



# Fourth Ward Report

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### Minneapolis 311

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E-mail 311:

**Minneapolis311@ci.minneapolis.mn.us**

311 Online Services:

**<http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/311/online-services.asp>**

### 4<sup>th</sup> Ward Neighborhood Group Links

Cleveland

Folwell

Lind Bohanon

Jordan

Shingle Creek

Victory

Webber Camden

## Emerson Avenue Bike Lane Meeting

A meeting has been scheduled to discuss a potential bike lane and traffic calming on Emerson Avenue North:

**Wednesday, August 17**

**6:30 p.m.**

**Webber Park Community Center, 4400 Webber Pkwy.**



Minneapolis Public Works staff has created a draft list of traffic calming locations based upon the feedback of block club leaders along Emerson Avenue. They would like to present this draft list to the community for comment. Traffic calming improvements would slow down motorists, improve pedestrian safety, and add greenery to the street. These changes would also pave the way for Emerson Avenue to be designated as a north-south bicycling route, connecting the Webber Parkway bike path with future bike routes on Emerson and Fremont Avenues south of 33rd Avenue. No parking will be taken out. For more information contact Shaun Murphy, 612-333-2450 or [shaun.murphy@ci.minneapolis.mn.us](mailto:shaun.murphy@ci.minneapolis.mn.us). Visit the web page at <http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/bicycles/EmersonFremont.asp>



## Friends of Webber Park Library

The Friends of Webber Park Library are proud to present a reading by Faith Sullivan, one of Minnesota's favorite authors. She has written a number of novels, including *The Empress of One*; *What a Woman Must Do*; *The Cape Ann*; and *Gardenias*. Faith is not only an incredible author, but an engaging speaker who captivates her listeners with her delight with the world of imagination and story. Faith's novels take the reader into an earlier era where her vivid characters come alive with power, compassion, humor and the desire for more. Faith is passionate about books, libraries, writing and sharing the power and sheer joy of the written word. She will be reading from her works and will welcome your questions and comments.

The reading is free and any donations to the Friends of Webber Park Library are welcome and appreciated. The reading will be held on:

**September 14 at 7:00 pm**

**at The Warren, 4400 Osseo Road**

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## Updated Tornado Recovery Information

The City of Minneapolis has created four flyers provide citizens with the most current updates on tornado recovery info (click the links below):

[Tornado Recovery Updates](#) – A newsletter with updates on the tornado recovery and resources available to help folks on the North Side

[North Minneapolis tornado housing resources](#) – A flyer that provides information homeowners may find useful as they plan and make repairs to their properties

[North Minneapolis rental resources](#) – A flyer that provides information renters may find useful if their home was affected by the tornado

[Tornado Recovery Hotline flyer](#) – A flyer that provides information on the Northside Community Response Team's hotline, which is a source of information and resources for people affected by the tornado

For more information visit <http://www.minneapolismn.gov/tornado/>



## National Night Out

Thank you to all the 4th Ward block clubs that participated in National Night Out on Tuesday, August 2. It was a beautiful night to spend time with neighbors and meet new people.

## Frequently Asked Question



**Q.** Scrapers are taking my recycling. What can I do to stop it?

**A.** Recycling theft or "scavenging" is the unauthorized collection of recyclable materials set out by residents for authorized collection programs with the City. It may appear to be a harmless act, but scavenging gives individuals an opportunity to survey what items you have in your alley, garage and home and takes revenue from the City that could have helped keep your solid waste fees lower.

You can discourage "scavengers" by:

- Not putting your recyclables out until the day of pickup.
- Asking your neighbors not to put their recyclables out until the day of pickup.
- Call 911 if you see "scavengers" taking items. If the person leaves prior to the arrival of officers, you can call 911 back to let the operator know that a squad is no longer needed.

## Top 5 Fourth Ward Service Requests to Minneapolis 311

*Minneapolis 311 is a simple, three-digit number residents, businesses and visitors can call to reach the City to inquire about services, report problems, check the status of issues, or get information.*



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Rank	Department Name	Service Request Type	Number of Service Requests
1	Regulatory Services	Exterior Nuisance Complaint	154
2	Regulatory Services	Abandoned Vehicle	53
3	Regulatory Services	Animal Complaint - Livability	46
4	Regulatory Services	Residential Conditions Complaint	37
5	Regulatory Services	Animal Complaint - Public Health	32