Council Member Diane Hofstede

Ward 3

City of Minneapolis

Contact diane.hofstede@ci.minneapolis.mn.us to subscribe to 3rd Ward E-news

October / November 2007

3rd Ward Neighborhoods

Beltrami
P.O. Box 18297
Mpls. MN. 55418
612-623-2454
arlene.zamora@leonard.com
1st Monday, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.
1111 Summer St NE

Bottineau
2205 California St. N.E. #107
Mpls. MN 55418
612-782-2145
bna@bottineauneighborhood.org
4th Thursday, 7 – 9 p.m.
Eastside N'hood Services
1700 2nd St NE

Hawthorne
2944 Emerson Ave. No.
Mpls. MN 55411
612-529-6033
bworra@hawthornecommunity.org
2nd Thursday, 7 – 9 pm
Farview Park, 609 29th Ave N

Marcy-Holmes
415 4th Ave. S.E. #209
Mpls. MN 55414
612-623-7633
mhna@pro-ns.net
3rd Tuesday, 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.
Univ. Luth. Church of Hope
601 13th Ave SE

McKinley
P.O. Box 11066
Mpls. MN 55411
612-668-2286
Mckinleycommunity@yahoo.com
1st Monday, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.
City View School
3350 N 4th St

Nicollet Island/East Bank
27 Maple Place
Mpls. MN 55401
612-340-7934
www.nieba.org
3rd Monday, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.
(meets odd months only)
Times Café
201 East Hennepin Ave

Third Ward Summit Offers Extensive Palette of Information, Accomplishments and Future Opportunities

- Gratitude mixed with celebration and priority setting paint picture for this year and years to come

Third Ward residents wound their way amid tables chock full of information from local neighborhood initiatives to helpful city agencies, took a detour downstairs to sample delicious fare and ended their journey in the main hall to hear updates from **Council Member Diane Hofstede** and invited guest speakers. CM Hofstede expressed her gratitude for the many that help make the Third Ward such a vital place while highlighting numerous 2006 priorities turned into 2007 actions, initiatives and task forces. Key words such as teamwork and partnership supported this progress. Fellow speakers referred to CM Hofstede's leadership as optimistic and as one who shows the way forward.

Fellow presenters **Sherman Patterson (Office of the Mayor), Reverend Albert Galmon (Friendship Missionary Baptist Church),** and **Laudra Cavender (Principal, City View Performing Arts Magnet)** challenged attendees to be hopeful and active while looking beyond appearances to value the achievements being accomplished by those facing great odds. **Congressman Keith Ellison** made a surprise visit and spoke of his efforts to reinvest in the infrastructure of this area, stem the effects of predatory lending and urged all to focus on the positive.

Guest speaker **Assistant Chief Sharon Lubinski** spotlighted grants, historical highs in hiring minority officers and dropping crime statistics. **Director of Regulatory Services Rocco Forte** spoke of the city's response to the 35W bridge collapse and the fact that Minneapolis is rated in the top ten nationally for best Communication Systems.

Workshops followed offering guests a chance to ask questions, give feedback and supply suggestions for the future.

The day was closed with a special presentation by **Steve Kotke, Director of Minneapolis Public Works, Jon Chiglo, I-35W Design Build Project Manager, MnDOT**, and special guest speaker **Linda Figg, CEO/Director of Bridge Art** at **Figg Engineering Group** showcasing the design elements for the new I-35W bridge design.

CM Hofstede would like to thank *all the guest presenters and speakers* for helping make the Third Ward Summit such an inspiring event.

St. Anthony East
909 Main St. N.E.
Mpls. MN 55413
maryjanepartyka@aol.com
saenanrp1@aol.com
2nd Tuesday, 7-9 p.m.
Webster School Bldg
807 Broadway St NE

St. Anthony West
909 Main St. N.E.
Mpls. MN 55413
612-378-8886
www.stawno.org
2nd Thursday, 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.
Catholic Eldercare Atrium
817 Main St NE

Sheridan
1226 2nd St. N.E.
Mpls. MN 55413
612-379-0728
sno@sheridanneighborhood.org
4th Monday, 7 – 9 p.m.
Eastside N'hood Services
1700 2nd St NE

Please check with your neighborhood before attending meetings for last minute changes in location or times.

***City of Minneapolis Information**
www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us
Call 311

Special Council Meeting
Special Joint meeting of the Minneapolis City Council and the Minneapolis Library Board will be held on Nov 7th, 2007 at 6 pm at the Minneapolis Central Library (300 Nicollet Mall). This is a public hearing *regarding the merger of the Minneapolis and Hennepin County library system*. Public comment is welcome.

