



Kingfield News

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Kingfield Crime and Safety Task Force

The Kingfield Crime and Safety Task Force continues to meet monthly with Crime Prevention Specialist Tom Thompson and Lt. Marie Przynski. The task force is active in helping neighbors develop strategies to address crime on individual blocks and throughout the neighborhood. Residents have successfully worked with police on a problem drug house, filed Community Impact Statements concerning a nuisance property, helped identify drug dealing/prostitution patterns and formed a Citizen Patrol. In the upcoming months the task force will be researching neighborhood crime prevention strategies that incorporate environmental design and alley or front yard lighting.

One of the best crime fighting strategies is getting to know your neighbors. Kingfield will be holding a Block Leader training with Tom Thompson on Tuesday, January 16 from 7:00-8:30 p.m. at King Park. Current Kingfield Block Contacts/Leaders are also encouraged to attend. Please call the KFNA office to RSVP.

The neighborhood's three Citizen Patrol walking groups have been combined into one group for the fall and winter. The combined walking group meets at King Park, Tuesdays at 7pm, to put on their vests and plan their route. The walking group will be working on a neighborhood lighting survey - mapping dark alleys and streets throughout Kingfield. Dark blocks will be approached with an opportunity to apply for a Community

Initiated Grant to install appropriate lighting. Any Kingfield resident can join the walk by signing up at www.kingfield.org or completing the registration form at King Park.

Kingfield also invites blocks to organize a winter Block Walk. You pick the date and time to do a Citizen Patrol walk with your neighbors. Blocks will be equipped with neon Kingfield Citizen Patrol vests. Use the activity as a reason to connect with neighbors, pick up litter, clean the leaves from neighborhood storm sewers, or shovel out problem intersections. Call the KFNA office at 612-823-5980 #3 to sign up!

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El grupo que se reúne para hablar del crimen y la seguridad en el vecindario Kingfield sigue reuniéndose todos los meses con el especialista de la prevención del crimen, Tom Thompson, y la Teniente Marie Przynski. Este grupo se mantiene activo para ayudar a los vecinos a desarrollar estrategias para luchar contra el crimen en las cuadradas individuales y en toda la zona. Los residentes, con la policía, han enfrentado exitosamente un problema de una casa donde se vendían drogas y han hecho reportes del impacto en la comunidad (Community Impact Statements) acerca de una propiedad que era una molestia. También han ayudado a identificar evidencia de la venta de drogas y prostitución, y han formado una patrulla de ciudadanos. Durante los meses que vienen, el grupo va a investigar estrategias para prevenir el crimen en esta zona usando diseño ambiental y más luces en las calles de servicio o en frente de las casas.

Una de las mejores estrategias para prevenir el crimen es conocer mejor a los vecinos. Va a haber un entrenamiento para los líderes de cuadradas con Tom Thompson el martes, 16 de enero desde las 7:00pm hasta las 8:30pm en el parque Martin Luther King. Se les animan a asistir a los líderes y contactos de las cuadradas de Kingfield. Por favor llame a la oficina de la asociación de Kingfield para

Crime and Safety Task Force

Third Tuesday of Each Month
Next Meeting and Block Leader Training:
January 16, 2007
7:00-8:30pm
King Park, 4055 Nicollet Ave.

Kingfield Citizen Patrol

Walking this winter!
Every Tuesday
7:00-9:00pm
King Park, 4055 Nicollet Ave.

Organize a Citizen Patrol Block Walk by calling KFNA office at 612-823-5980x3

Community Initiated Grants

\$1000 for block project
\$3000 for neighborhood wide project
Grant guidelines and applications at www.kingfield.org
or call 612-823-5980x3

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Los tres grupos de patrullas de ciudadanos que caminan se han unido a un solo grupo para otoño e invierno. El grupo se reúne los martes a las siete de la noche para ponerse los chalecos y planificar la ruta. Este grupo va a hacer unas investigaciones acerca de las luces en esta zona, para hacer mapas de las calles de servicio (alleys) y otras calles que son oscuras. Las cuadradas que son más oscuras tendrán la oportunidad de aplicar por un otorgamiento de la comunidad (Community Initiation Grant) para instalar las luces apropiadas. Cualquier residente del vecindario Kingfield puede participar en la caminata por inscribirse en www.kingfield.org o por llenar la forma en el parque Martin Luther King.

