accomplishments including the Midtown Greenway, Midtown Global Market, and the light rail. He said that in the next four years, Hennepin County would become a national leader in eliminating racial disparities. “I have spent my life working on community change,” he said, “and this change needs to continue. I am prepared in the next four years to keep pushing forward.”

After ten rounds of balloting, in which Conley consistently garnered 55-57% of votes but did not quite reach the 60% endorsement threshold, the convention adjourned without an endorsement in District 4.

Both Conley and McLaughlin will continue running through the primary. Megan Kuhl-Stennes, a Green Party candidate and zero waste advocate, will also be on the ballot. The Minnesota primary, which will include federal, state, and county races, will be on Tuesday, August 14.

Memorial Blood Centers is Calling All Life-Savers

Press Release | Memorial Blood Centers



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Memorial Blood Centers is teaming up with the Minnesota Twins to give blood donors a chance to win baseball tickets. All presenting donors from May 24 through June 30 are automatically entered into weekly drawings for a pair of tickets to a Minnesota Twins game. Visit MBC.ORG/TWINS for more information.

Volunteers are especially needed to step up and give blood during the summer months, when schools are out of session, families take vacation, and donors are enjoying the weather.

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06/05/18	Marquette Plaza	250 Marquette Ave	Minneapolis	10:00 am - 3:30 pm
06/06/18	Capella Tower	650 3 rd Ave S, Business Center	Minneapolis	8:00 am - 2:00 pm
06/06/18	IDS Crystal Court	80 S 8 th St	Minneapolis	9:00 am - 3:00 pm
06/08/18	Children's Minnesota-Minneapolis	2525 Chicago Ave S	Minneapolis	9:00 am - 1:00 pm
06/08/18	Bad Weather Brewing	414 7 th St W	Saint Paul	3:30 pm - 6:30 pm
06/15/18	Minnesota Lynx	The Courts at Mayo Clinic Square, 600 Hennepin Ave, Ste 300	Minneapolis	11:00 am - 4:00 pm
06/16/18	Stone Arch Bridge Festival	219 Main St, Ste 304	Minneapolis	11:30 am - 4:00 pm
06/17/18	Stone Arch Bridge Festival	219 Main St, Ste 304	Minneapolis	11:30 am - 4:00 pm
06/18/18	Campbell Mithun Tower	222 S 9 th St	Minneapolis	8:00 am - 12:30 pm
06/18/18	City of Minneapolis	350 S 5 th St	Minneapolis	8:00 am - 2:00 pm
06/21/18	Oracle Building	900 Second Ave S	Minneapolis	9:00 am - 3:30 pm
06/27/18	Federal Courts Building	300 S 4 th St	Minneapolis	8:00 am - 11:00 am
06/27/18	Sociable Cider Werks	1500 Fillmore St NE	Minneapolis	4:00 pm - 7:30 pm
06/29/18	St. Paul Saints	360 Broadway St N	Saint Paul	3:00 pm - 7:00 pm