Third Ward Events

NEMAA Fall Fine Arts Show
See over 150 northeast artist's work at the Grain Belt Bottling House, (79 13th Ave NE) Nov 9th – 11th. Opening reception, the 9th from 6-10 pm More info at www.nemaa.org

Northeast Harvest Gathering
Building Bridges of Peace
Mon. Nov 19th, 2007 7-8 pm
NE Middle School (2955 Hayes St NE)
Speakers, children's choir, Harvest Gathering quilt presented and ends with talk by Congressman Keith Ellison. Food and conversation follow. Call 612-781-2796 for more information.

2nd Precinct Advisory Council (2-PAC)
2nd Monday, 6 pm
1911 Central Ave NE
Check location at 612-673-2874

4th Precinct Advisory Council (4-PAC)
3rd Tuesday, 7 pm
1925 Plymouth Ave N

Workshops WORK due to the Efforts of Many

- **CM Hofstede sends thanks for time and talents given by over 27 Workshop Presiders**

The list of all the presiders that gave people the opportunity to engage in face to face information, question and opinion exchanges would fill this entire page. The feedback from these sessions will be the backbone of future priorities in the coming months and years for the Third Ward. Thank you again for the many that headed up the following workshops.

- ***Public Safety***
- ***Regulatory Services***
- ***Technology/Wi-Fi/311-911***
- ***Environment & Sustainability/Traffic-Transportation***
- ***The Arts***
- ***Economic* & Neighborhood Development**

SPONSORS

Special Thanks go to those companies that sponsored the Third Ward Summit in so many ways from food to supplies, advertising and funding. In the coming issues of our Third Ward newsletter we will highlight our sponsors to give you a feel for the fine businesses that we have in the Ward and to thank them in a more personal way.

Final appreciation goes out to **Mr Bob Miller, Neighborhood Revitalization Program Director** and his staff who assisted with the workshops and the complete **staff of the Third Ward** office for the behind the scenes activities that brought this all together.

Many hands make light work and the ideas that were planted at the Third Ward Summit will grow and prosper because of the hard work and dedication of its many citizens, businesses, schools, government agencies, and neighborhood organizations.

Businesses Affected by 35W Bridge Collapse Get Help

Four percent interest rates with 30 year loans are being offered by the US Small Business Administration. Eligibility is determined by size and type of business and its financial resources. Deadline for applications are May 22, 2008. Information is available at 1-800-659-2955 or at the following website, sba.gov/services/disasterassistance.

When You *Care* About Your Community than the CARE Committee Meetings are the Place For *YOU*!

- ***Resident*** based meetings solve property and safety issues through cooperation & communication

It is wonderful to realize that the CARE Committee has reached its first year anniversary and done so many good things during that time. It is also the perfect opportunity to hit the refresh button on how to bring your safety and property issues forward. *You* are the eyes and ears in your neighborhood and the engine that drives CARE. Issues or problem properties can be submitted in the following manner:

- Go to www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/council/ward3/ and choose *City and Neighborhood Resources* followed by *3rd Ward CARE Problem Property Form.* Download the form, fill it in and return it to the 3rd ward office or bring it to the next CARE committee meeting.
- A second option is to call the 3rd Ward office at 612-673-2203 and office staff will assist you in filling in the form over the phone.
- Lastly, forms are available at all the CARE committee meetings.

Come and be empowered by the many who share your desire to keep the Third Ward a great place to live, work and play. The CARE committee meetings are held the *third Wednesday of the month* from 7 to 8:30 p.m. The **Nov/Dec meeting** will be held at Eastside Neighborhood Services - Room 103 (1700 2nd St NE) on Wednesday, December 5th (this is an exception due to the holidays). The speaker will be **University of Minnesota Police Chief Greg Hestness**. The site is wheelchair accessible, with sign language interpreters or materials in alternative formats available by contacting the Third Ward office.

Minneapolis Mediation Program Offers Path from Problems to Solutions

Founded in 1983 this nonprofit organization is affordable, confidential, and fair. Mediation is a conflict resolution process in which people meet together, with the assistance of a neutral mediator to resolve their differences. They cover a wide array of issues from landlord/tenant problems to neighborhood conflicts, property damage and family issues. Call 612-822-9883 or go online at www.mplsmediationprogram.org for more details.