Kingfield también invita a las cuadradas a organizar una caminata de invierno. Se puede escoger la fecha y hora para hacer una caminata de patrulla ciudadana con los vecinos. La gente podrá usar los chalecos de neón de la Patrulla Ciudadana de Kingfield. Se puede utilizar esta actividad para conectar con los vecinos, recoger la basura, limpiar las hojas de las acantarillas, o palear las intersecciones que son problemáticas. ¡Llame 612-823-5980 #3 a la oficina de la asociación de Kingfield para inscribirse!

Community Building: Movie Night

On the first Friday of nearly every month for the last 7 years, my family and I have walked down the block, potluck item in hand, to "movie night." The premise is simple: there are no invitations, no dress code, no RSVP's, just a standing date among a half dozen families to show up at Tim and Christine's house for food and a movie.

Tim usually picks the film but just as often somebody else will offer to bring a title. In the early years selections tended towards cheesy black & white horror flicks such as "Attack of the 50 Foot Woman" and "The Mole People". We've now seen over 80 movies ranging from film noir classics to "Caddyshack". If the movie turns out to be a real bomb, that's just all the more fun. Case in point: the night our movie procurer thought he was renting a classic Dracula production. As we began watching we quickly realized that it was a low budget 70's remake featuring a Gothic era vampire with a mildly southern accent.



Neighbors enjoy a potluck dinner before the movie.

Over the years our families have grown. Between the roughly half dozen couples that have become the staple participants, we have added six kids to the original mix. These days, this often means that part of the family will stay for the potluck, then head home with the preschoolers when the movie starts. Some nights the movie is conspicuously kid-friendly and everybody stays.

I can't guarantee that a "movie night" such as ours is a reliable model for community building. There is no question, however, that through the years our group has formed into an enduring community. Naturally, the essential key to our longevity is that our hosts continue to open their doors every month. Beyond that, we have shared enough meals and movies to become genuinely familiar with each other. We have witnessed career changes, consoled family deaths, welcomed babies, exchanged parenting tips and shared frustration over home improvement projects.

My family loves and looks forward to our monthly movie night. If it sounds intriguing to you, try it. The premise is simple: a standing invitation for dinner and a movie. Some nights only four people will show up, other nights you'll have a full house. Some movies will cause collective moans as you realize how awful they are, others will elicit a round of applause as the lights come up.

-Thor Anderson

KFNA Thanks its Donors

In November, KFNA mailed a letter to each household explaining the work that we do and requesting financial contributions from you, the community that we serve. To date, already 70 of you have responded and provided over \$2500 to KFNA to continue our community building and redevelopment work in the neighborhood. If you missed our letter, you can review it online at www.kingfield.org. Rest assured, there is still time before the end of the year to give KFNA your tax-deductible donation via PayPal from our website, or by mailing a check to the KFNA office at 3754 Pleasant Ave. S., MPLS, MN, 55409.

We would like to invite all donors and any other interested residents to attend the December KFNA Board meeting to see your neighborhood board in action. This special meeting will include an Open House forum, which will provide you with a chance to ask questions of the board about their projects, priorities, and goals. For more information, see the President's Letter on page 2.

Kingfield Youth put on an Art Show "to die for"!

Twenty-five local youth (ages 3-17) created a piece of art inspired by the theme "Art to /di/ for" (DI referring to any meaning of the word they selected!) and displayed their work at Anodyne in early November. The artist reception attracted a large crowd of families, friends, and curious neighbors who enjoyed the show and participated in Mexican Sugar Skull decorating, a hands-on project demonstrating yet another aspect of art to die for! KFNA extends a heartfelt "Thank you!" to all the participating artists and to our host, Anodyne@43rd!

