Council Member Diane Hofstede

Ward 3

City of Minneapolis

December 2012

3rd Ward Neighborhoods

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Arlene.zamora@leonard.com
Meetings:
1st Monday, 6:30 – 8:30 pm
Beltrami Park Building
1111 Summer St NE
Minneapolis, MN 55418

Bottineau
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Mpls. MN 55418
612-782-2145
bna@bottineauneighborhood.org
www.bottineauneighborhood.org
Meetings:
2nd Tuesday 6:30 – 9:00 pm
Eastside Neighborhood Services
1700 2nd St NE
Minneapolis, MN 55418

Hawthorne
2944 Emerson Ave N
Mpls. MN 55411
612-529-6033
www.hawthornecommunitycouncil.org
Meetings:
1st Thursday, 7:00 – 8:30 am
Farview Park
609 29th Ave N
Minneapolis, MN 55411

Happy Holidays!

May this season be filled with the company of good friends, the memories of good times, and the gift of happiness!

Diane Hofstede

Minneapolis City Council-3rd Ward

THIRD WARD
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NEIGHBORHOODFEST®

Our 10th Third Ward NeighborhoodFEST a Huge Success! Thank You!

On October 10th, our 3rd Ward Neighborhoods, Businesses, Organizations, and guests came together for the **10th Third Ward NeighborhoodFEST** at the Nicollet Island Pavilion. The night started with the National Anthem, and Lift every Voice and Sing.

Marcy-Holmes
415 4th Ave SE #209
Mpls. MN 55414
612-623-7633
office@marcy-holmes.org
www.marcy-holmes.org
3rd Tuesday: Jan, March, June, Oct.
Meetings:
7:30 – 9:00 pm
Pracna on Main
117 Main St. SE
Minneapolis, MN 55414

McKinley
3300 Lyndale Ave N
Mpls. MN 55412
612-276-1541
mckinleycommunity@yahoo.com
http://mckinleycommunity.com/
Meetings:
1st Monday, 7:00 – 9:00 pm

Nicollet Island/East Bank
612-340-7934
pvictor@eudamonics.com
Meetings:
3rd Monday every other month
6:30 – 8:30 pm
Location varies; call for details

St. Anthony East
saena3@gmail.com
http://saenaminneapolis.com/
Meetings:
4th Monday, 7:00 – 9:00 pm
Logan Park Building
690 13th Avenue Northeast
Minneapolis, MN 55413

St. Anthony West
909 Main St. NE, Lower Level
Minneapolis, MN 55413
612-378-8886
neighbors@stawno.org
www.stawno.org
Meetings:
2nd Thursday, 6:30 pm
909 Main St. NE, Lower Level
Minneapolis, MN 55413

Music with energetic performances in the entertainment tent; while jazz vocalist Vicky Mountain captivated the audience at the pavilion platform, a mascot parade featured a Who's Who of popular mascots, Latin dance performance, acoustic tunes, alternative rock by Third Ward residents Coax from Chuckanut, and finally the Temptations-style song and dance from POWER! WOW, What an event!

About 2,000 people attended NeighborhoodFEST this year. Visitors perused the many creative displays featuring the City of Minneapolis, local businesses and organizations. Highlights included a clay bead workshop form Clay Squared, Segway rides, food samples from restaurants and catering companies, voting information, information on City & County projects, and much, much, more!

The abundance of sights, sounds, and tastes of the Third Ward businesses, organizations, and entertainment contributed to making the night a huge success!

Thank you to everyone who attended and helped make this event possible! Our 11th NeighborhoodFEST will be on Wednesday, October 9th. See you next year!

The Plymouth Avenue Bridge Opened on October 15th!

The Plymouth Avenue Bridge re-opened on October 15th. Crews have completed repairs to the main spans over the Mississippi River, making it possible for traffic to resume. Lane restrictions will be in place until the final repairs are completed in 2013.

For more information on the Plymouth Avenue Bridge repairs, go to www.minneapolismn.gov/cip/all/WCMS1P-080733

NEW INTIATIVE: Move In Move/Out Workgroup

Council Member Hofstede has organized a Move in/Move Out workgroup to discuss strategies, develop solutions, and engage partners & collaborators in order to improve the experiences in the University District neighborhoods regarding Move in/ Move out day activities in the district. We will continue into 2013. Join us!