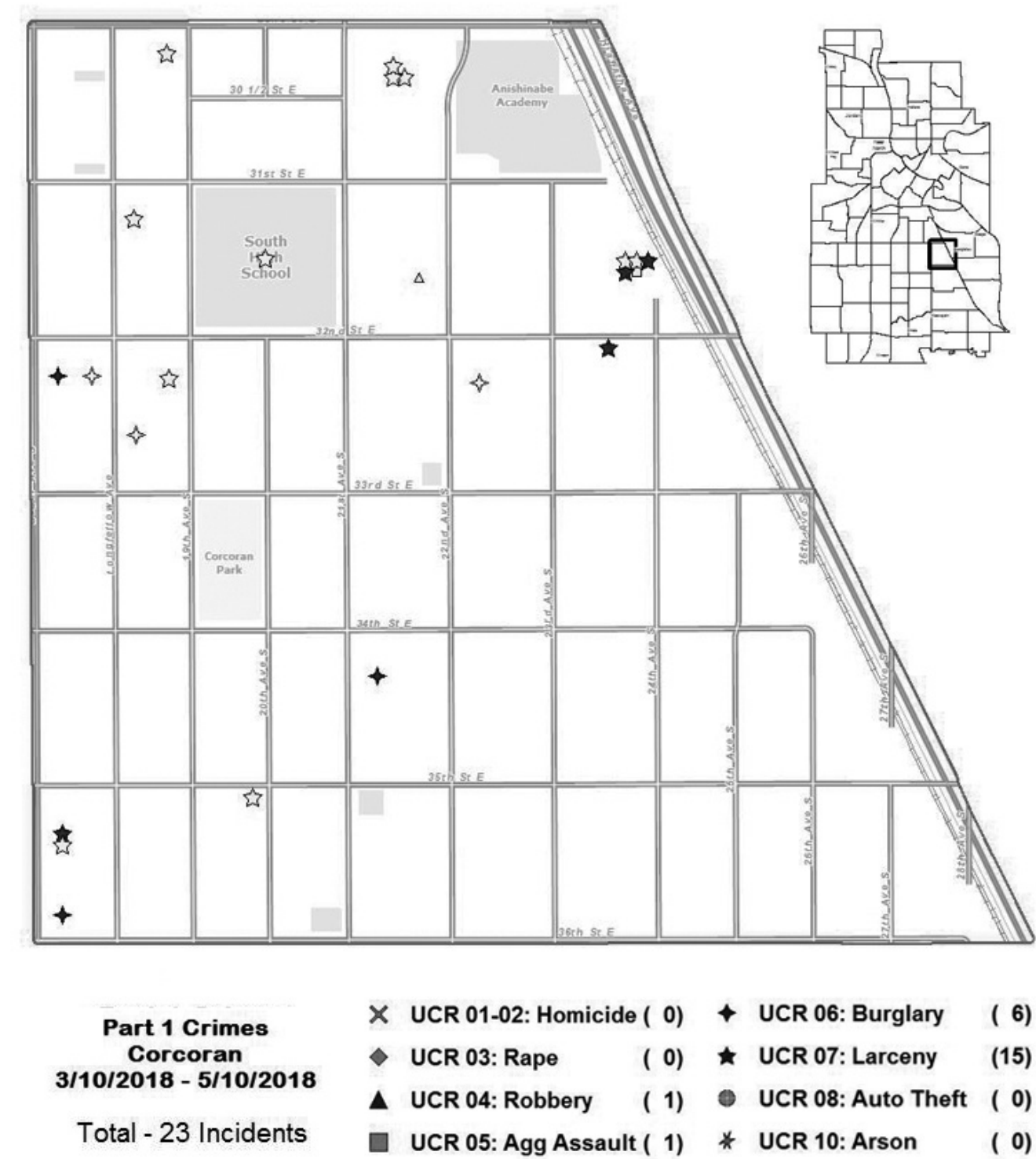


Angela Conley and her supporters take the stage at the Hennepin County DFL convention May 19. Photo: Chris Juhn

Corcoran Watch Update

Shawn Kinzel-Auer | Corcoran Neighbor and Block Leader

Corcoran Neighborhood Crime Map Mid-March 2018 | Mid-May 2018
Mapa de Delinencias en Corcoran desde medio-marzo 2018 a medio-mayo 2018.



source: MPD, Karen Notsch, karen.notsch@minneapolismn.gov, 612/673-2856

Hello and Good-bye From Your Editors

Becky Dernbach, DeAnna Miller, and Lorien Kinzel-Auer | Newspaper co-chairs

Good-bye from Becky
Corcoran neighbors, it has been a pleasure and a privilege serving as your neighborhood newspaper editor for the last three issues. I'm starting journalism school at Northwestern University in June, so it's time for another editor transition!
DeAnna Miller will be our new editor, and our layout artist Lori Kinzel-Auer will continue to serve as co-chair. The paper is in good hands, but we could still use some more volunteers. To get involved, you can email news@corcoran-neighborhood.org or come to our next planning meeting on Monday, July 9 at 6 p.m. at the CNO office.
--Becky

Meet DeAnna
Hello! My name is DeAnna Miller and I'm the new Corcoran News editor. I've lived in Corcoran since April 1998. I have two boys, two dogs, and a cat. I'd love to hear any suggestions or ideas you have for how to make Corcoran News even better!