Artists: ~ Andrew Ronald ~ Christopher Lyle ~ Claire & Claudia McCarron ~

Dre Jones ~ Edoardo Ortegon ~ Ellen Thoennes-Keller ~ Emily Montero ~ Ethan Oscarson ~ Gerhardt Robinson ~ Irene Choi ~ Jaena Klein ~ Jake Richard ~ Jordyn Drake ~ Julia Shepard ~ Julian Ortegon ~ Kari Boesch ~ Keegan Robinson ~ Matthew Choi ~ Mina Klein ~ Oskar Robinson ~ Salaam Alamey-Novak ~ Samantha Richard ~ Sarah Shepard ~ Soren Walljasper

About the Kingfield Neighborhood Association

The Kingfield neighborhood runs from 36th to 46th Streets, between Lyndale Avenue and 35W.

The Kingfield Neighborhood Association (KFNA) office is located in The Center for Performing Arts building, room 101:

KFNA Office
3754 Pleasant Avenue South
Minneapolis, MN 55409
Phone 612-823-5980
E-mail kfna@email.com
www.kingfield.org

The KFNA board meets the second Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. at ML King Park, 4055 Nicollet Avenue So. The following residents are serving on the **KFNA Board of Directors** for the 2006-2007 term:

Thor Anderson.....821.1046
Darrell Gerber.....824.7366
Peter Hallstrom.....821.9405
Mark Hinds.....870.9272
Martha Ingram.....825.4984
Arthur Knowles.....823-0808
Ben Kristensen.....822.2312
Erik Lindseth.....827.3890
David Saddoris.....396.3472
Diana Schleisman.....822.4690
Niki Valens.....824-2286
Sean Wherley.....825.4952
JobyLyn Sassily.....382.4268

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Sarah Linnes-Robinson .823.5980
NRP Project Organizer:
Joanna Hallstrom.....823.5980x3

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If you are interested in writing, editing, designing, or taking photographs for the *Kingfield News*, call the KFNA office at 823-5980.



King Park Directors Corner

Winter is fast approaching and a lot of exciting things have been happening at the park lately. Congratulations to Kristian Lee who received the MPRB Teen Recognition Award for all his hard work with the fundamentals soccer program, while Gary Armstrong received the MPRB Adult Recognition Award for 12 years of continued dedicated service at King Park. I would also like to thank all the soccer and football players and parents for their dedication this past season and encourage children to register for the upcoming basketball season.

As many of you know, longtime Youthline Mentor Marshall Wylie was transferred to Central Gymnasium. While we are all very sad to see him go; we wish him good luck with his new assignment. At this time I would like to formally announce our new Youthline Mentor, Annie Olson. Annie is a 2000 graduate of the University of Minnesota with a degree in Speech Communication. She has been working in youth programs for 15 years, and as a Youthline Mentor at Sibley Park for the last 6 years. She has made quite an impression on the teens here at King Park over the last

Note From the President

Board recruitment is never easy.

I used to host coffees in the spring before the annual meeting - an hour or two to "meet the President" on a weekend at Anodyne or Caffe Tempo. I would station myself in a Kingfield shirt, coffee in hand, arguments in my head to convince even the busiest volunteers to donate a little more of their precious time to serve as directors on the KFNA board.

And then, last year, no one showed. Twice.

So I read the paper, which is a nice enough way to start the day, but does little to advance recruitment other than to remind me that we could use more good people working for the good of the neighborhood.

As for this year, we're trying something new. At our scheduled

board meeting on December 13, at 7:00 p.m. at King Park, we're having a little holiday party. Our Executive Director will bring refreshments and the last existing tub of Kingfield's signature ice cream flavor, Rhubarb Crisp. I've asked board members to bring two important items - at least one potential new board member and complementary (and complimentary) treats. A sugar buzz is good for any policy discussion.

You are hereby invited. We'll cover some business so you can see how the board works - a few reports on major projects, some old business, then some new. We'll tangle mildly with Robert's Rules. If called upon, I'll even try to prove that a dramatic reading of the monthly financial statement is not an oxymoron. We'll shorten it up - we typically bring it in at two hours - and leave some time for questions and discussion. Or, gauging the will of the

assembled group, perhaps we'll just sample the culinary wares and socialize with our neighbors.