Lowry Avenue Bridge!

A big thank you to our Hennepin County staff, Minneapolis staff and especially former Hennepin County Commissioner Mark Stenglin in building this magnificent bridge!

Welcome to our new Hennepin County Commissioner Linda Higgins!

Sheridan
909 Main St. NE
Mpls. MN 55413
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www.sheridanneighborhood.org
Meetings:
4th Monday, 7:00 – 9:00 pm
Eastside Neighborhood Services
1700 2nd St NE
Minneapolis, MN 55413

City of Minneapolis Information
www.minneapolismn.gov
Call: 311

Precinct Meetings

2nd Precinct Advisory Council
(2-PAC)
3rd Monday, 6:00 pm
1911 Central Ave NE
Minneapolis, MN
Check Location at
612-673-2874

4th Precinct Advisory Council
(4-PAC)
3rd Tuesday, 6:30 pm
4th Precinct Meeting Room
1925 Plymouth Ave North
Minneapolis, MN

Northeast Bank: Winner of the Jefferson Award!

Northeast State Bank won the Jefferson award for their extensive volunteer program, and efforts. In 2011, board members, officers, and employees logged almost 4,000 hours of volunteer service. **Thank you Belva Rasmussen, Chairperson of the Board and Tom Beck, President of Northeast Bank!**

RED: Riverfront Entertainment District (formerly NE Strategic Partnership)

The Riverfront Entertainment District (RED) is a partnership of Third Ward Council Member Diane Hofstede, 2nd Police Precinct Inspector, Northeast Chamber, Nonprofit organizations, and others in order to promote communication, public safety and livability in the Northeast Riverfront Entertainment & community.

The new initiative with contributions from our partners has increased the number of officers paroling the area. Look for our 2nd Precinct Officers as they patrol, adding more public safety to our thriving neighborhoods and businesses. Thank you to the NE Chamber of Commerce and Jax Cafe for collaborating with the Third Ward office and 2nd Precinct on this initiative, and the recent successful event.

Thank you to Inspector Schafer, our 2nd precinct police officers and SAFE team for leading the city in crime reduction!

Janee Harteau- OUR New Minneapolis Police Chief

In November, the Minneapolis City Council approved Janee Harteau as the new Minneapolis Police Chief.

Police Chief Harteau was sworn in on Tuesday, December 4th.

Janee Harteau brings with her 25 years of experience to the Chief's office, starting in 1987, becoming the Inspector of the 1st precinct in 2006, and named as the Assistant Chief in 2011. Harteau will begin her term as Chief in January 2013.

2013 Budget

The Minneapolis City Council voted to adopt the 2013 budget on December 12, making major investments in our infrastructure, public safety, economic growth, and reform. The budget reduces city spending by 3%.

Fiscal responsibility has been a top priority of mine and as a member of the Ways & Means Budget Committee, and a City Council Member. Over the last 7 years

Snow Emergency Parking Rules

Day 1: 9 PM- 8 AM (overnight)

Park: on either side of non-Snow Emergency route streets (streets that do not have the red snow emergency signs)

Do Not Park: on either side of a street with the red sign: *Snow Emergency route*

Day 2: 8 AM to 8 PM

Park: on the **odd side** of **non-Snow Emergency route streets**

The streets that do not have the red: *Snow Emergency Route* signs
Do Not Park: On the even side of non-Snow Emergency route streets
Do Not Park : On either side of Parkways

Day 3: 8AM-8PM

Park: On the **even side of non-Snow Emergency route streets**

Do Not Park: On the odd side of non-Snow Emergency route streets

we have paid down or avoided $241 million dollars of debt, and restored the City's AAA bond rating.

We have reformed pensions, and merged closed pension funds for a savings to Minneapolis taxpayer of $20 million dollars of debt.

2013 Budget Highlights:

Public Safety:
We added $2.5 million dollars to the Police Department in order to hire 10 more officers to the department by next summer, and added $1.1 million dollars to the fire department budget to hire firefighters in advance of expected retirements.
We will continue to focus on economic development in our city with more jobs, and businesses, as we have seen in the Third Ward. Our Ward is one of the leading areas in the city for housing, and businesses entertainment growth.