Meet Lori
Hey! My name is Lori and I've been a fairly silent partner on the paper now for just over two years.
I do the layout on the paper. That means I'm the one who takes all of the pictures and articles our volunteers write, then formats and places them in our paper. I'm sure many of you have noticed. But since taking over the layout, along with help and suggestions from the CNO staff, board and the editor, we've made a lot of changes to the layout of the paper.
We've done simple things like simply increasing the font size on the articles to improve readability, to almost completely reorganizing how meetings and events are listed and shared. As we are a volunteer-run paper, voices behind it have changed over the last few years. In order to help support the editor in their role, I have taken on additional responsibilities with representing the paper as its co-chair to the CNO Board which I have been privileged to sit on for just over a year as an at-large member. I'm still pretty much the "silent partner" as I do not write many articles. But I'm always open to talk with anyone more about the paper, answer questions, or see if I can help you if you are interested in volunteering with CNO.
- Lori

Thank You to CNO Donors

Alicia D. Smith | CNO Staff

CNO continues to invest time and energy into working with you to create a stronger neighborhood. We work with renters, help foster new development in the neighborhood, run the Midtown Farmers Market, support businesses in the neighborhood, and enable changes to the intersection at Lake and Hiawatha. This work will not happen without you - whether you give your time or donate to CNO or the MFM, we rely on residents like you. We are continually grateful for the generosity as well as the years of involvement and dedication to create a community that is a great place to live!
Thank you to the following residents who made donations to CNO and/or the Midtown Farmers Market in March and April 2018:

- Kate Duffy*
 - Fierce Ferments*
 - Erika Garcia*
 - Russ and Jenna Grigsby*
 - Susan Hensel*
 - George Hoagland*
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2018 Board Election and Potluck

Lorien Kinzel-Auer and Flannery Clark | Corcoran Board Members

Despite on-and-off rain and a last-minute location switch to the Corcoran Neighborhood offices, on May 9 the annual board election and potluck had a great turnout. Forty neighbors gathered to chat and elect new board members. Many people were able to meet our new Executive Director Alicia Smith in person for the first time -- that is, if she could stop running and playing with the kids for a minute.
There was two new at-large members elected to the board. We are very happy to welcome Dillon Fried and Aubrie Gould. Both were already on the Land Use and Housing Committee and it's great to have their continued involvement. Flannery Clark was re-elected to a second term as board chair. We are all thankful to have her for another term for this tough position.
There are several available seats on the board still. If you are interested in serving, please contact Alicia D. Smith (alicia@corcoranneighborhood.org).
Special thanks to Corcoran GROWS, which hosted a plant swap, and to all who came to meet their neighbors and connect!



Left to Right Aubrie Gould, Flannery Clark and Dillon Fried

CNO Board Of Directors Meeting

Thursday, March 8th, 2018, 7 – 9 pm at CNO, 3451 Cedar Ave. S.

Attending: Flannery Clark, Lisa Barajas, Adam Tomczik, Matt Kazinka, April Riordan, Mike Novak, Lori Kinzel-Auer, Amy Arcand (staff), Chris Sutton, Simon Riordan (guest)

Absent: Marvin Applewhite, Ellie Watkins

Flannery called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

A. Executive Director Search

Simon Riordan gave an update on the Search Committee progress for Executive Director, having conducted interviews over the last week. Search panel has unanimously recommended a candidate for the role. Simon provided background on the process and the consensus was on the one top candidate. Search panel members shared their feedback and impressions of the candidate.