However it plays out, we want it to be an easy and early opportunity to get a sense of KFNA. You can take some time to ponder board service before our annual meeting in April (where six directors will be elected), instead of taking a pass that night through lack of familiarity with the process or people. If we pique your interest in serving, we will have succeeded. I may even have some company at "Meet the President" this spring other than cold newsprint.



Erik Lindseth

-Erik Lindseth
KFNA President

Stormwater Management Project Update

The KFNA stormwater best management practice (BMP) retrofit project is flowing along on schedule. Contracts are in place with design professionals, and a number of property owners have signed participation agreements. Design will be conducted over the winter, with hopes of good weather for installations in late spring/early summer.

The Green Committee and design professionals have worked together to

plan for demonstration of a variety of innovative stormwater treatment practices at residential and commercial properties in Kingfield. The implementation will likely include pervious pavement, pervious pavers, water redirection, rain gardens, and possibly even a "living wall" and cistern storage system. The committee will conduct a tour next summer to showcase these stormwater management practices and discuss the benefits, challenges, and costs

associated with their implementation.

Look for signs around the neighborhood this spring, or contact the KFNA office (612-823-5980 or kfna@email.com) for more details on this program and the stormwater treatment technologies being considered.

-Dave Saddoris
KFNA Green Committee

Lighting Petition sent for Approval

The Lyndale Streetscape Committee (LSC) submitted its Lyndale Lighting Improvement Project petition to the City on October 31st. If the petition passes and is subsequently approved by the City Council, alternating high and low lighting will line the Avenue from 31st Street to Minnehaha Creek at the conclusion of the upcoming Lyndale reconstruction project. This new lighting will result in uniformly illuminated sidewalks. The low level lights will be pedestrian level lights with lantern style fixtures.

The next step is for the City to

validate the signatures and calculate whether those signatures represent at least 65% of the assessable area of the reconstruction project zone required for the petition to pass. Given that over 325 signatures were submitted, it will probably take the City until Christmas to complete this processing. The results will be posted on the Hennepin County website when they become available.

In calculations done by the LSC, the petition appears to meet the criteria required by the City. There was both breadth and depth to the petition. Signatures were collected from the three churches on the avenue and from Redeemer Residence (the four largest properties in the project area), small businesses, rental property and residential property owners. At least 65% of the property owners on almost every block supported the petition.

This effort was a model for collaborative community-based projects. The LSC worked with the six neighborhood associations that represent this section of Lyndale

Avenue, the Hennepin County Transportation Department, the City Public Works Department and the Minneapolis Parks and Recreation Board (MPRB). Even though the project area covered 21 City blocks, over 2.5 miles of roadway, approximately 1.6 million square feet of land and over 500 properties, the petition process was still completed in less than three months by a completely volunteer organization. The petition process is the culmination of twelve months of work by the LSC and a 13-year effort by the Lyndale Avenue Task Force (LATF) for this section of the Avenue.

The LSC has also secured approval from the City and the MPRB to plant the new medians from 31st to 38th Streets with trees and turf. There will be no additional assessment for these "green" medians or their maintenance.

The Lyndale Reconstruction project is planned to begin in the spring of 2007 and be completed in the fall of 2008.

-Matt Perry

Business Façade Program Reopens

KFNA approved re-opening its successful 2000-2004 Business Façade Improvement Program (BFIP), targeted to improvements to the exterior of neighborhood businesses, by moving \$50,000 of grant money, available immediately, into the program. The maximum grant available is \$12,500; businesses that have not previously received a Kingfield BFIP Grant are eligible to apply. Funds will be granted on a first-come/first-served basis until fully committed; proposals will be reviewed monthly by the KFNA Redevelopment Committee.

Guidelines for the program and applications can be found on the Kingfield website at www.kingfield.org, or can be acquired by calling KFNA at 612.823.5980.

In the past, BFIP funds have been used by businesses to replace storefront windows, tuckpoint crumbling brick, paint worn-out facades, and put up lights and awnings. If you are a Kingfield business owner, whether leasing or owning the business property, and have questions regarding eligible projects, please call KFNA or contact staff via e-mail at kfna@email.com.