Regulatory Services Reform
We have reorganized the department with a focus on delivery of savings, and delivery of our core services in this department of regulatory, health, licensing and the delivery of those services more effectively.

University Avenue NE/SE Traffic Workgroup to continue in 2013

Underway: the University Avenue Traffic Workgroup has discussed the planned overlay of University Avenue and 2nd Street NE, now completed. The focus of the workgroup in 2013 will be making recommendations on traffic speed, use of the roadways, traffic impact areas, repairs, lights, and general traffic calming strategies for University Avenue, and other streets in the Northeast and Southeast areas.

The Traffic Workgroup members include workgroup initiator, CM Hofstede, Minnesota Department of Transportation District Manager, Director of Traffic and Parking Services for the City of Minneapolis, and Second Minneapolis Police Precinct Inspector, and community members from the NE and SE neighborhoods.

To become a member of the workgroup please contact Council Member Hofstede's Office at (612)-673-2203 or diane.hofstede@minneapolismn.gov
Updates will take place at our monthly Third Ward CARE Community meetings, starting in February.

Public Meeting UPDATE: Above the Falls Master Plan

A public meeting was held to discuss the Above the Falls Master Plan, the vision to reshape the Upper Mississippi Riverfront in Minneapolis.
Presenters from the City Planning department and Park Board will introduce the draft plan. The City of Minneapolis representatives will be discussing the zoning portion while the park board will explain future park plans in the area.
We need your help in forming this master plan for our upper riverfront. The community will have an opportunity to review and comment on the draft plan.

City Council Passes Traffic Signal Retiming

On Friday, December 07, 2012 the City Council Approved and Authorized the Professional Service contract with

Short Elliott Hendrickson, Inc. for the retiming of traffic signals located in north, northeast and southeast Minneapolis.

Boom Island Brewing is a hit!

The 11 month old business is a huge hit! It is located at 2207 North 2nd St and is open on Friday's from 5:00-7:30 PM and Saturdays from 1:00-3:00 PM. Be sure to stop in soon.

Single Sort Recycling comes to Minneapolis!

The City of Minneapolis is beginning a One-Sort Recycling Collection Program. Instead of diligently sorting recyclables by category, all recyclables will go into one blue cart.

One-sort recycling, also known as no-sort recycling, will be easier for you and more efficient for us.

For more information visit: http://www.minneapolismn.gov/solid-waste/recycling/WCMS1P-099079

To view the plans and previous presentations go to http://www.minneapolismn.gov/cped/projects/cped_above_the_falls
Please submit comments to Diane Hofstede at diane.hofstede@minneapolismn.gov

City of Minneapolis Received a Legacy Grant of $250,000: A- Mill Tunnel System Condition Study

The grant will allow the city to hire professional services for an assessment of structural condition for the preservation and reuse of the historic drive tunnels, which are a vital part of the historic infrastructure of the Pillsbury A- Mill, a National Historic Landmark. The study will result in the cost estimate and potential of opening this asset for public/private use. **The $100,000,000** project is underway. Look for more activity in 2013!

November Declared Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month in the City of Minneapolis

On Friday, November 16, 2012, Council Member Hofstede initiated and the City Council and Mayor supported November as Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month in the City of Minneapolis. The City Council showed their support by wearing purple ribbons to raise awareness of pancreatic cancer; purple with a purpose.
A resolution was presented to the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network before the council meeting on November 16th. Pictured are members of the Pancreatic Action Network who received the presentation at the City Council meeting.

4th Police Precinct Public Safety Update

Since midyear Part I crime was reduced from an increase of 14% to a decrease of 1% when compared to last year. This is a testament to the commitment and dedication the 4th Police Precinct has serving the residents of the Northside.

In addition, the 4th Precinct has consistently been at top of the City in proactive work (TLE's, Suspicious Persons, and Suspicious Vehicles) and this is on top of answering either the most or second most calls for service each week. That is truly amazing.