The top candidate would be able to start this month and overlap with Amy.

The search panel recommended offering the executive director position to Alicia Smith. Matt moved to offer the position. April seconded. Approved unanimously.

Flannery will follow up with a phone call to Alicia tomorrow with a verbal offer.

B. Interim Executive Director Recommendations

Amy presented recommendations for strengthening the organization moving forward, including: keeping staffing levels to four full-time positions for now, bolstering the Finance Committee, strengthening protocols around financial management, building a more welcoming atmosphere at the organization, and building capacity for new Board members on governance through orientation and other efforts.

Amy also noted that in her review of financials, that the market tokens are showing a negative balance on the balance sheet. This shouldn't be negative. Amy explained

how it appears to have occurred through some mis-coding. She recommended that CNO record \$10,021.68 in 2017 to make the Market Buck and Tokens line item zero out. Matt moved. Chris seconded. Approved unanimously.

Amy also noted that there's water intrusion in the basement. Flannery will connect with Phillip K. (our Building Committee) to help us figure out next steps based on past action to repair previous basement water issues.

C. Preparing for the New Executive Director

The Board broke into small groups to discuss priorities for the new executive director's first six months. Larger group discussion was had to share priorities and consensus arrived on top priorities, along with how the Board will support the new E.D. in that work.

D. Committee Updates

- Adam presented a motion from the Land Use and Housing Committee:
 - Recommend re-appointing Peter Bajurny to a two-year term to the Midtown Greenway Coalition.
 - Matt moves to approve the motion. Adam seconded. Approved unanimously.Adam presented other updates from the Land Use and Housing committee, including updates on: Alliance Senior Housing on East Lake just east of the Library, the recent meeting regarding the East Phillips Rooftop Depot, Long-fellow Community Council's recent discussion regarding safety at the Hi-Lake intersection, and potential development proposals on sites in the neighborhood.
- Mike provided updates on the Midtown Farmers Market Advisory Committee, including work around the positive nature of their recent meetings, internal sub-committees, sponsorships, and getting work plans organized. Mike also

- noted that Kate Sheldon has been hired as the Assistant Market Manager. The Committee would like to recruit more arts vendors. The Committee reviewed vendors for the upcoming season -- approved three new vendors to the Market. We have 48 food vendors and one art vendor.
- COPA
 - The organization is keeping records of minutes and will continue to organize for upcoming crawl. Looking for new members.
 - Lori Corcoran News
 - It is a down month for the paper, we are generating list of potential advertisers to place ads in the Newspaper. Shared that Becky will not be able to continue as the editor as she will be leaving for school.

5. Other Updates

- Amy noted that Mandi had to resign due to work commitments (staff meetings at the same time as our Board meetings). Board agreed to accept the resignation.
- CPP Annual Report needs to be submitted. Amy presented the report. The submittal needs to include a Board motion approving the report for submittal. Lori moves to approve. Matt seconds. Motion passed unanimously.
- The Board briefly discussed the May BBQ and Board elections date. It appears that the first Wednesday in May works for most Board members and is ahead of the start of Ramadan. Board members agreed to that date. Flannery will write a newspaper article advertising the upcoming event.

Meeting adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

CNO Board Of Directors Meeting

Thursday, April 12th, 2018, 7 – 8 pm at CNO, 3451 Cedar Ave. S.

Attending: Flannery Clark, Ellie Watkins, Adam Tomczik, Matt Kazinka, April Riordan, Mike Novak, Lori Kinzel-Auer, Amy Arcand (staff)

Absent: Lisa Barajas, Marvin Applewhite, Chris Sutton

7:05 Call to Order and Introductions (Flannery)

A. Introduction of Alicia D. Smith -

Flannery provided some general information about Alicia the new ED, after which Board members introduced themselves, where in neighborhood they live, and how they serve on the board and the committees they work on.