Nicollet-East Harriet Business Association

Meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month
Next meeting: January 17, 7 a.m. - 8 a.m.

Curran's Family Restaurant,
4201 Nicollet Ave. S.

All Kingfield businesses, storefront or home-based, are invited to attend

-Brian Cornell

First Park Board Soccer Team

Five years into the Neighborhood Revitalization Program (NRP) project to bring Kingfield kids and parents back to King Park, the "Little Kid's Soccer Program" sprouted the addition this year of an "under-10" soccer team to play in the Fall 2006 Park Board league. This is the first kids' soccer team from the neighborhood to play in the Park Board fall league in over ten years! It's not the first time we've tried to develop a league team from the King Park - KFNA jointly sponsored "Fundamentals" soccer program. But it's the first time we've succeeded.

The King Park team was a group of 8- to 10-year-old boys and girls, playing in the Park Board's "Open" division. A couple from Richfield from the summer Fundamentals Program, Delayne Poitra and Eric Lutz, acted as coach-managers for the team. Two of our summer youth coaches, Kaitlin Yoder-Henley (South High senior), and Kristian Lee (Anthony 8th grader), assisted with the coaching.

The team was comprised of Thomas

Tang, Shantee Young, Kaia Findlay, Derik Poitra, Denaela Brooks, Hazel Bryan, Prince Prowd, Jordan Troy, and Augustin Kunn. This feisty team of mostly 8-year-olds was just the sort of fun, low-key team that makes the Minneapolis Park Board leagues a good place for kids to learn and grow. They won several games, some against all-male teams of mostly 10-year-olds. The highlight was winning their first post-season tournament game against a Lynhurst Park team. The game was decided after cutting sides for two-minute, "sudden death" overtime periods from a full 6 versus 6, to 5 versus 5, all the way down to three rounds of 2 versus 2. Prince Prowd and Augustin Kunn were still on the field for the King Team at the end.

We hope to keep this group together through the winter and summer fundamentals sessions, and that they will be just one of several Park Board soccer teams from King Park next fall. We also hope for enough girls to have one team in the all-girls league. This will likely depend on the turnout of

kids from Kingfield. Kids and parents from outside the neighborhood still far outnumber Kingfield folks, both in the Fundamentals Program (35 to 65 registered depending on the season) and on this first Park Board team in over ten years.

The NRP project will continue into its sixth year in 2007, with the winter Fundamentals Program running January through April, Fridays from 6 to 7:15 p.m., for kids ages 4 through 12. With your help, we will sprout more Park Board teams at the end of next summer's session (twice a week in June and July)!

-Michael Vanderford
wk: (612) 713-5148

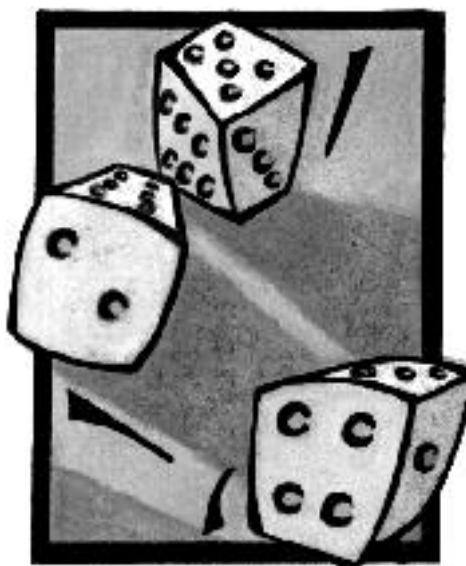
Building Community Through Art: Calling All Kingfield Artists!

Kingfield's Second Annual Community Art Show, *Art to /di/ for*, will be held in March. We are inviting all community members and artists to submit works that demonstrate the wealth and breadth of creativity and talent we have in Kingfield. You are each invited to create art focusing on the common word or object /di/. Artists can use a literal die, or choose imagery that depicts nuances and emotions associated with any meaning of the word /di/. Artists are encouraged to be flexible in their interpretation of the word and how it is incorporated in their work.