Perhaps the most impressive statistic on the Northside this year is the 38% increase in guns recovered compared to last year. That number represents 322 guns that 4th Precinct and our citywide partners have taken off the streets in 2012.

Here are some more 4th Police Precinct Highlights

- Burglary is down 9% compared to last year.

The City Continues to Amend Pothole Repair Policy.

The Transportation and Public Works Committee is in the process of amending the Pothole repair policy for the City of Minneapolis. For more information please visit; http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/www/groups/public/@clerk/documents/webcontent/wcms1p-101146.pdf

Merwin Liquors Expanding Customer Services!

Louis Dachis, owner of Merwin Liquors is expanding customer services. He is equipping the shop with a black & white and color copier, scanning and faxing capabilities, shipping, mailbox rental, and internet services. Thank you Louis for your great work and commitment to the Neighborhood!

- Arrests are up 5% compared to last year.
- The 4th Precinct welcomed the new School Headquarters on West Broadway
- Started walking foot beats in our Gun Crime Micro-Hotspots.
- Implemented a new Burglary Preliminary Investigation Protocol.
- 4th Precinct Volunteers laid sod at a Habitat for Humanity home to support a family that had been burglarized twice.
- Increased truancy enforcement 263% this past spring to reduce juvenile crime and burglary

Thank you West Broadway North Minneapolis Cub Foods And EJ Henderson Youth Foundation!

On Tuesday, November 13th Council Member Hofstede along with other City Council Members, community partnered with Cub Foods at 701 West Broadway, the Northeast Armory solders, and the E.J Henderson Youth Foundation to give away 3,000 thanksgiving dinners to families of need in North Minneapolis; **thank you, All!**

NEW INITITATIVE: Nicollet Island East Bank Neighborhood Parking Evaluation Workgroup

The workgroup was formed to examine the existing Zoning Code parking requirements, evaluate the evolving parking needs in the Nicollet Island East Bank Neighborhood (the triangle bounded by the river, Central Ave and the BNSF tracks), and explore ideas and solutions to adequately accommodate the parking needs of the community as it continues to expand, and considering other adjacent neighborhoods.

The workgroup will be addressing the following concerns:

- Evaluate parking requirements in the zoning code for business and residential establishments in the area
- Parking availability in the neighborhood
- Impact of new developments on parking in the area
- Impact of bike lanes

The workgroup consists of

- Third Ward Council Member Diane Hofstede- Organizer
- Nicollet Island East Bank Neighborhood Association Board Representatives
- NE Business Association Representatives
- City of Minneapolis Parking and Zoning Department Representatives

NEW INTIATIVE: Green Homes North

The Green Homes North Program will provide home buyers with newly constructed green homes on City-owned vacant lots in North Minneapolis to strengthen the sustainability of our communities.

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If you want us to include a story in the next newsletter, email us!

Green Homes North will incorporate: quality green design standards; green, energy efficiency, and sustainability standards; job creation and workforce development; sourcing of local green products; and marketing to meeting homebuyer expectations.

This is the first year in a planned five year program to build 100 new homes.

The City of Minneapolis partnered with PPL to expand the Hawthorne EcoVillage by adding new homes as part of the Green Homes North Program.

For more information please visit:
http://www.minneapolismn.gov/foreclosure/WCMS1P-092486

You are invited to the January Third Ward CARE Meeting

Our Third Ward Community engagement forum will be held at 7:00 pm on Wednesday, January 16th at Eastside Neighborhood Services, Main Floor Community room, 1700 2nd Street NE, Minneapolis, MN 55418.

JOIN US: Third Ward CARE Community Meetings

Our Third Ward CARE, monthly meetings are community engagement forums to discuss and report on critical public safety, economic development and other issue of importance to our ward and the city.

2013 Third Ward CARE meeting dates:

January 16th, February 20th, March 20st, April 17th, May 15th, June 19th,
No July Meeting (due to Aquatennial), August 21st, September 18th,
No October Meeting (due to NeighborhoodFEST), November 20th ,
No December Meeting

News to Share?
If you have news that you would like to have in our newsletters and announced, please send them to the Third Ward City Council Office below.

Happy Holidays – Be Safe and Happy!

Sincerely,

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