Alicia then used her time to provide her own background (on her time working for the youth program at the YMCA), methods of working, building relationships and developing programming.

Three things she wants to do by end of May:

1. Close out books and do clean-up.
2. Review Policies and Procedures.
3. Complete 990.

B. 7:25 Finance Update (April/ Finance committee)

April reviewed new committee guidelines. It will be made up of residents. She said that the Treasurer would serve as new committee's chair. April announced that she would be serving on the new committee, but will be resigning from the role of treasurer.

She moved to dissolve defunct Sustainability committee.

And authorize new finance committee. Recommends that we officially establish a new finance committee as an committee of the board.

Lori Seconded. Motion passed.

C. Hiawatha-Lake Plaza Updates

County did provided some response to our documents but no decisions. There was discussion about costs involved to CNO. Suggestion of subsidize of CNO for 3 years needs discussion and decision

D. Board Recruitment and Elections (Flannery)

There are currently four open Board positions. Flannery encouraged the board to encourage anyone we know that may be interested in joining.

Board discussed the need to look for a new Treasurer. There was some discussion about what skills we need in that position.

E. Committee Updates

- Economic Development (Matt)
 - They are receiving more applications for the "Try It" program for vendors at MFM,
 - Matt also discussed the planning of a Block Party in the area of the "Node" near Chatterbox, and the hope they can make it happen with more planning this year.
- Land Use and Housing (Adam)
 - New buildings on Lake st, are on track to be done by fall 2018. Education building is going well.
 - 3448 20th which has been an empty lot for many years now will have new construction soon, plan it to build a duplex.
 - July 22 is Open Streets, board is starting to consider what we should do. It will be the same route as the previous two years. South High will be sharing plans for an update to their athletic field.

- MFM Advisory Committee (Mike)
 - Midtown Farmers Market opens May 5th
 - Mallory has been doing a good job promoting on social media, like FaceBook and Instagram
 - Opening day will have multiple Food Trucks for the opening day "Food Trucks Fest"
 - The MFM will have student interns from the Carlson School of Business helping with setup etc.
 - However the Market is not meeting current fundraising goals and needs more volunteers.
- Newspaper (Lori)
 - Lori reminded the board that the 2nd issue of Corcoran News will be going to print and that the deadline for articles is 20th. She also reminded the board Becky will be leaving as editor in a couple of months and we should be on the lookout for a new one.
 - We will be trying to increase the paper to 12 pages again after failing last month.
- COPA (Chris),
 - Chris was absent so Lori gave a quick update on COPA's current work to promote the crawl and for COPA, they will be at the farmers market and soon will be putting out lawn signs. They are still looking for new members and asked again about where they should turn in minutes.
 - COPA will have 3 booths at Farmers Market.
- Other announcements
 - Next Board Meeting: Thursday, May 10 the day after the board elections.
 - SAT meeting 4/23 or 4/24 5
- 8:15 Announcements (All) and Adjourn

Executive Board Position Open

Alicia D. Smith | CNO Staff

CNO is seeking a fun dynamic person who would love to volunteer as the Treasurer for the community board. The Treasurer shall assure accurate records and accounts of all monies of the Corporation received or disbursed and shall present a statement of account at every Board of Directors meeting and a full report and account of the financial condition of the Corporation. The Treasurer shall pay out funds only as authorized by the Board of Directors, and perform such other duties as may from time to time be prescribed by the General Membership or the Board of Directors. The Treasurer shall see that an annual budget report is printed in The Corcoran News or some other publication that is available to Corcoran residents and presented at a General Membership meeting on an annual basis. Treasurer will also chair or co-chair the finance committee.