Artwork does not need to be completed until mid-March, 2007. Selected works will be hung in Anodyne throughout the month, and all works will be available for sale via a public auction at a neighborhood party the night of March 24th. Registrations to include your artwork in the show will be accepted on-line at www.kingfield.org in December, or can

be received by mail by calling 612.823.5980. Registration assures you a place in the show and entitles you to complimentary ticket. You do not need to know the title or details of the artwork you are submitting to register! Artists may keep up to 50% of the proceeds from the sale of their artwork; KFNA will use the remainder to support future art events in the community.

This event builds upon last spring's "Art is the Key" art show and auction. KFNA believes that art is the key to community. *Art to /di/ for* will help our community live and thrive by bringing artists and neighbors together in the creation and appreciation of art. If you have any questions regarding



the show or the March event, please contact Sarah Linnes-Robinson, Executive Director, at kfna@email.com or 612.823.5980.

Kingfield Farmers' Market Customer Survey

Please complete the following survey. Your comments will be very helpful for 2007 market planning. Surveys returned by February 2, 2007 will be entered to win a Kingfield Farmers' Market T-shirt or tickets to the *Art to /di/ for* Art Auction.

How/when did you first hear about the market?

What suggestions do you have to advertise the market and make it more visible?

How frequently do you shop at the market? / Daily / Once or twice per year / Never

How do you get to the market? / Walk / Bike / Car / Bus

How far do you live from the market?

Why do you, or don't you, shop at the market?

Would you / have you recommended the market to a friend? Y/N

If you could add vendors to the market, what products would they sell?

How would you enhance the market atmosphere and customer experience?

What type of events/activities would you enjoy at the market?

What other services, besides market gardeners, could KFNA provide at the market?

Contact information optional - must include a drawing.

Name: _____ Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Please return the survey to: KFNA 3754 Pleasant Ave. S. #101, Mpls, MN 55409, find it online at www.kingfield.org, or call in your comments: 612-823-5980x3

Volunteer for Kingfield!

Invest your unique gifts, talents and abilities in your neighborhood.

Please call or email the Kingfield Neighborhood Association office if you are interested in serving in any of the following committees or activities 612-823-5980 or kfna@email.com. For more information, visit www.kingfield.org to see committee lists and meeting minutes..

Kingfield Committees & Task Forces

Green Committee:

1st Monday, 7:00-9:00pm, King Park

NRP Steering Committee:

3rd Monday, every other month
7:00-9:00pm, King Park

Redevelopment Committee:

4th Wednesday, 7:00-8:30pm, King Park

Crime and Safety Task Force:

3rd Tuesday, 7:00-8:00pm, King Park

Farmers' Market Marketing Task Force:

Spring and summer meetings / market open
June 11- mid-October

Bicycle Task Force:

New in '07. Call office for meeting details.

Newsletter Committee:

Quarterly meetings

King Bridge Partnership:

Call KFNA office for meeting times/locations.

KFNA Activities

Community Art Project Planning:

Meetings as needed; call KFNA office for details.

Kingfield Garage Sale:

May 5: Volunteer to help promote and hand out garage sale packets before the sale.

KFNA/MLK Summer Festival:

JULY (Date TBD): Volunteer the day of festival to help with activities.

National Night Out:

August 7: Volunteer to help with NNO activities.

Business Spotlight

Northrup Roofing and Remodeling

Kingfield residents have watched the corner of 44th and Nicollet undergo major changes in the past, but never more so than during the past year. In July of 2005, the owner of Northrup Roofing and Remodeling, Mark White, bought the property at 4400 Nicollet Avenue South. Since then, he has transformed the plain brick office building on the site into an elegant Arts and Crafts structure, housing an expanding business in its first storefront location. The business was ready for a move; before relocating, White housed his growing roofing business in his basement office on Oakland Avenue.

White's storefront now models the custom roofing and remodeling work that Northrup Roofing and Remodeling provides for its customers. The exterior of the building welcomes customers through an artfully crafted rusted steel fence and onto a slate-roofed porch. Inside, a striking copper ceiling and wide planked hickory floor set off beautiful cherry Arts and Crafts trim and finish. The building allows Northrup to showcase its



Thor Anderson

craftsmanship in custom copper gutters and metal work, cultured stone, and window replacements, as well as providing space for the new remodeling side of the business.