Minneapolis Parks Sports & League registration begins early November with youth & adult teams forming. Fees, recreation center sites & forms at www.minneapolisparks.org. Call 612-230-6400 to find the park nearest you. The Third Ward is a great place to get in shape, compete and meet new neighbors. Join today!

City Continues Efforts

Here's what the City of Minneapolis is doing about mortgage foreclosures

- Providing easy access to foreclosure counseling and assistance programs using Minneapolis 3-1-1.
- Working with neighborhood organizations and developers to revitalize housing in areas hardest hit by foreclosures.
- Securing and maintaining vacant properties when a foreclosure cannot be prevented – until they are sold.
- Investigating suspicious real estate practices and working with state government to make them illegal in Minnesota.

Change of Seasons brings New Ways to Help the Environment

Street sweeping began Oct 23rd. Watch for "No Parking" signs!

Bag your leaves. It is illegal to rake leaves into the street. Leaves end up in our lakes and rivers where they over-fertilize and deplete oxygen. Help nature and get a good workout!

Install a programmable thermostat. Drop your home temperature by five degrees at night and while you are away to reduce your heating bill. Every degree below 68 will cut your heating bill by 3%.

Let the sunshine in. Let solar heat warm you home by opening drapes by day. Keep the days buildup of heat indoors by closing drapes at sunset.

Wear a sweater at home. Keep yourself warm and you will need less heat at home. Bare feet are for the beach. Socks save the day. Every little bit helps!

Third Ward Extra

From the Desk of Council Member Diane Hofstede: What's Up? Who's New? Go Where? In the Third Ward

Third Ward businesses, residents, & entrepreneurs featured in print this month

- **The Purple Onion** (1301 University Ave SE) built within a Dinkytown apartment complex has expanded its space and its menu! Try a made-to-order sandwich on your next trip out in the Third Ward.
- *Can't make up your mind? Try both!* Two local establishments are across the street from each other and offer you two venues to sample. A large selection of exotic brews can be had with truffle fries at the **Bulldog N.E.** (401 E Hennepin Ave).
- **Whitey's World Famous Saloon** (400 E Hennepin Ave) has been a staple on E Hennepin for years offering old-school favorites, and great brunches.
- **Intelligent Nutrients** (983 E Hennepin Ave) near 35W and E Hennepin Ave in **Beltrami neighborhood** is an organic deli offering salads, soups, sandwiches and smoothies. A funky visual facade leads to space offering organic retail products in addition to the great food.
- Need a trim? **Cost Cutters** (329 Central Ave SE) has moved into the Cobalt Condominium Building. Free parking in the Lunds parking ramp available.
- Congratulations to **Bethel Evangelical Lutheran church** (1115 30th Ave N) as it celebrates 95 yrs of ministry. Come on Nov 4th at 2 p.m. for a special anniversary service.

Northeast Walking Challengers Step across the Nation

Without leaving home walkers go shore to shore

BRAVO! Northeast neighborhoods deserve applause after four months of heavy-duty walking. They took on the challenge to do a virtual trek across the USA (6.4 million steps) and 7 of the 19 teams did just that! St Anthony West walked the farthest and took first place, but all were winners due to the health benefits they accrued. Third Ward neighborhoods participating were; *St Anthony West, Bottineau, Sheridan, and St Anthony East*. The next challenge will be in the spring of 2008. For more information contact Sheila Biernat at sbiernat@esns.org or 612-787-4020.

Two Northeast Parks in the News

- Old park reopens, new park land dedicated

Gluek Park (1926 Marshall St NE) will be taking down the chain link fences as final restoration work comes to an end. The park's gazebo is under construction, plantings are being completed and paving/sidewalk work will be done soon after. Asbestos contamination closed the park for several years but restoration efforts have brought it back to life.

On Saturday, November 10th, at 10 a.m. mark your calendar to attend the dedication of the first named park owned by the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board in Sheridan neighborhood since the neighborhood's inception. The event will include speakers, tree planting, schematic drawings of future development, and the unveiling of the new park sign. **Sheridan Memorial Park** is a regional park that will include a memorial to veterans of the U.S. Military. (1300 Water St NE)

Contact Information for Council Member Diane Hofstede

Room 307, 350 South Fifth Street, Minneapolis, MN 55415-1383

Phone Number: 612-673-2203 **Fax:** 612-673-3940 **TTY:** 612-673-2157

E-mail diane.hofstede@ci.minneapolis.mn.us