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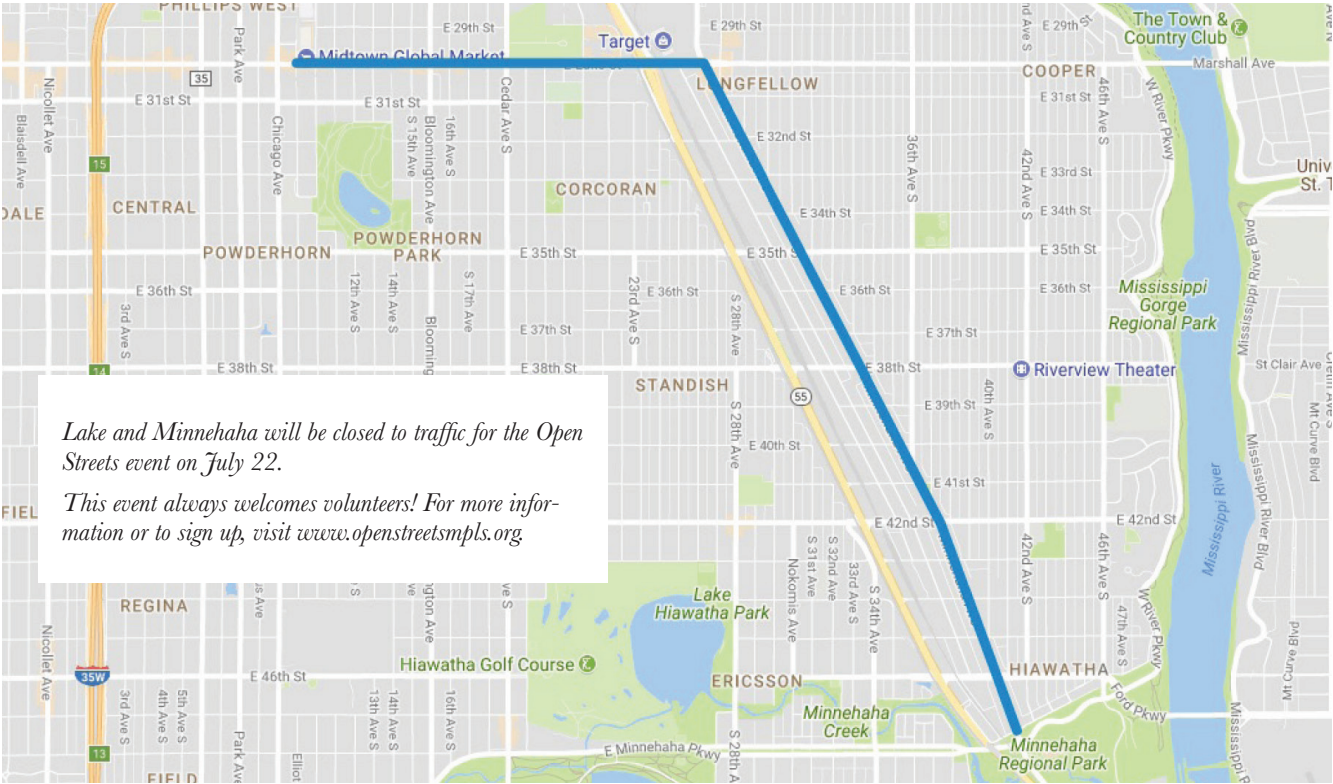
Mark your calendars -- Open Streets is coming to our neighborhood July 22!

DeAnna Miller | Editor, Corcoran News

Open Streets Minneapolis is a free event bringing together community groups and local businesses to temporarily close major thoroughfares to car traffic, opening them up for people walking, biking, rolling, and playing.

Residents and visitors explore their neighborhood in a safe, fun, family-friendly environment. Each event encourages people to use active modes of transportation, engage in healthy living, and rethink streets as public space. Open Streets Minneapolis is an opportunity to promote healthy living, local businesses, sustainable transportation, and civic pride in Minneapolis.