White grew up in Minneapolis and is committed to serving the community he loves with his locally-based business. Stop in and experience the space for yourself or visit www.northruproofing.com to learn more about this Kingfield-based enterprise.

Petersen's Flowers

a favorite neighborhood flower shop destroyed by fire last winter, has opened its parking lot at 38th & Grand and is selling Christmas trees and wreaths. The new shop is currently under construction.

Condo (Ka?)Boom

Minneapolis has historically been a city of single-family homes, balancing the metropolitan nature of our downtown with the Midwestern quaintness and linearity of the surrounding neighborhoods. In the last few years, however, Minneapolis, and the nation as a whole, has seen a surge in the construction of condos and other multi-family buildings, changing the face of our city. Those that saw the boom and bust of the condo market in the early 1980s assumed that the same fate lay just around the corner for the new units, but despite the recent slowdown of the housing and construction markets, the units remain valued on par with the rest of the housing sector. In order not to glut the local market with condos while home buying is on a downward swing, developers have taken to either tabling housing projects or redesigning buildings to capitalize on the nascent demand for commercial space.

Kingfield need look no further than the intersection of 38th and Nicollet for our own local example of this phenomenon. The old Thiesen Vending building on the southwest corner of the intersection, renamed "38" by the Lander Group, developer for the project, was slated to be Kingfield's newest condo building. There was widespread neighborhood support for allowing the closed-up building to rightfully regain its prominence on

one of the neighborhood's marquee intersections, and KFNA partnered with Lander to ensure that the project would capture the goals of the neighborhood, including long-term affordable housing. Unfortunately, before the project could become a reality, the slowing housing market meant that the project was no longer financially viable for either the developer or potential dwellers.

In lieu of letting the building wait unoccupied for the inevitable upswing in the market, "38" was initially redesigned to re-inhabit the existing building with office and retail space. But upon further analysis of market conditions, Lander has decided not to move forward with the project at this time. Lander continues to look for viable alternative development options, but may ultimately place the building on the market for development by others.

Kingfield was not untouched by the condo boom of the last few years; for example, many of our existing multi-family buildings were converted from rental to owner-based. Now that the market appears to be swinging away from that boom, exciting projects like "38" may take longer to get off the ground. Whatever happens at 38th and Nicollet, it's a testament to our neighbors, both those who live here and those who choose to do business here, that the evolution of our urban form continues to be met with optimism and flexibility, always with an eye on what will make the area better for everybody.

-Tom Parent

Calendar of Events	
December 1	Mpls Park & Rec Winter Program Online Registration
December 13	KFNA Board Meeting and Holiday Open House MLK Park, 4055 Nicollet Ave. S. 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.
Late December	"Art to /di/ for" Registration Begins www.kingfield.org or call 612-823-5980
January 4	First King Park Field Trip: Play Works (age 6-12) for '07 field trip schedule / registration call 612-370-4908
January 8	Get Fit: Workout for Adults 55 and better Mondays thru March 26, MLK Park, 4055 Nicollet Ave. S. \$24 donation (sugg) for seniors. Register at: 612-822-3194
Jan. 12 - April 27	Kids Fundamentals Winter Soccer Program MLK Park, 4055 Nicollet Ave. S. to register call 612-370-4908
January 15	Martin Luther King Day Celebration MLK Park, 4055 Nicollet Ave. S. 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.
January 16	Kingfield Block Leader Training MLK Park, 4055 Nicollet Ave. S. RSVP 612-823-5980 x3
February 2	Adults Only Build Party at Leonard's Basement Leonard's Basement, 4301 Nicollet Ave. S. 7 p.m. -
March 15	"Art to /di/ for" Artist Registration Deadline www.kingfield.org or kfna@email.com
March 24	"Art to /di/ for" Reception and Art Auction Aodyne Coffeehouse at 43rd and Nicollet 7 p.m. - 9 p.m. 9 p.m. - 12 a.m.
April 16	KFNA Annual Meeting Community Potluck 5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.
	Meeting & Board Member Elections

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