In 2017, more than 101,000 people participated in eight Open Streets Minneapolis events. Partner businesses and organizations hosted a total of 807 street spaces along the eight 2017 routes.



Hiawatha Trail Gap Connection Coming in 2018

Dillon Fried | Corcoran Neighbor and Board Member



Existing Conditions – Lake Street Looking South

During the 2018 construction season, Minneapolis is planning to reconnect the Hiawatha bike trail gap between 28th Street and 32nd Street. When Hiawatha Avenue was built in 1999, there was a bikeway connection on the west side of this corridor. The trail was narrowed to be an irregular width sidewalk in 2004 during construction of the Blue Line to accommodate the rail and automobile lanes needed. This created a gap in the north-south connection of the trail.

The new trail connection will be on the east side of Hiawatha Avenue. A path will be built starting from 32nd Street that runs next to the Lake Street exit from Hiawatha Avenue. The trail route crosses the complex Hi-Lake intersection by utilizing the existing pedestrian

crossings. A second new section of trail will connect from Lake Street to the existing trail at 28th Avenue by running next to the north-bound entrance lane to Hiawatha Avenue.

This project stems from the 2011 Minneapolis Bicycle Master Plan. A specific timeline for the work has not yet been released. It should be noted that this project was not a result of the 2016 Hi-Lake Intersection Study completed by the City of Minneapolis and Hennepin County. That study has so far resulted in a Draft Action Plan made available to the public in April 2018. The trail gap connection is not addressed in the plan but there do not appear to be any significant conflicts with the trail and the near-, mid-, or long-term improvements proposed in the plan.

This summer’s dates are:

- Sunday, June 10: Lyndale. 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Lyndale Ave S from W 22nd St to W 54th St
- Sunday, July 22: Lake and Minnehaha. 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. East Lake Street from Elliot Ave to Minnehaha Ave; Minnehaha Ave from Lake St to E Minnehaha Parkway / Godfrey Parkway
- Sunday, August 5: Northeast. 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Central Ave NE, 22nd Ave NE, Monroe St NE, & E Hennepin Ave.
- Sunday, August 26: Franklin. 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Franklin Ave E from Portland Ave to 28th Ave S.
- Saturday, September 15: West Broadway. 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. West Broadway from Penn Ave N to Lyndale Ave N.
- Sunday, September 23: Nicollet. 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nicollet Ave from W Lake St to W 46th St.
- Sunday, September 30: University of Minnesota. 11 am to 5 pm. 14th Ave SE, University Ave SE, and Oak St SE.

South High Field Gets a Major Upgrade in 2018

Dillon Fried | Corcoran Neighbor and Board Member



Les Barnard Field at South High is undergoing a long overdue and much-needed improvement project in summer of 2018. The current conditions of the field and the encircling track are poor and have actually prevented the school from hosting certain athletic events for many years. The improvement project has a \$4.1 million budget and includes a synthetic turf playing surface, track and field improvements, lights, bleachers, and fencing. The project is expected to break ground in June 2018 and be complete by September 2018, just in time for the new school year.

The field is located immediately north of South High, and the project improvements will be within the existing site. The field will maintain its east-west orientation. Changes to the site layout include removal of the north bleachers to accommodate widening the track from six to eight lanes

and reorienting the track and field facilities within the track loop. A new and more decorative black steel perimeter fence will replace the existing chain link fence. New bleachers will replace the existing ones on the south side of the field. Taller and upgraded lighting will allow for field programming later into evenings, which is particularly important as the days get shorter into the fall.

The South High community and officials are excited to showcase what will be one of the premier athletic facilities in the Minneapolis Public Schools once the project is complete. Uses will include everything from football and track and field to soccer, lacrosse, and ultimate frisbee. Invitational and playoff events will become regular occurrences again at the school. The upgraded facility is certain to bring a new sense of excitement and vibrancy to the South High campus and to the Corcoran Neighborhood as a whole.

