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Kingfield Community Gardens, Not a Too-Distant Thought!

My fondest childhood memories revolve around my family's garden.

When I was young we lived in a rural Wisconsin trailer house, placed in a large clearing in the woods, and there my mother planted a huge garden with rows and rows of corn and beans and tomatoes. My brother and I had John Deere tractor ride-on toys with a trailer to go behind them, and we would "work" our little farm.

My mother said I was her best garden helper as I poked little holes in the soil and filled them with seeds. I pulled up weeds throughout the season and drove them away in my tractor trailer. After harvest I would help her husk the corn so she could cut it off the cob for canning, and I especially loved to smooch apples through a strainer to make applesauce. After all the work, I would watch in amazement as she took what was in our garden and, with the help of a pressure cooker, make jars and jars of food for us to eat all winter. That garden fed the family, and brought us together during difficult times.

Gardens, especially shared ones, have a way of invoking a feeling of community and building relationships. It's with this idea in mind that the Kingfield Neighborhood Association's Green Committee, along with a dedicated local group of wonderful gardeners, has decided to plant community gardens here in Kingfield.

After meeting with Ila Duntemann of Gardening Matters, an organization

dedicated to promoting community gardens, we set out to find suitable space in the neighborhood. Finding a shortage of empty lots, we began to look into starting smaller micro gardens that could be scattered throughout the neighborhood.

I looked out my window here on Van Nest, and it was apparent to me that I had to volunteer some space. While I currently have a beautiful backyard harvest vegetable garden and a few flowers here and there, I do not water my yard, because it is so big and grass is such a water hog. Fearing my neighbors hate the sparsely covered patch of dirt I call a "lawn," and remembering what a great experience my first garden was, it just seemed the right thing to do.

Jackie Hayes, building owner and administrator of the Center for Performing Arts at 38th and Pleasant, is excited about the garden idea and has offered her side yard as another community garden site. Jackie is energized by the opportunity to work with neighbors to create a space where artists and community members can garden, relax, and interact outdoors.

With these two sites settled on, planning for the 2010 growing season is underway. Workshops with master gardeners are being set up for the winter, so that anyone new to gardening can learn how to tend a plot of land before it is time to plant it. The workshops will continue after the gardens go in, but according to Ila, planning is essential to a successful garden project.

Faced with start-up expenses that include major tree removal and trimming, fencing, and storage, fundraising will be another key to the garden project's success. We were generously gifted a used garden shed from the Minnehaha Avenue Community Garden, and have put out feelers for used fencing and other items, but more help will be needed.

If you are wondering what you can do to help, three great opportunities to participate in fundraisers are available this month: Buy a ticket to join the upcoming Kingfield garden walking tour, or to attend an outdoor screening of the documentary *Fresh*. And when you visit the Farmers' Market this month, pick up a *Blue Sky Guide*—a wonderful coupon book for eco-friendly stores, restaurants, and other businesses. All proceeds will go to the Kingfield community garden fund. (See side bar on this page for details on all three fundraisers.)

More than anything, we need to find more people who are interested in growing their own food and volunteering for a project that will ultimately grow green thumbs, vegetables, strong families, and community.

If you want to become involved, and if you have fundraising ideas or want to contribute muscle, money, or used garden items, please contact Sarah Linnes-Robinson, KFNA Executive Director, at sarah@kingfield.org or 612-823-5980.

—JobyLynn Sassily-James

New Residential Energy Program Coming to Kingfield!

Learn how to reduce your energy use and save money. KFNA has teamed up with the Center for Energy and Environment, CenterPoint Energy, and Xcel Energy to offer Kingfield homeowners Community Energy Services (CES), a full-service residential energy program. As a participant, you can receive information about installing low-cost or no-cost energy savers in your home, and have access to tools and financing if you are ready to make larger investments to reduce home energy use, such as insulating, sealing bypasses, and installing new windows.

Community Energy Services provides:

- FREE educational workshops to teach homeowners how to lower their energy use and save money;
- Low-cost items for immediate savings, which may include low-flow shower heads, setback thermostats, compact fluorescent light bulbs, gasket seals, door sweeps, faucet aerators, pipe insulation, and attic hatch weather stripping;
- Home energy visits from qualified professionals who will identify additional ways for residents to save, including a blower door test. Receive up to \$400 in services and materials for a co-pay of only \$20. And, if you schedule and complete your visit before the end of 2009, the Kingfield Neighborhood Association will reimburse your entire \$20 co-pay;
- Personalized energy use inventory for the last 12 months and feedback the next 12 months, to measure the effectiveness of measures taken. Participants are also allowed to compare their energy use to that of their neighbors also participating in the program (confidentially, of course);
- Financing, incentives, and rebates for those wishing to complete larger projects such as insulation or furnace replacement.

Reserve your spot at the workshop by contacting Beth Bennett at 612-335-5874 or bbennett@mncee.org. Workshops will be held at Martin Luther King Park (4055 Nicollet Avenue South):

- **Thursday, October 1st, 7-9 p.m.**
- **Saturday, October 3rd, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.**

All Kingfield homeowners are welcome! For more information, contact Ashley Robertson at (612)335-5869 or arobertson@mncee.org.

Help us get your entire block to the workshop!

Contact Sarah Linnes-Robinson, KFNA Executive Director at 612-823-5980 or sarah@kingfield.org to see if someone has volunteered from your street to do outreach on this program to your neighbors yet!

Funding for this project was provided by the Minnesota Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund as recommended by the Legislative-Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources (LCCMR).

Three Ways to Support Your Community Gardens

1 1ST ANNUAL KINGFIELD COMMUNITY GARDEN TOUR

Community gardening is coming to Kingfield, and on **Thursday, September 10th**, the Kingfield Neighborhood Association's Green Committee will sponsor the Kingfield Gardens Walking Tour '09. Join us for an evening of garden exploration throughout Kingfield. We will see wonderful examples of vegetable gardens, native plantings, rain gardens, ponds, and even a communal raised-bed, front yard veggie garden! We will also see a garden done by Backyard Harvest and our two future community garden sites. We'll end with a celebration of community and gardening including music and treats at the Center for Performing Arts at 38th and Pleasant.

Those who would like to attend the garden tour can purchase tickets in advance at two locations. At the Color Wheel Salon and Gallery, 319 West 46th Street, or at the Kingfield Farmers' Market information table on Sunday mornings. Tickets are \$5.00, and all proceeds will directly support Kingfield Community Gardens, 2010.

The tour is scheduled for **5:30-7:30 p.m.** and will begin at **4217 Garfield Ave.** We will all walk together from there. Gardeners will be on hand to introduce their gardens and answer questions from those touring. Hope to see you on Thursday, September 10th, rain or shine!

For additional information or questions contact KFNA: info@kingfield.org, www.kingfield.org or 612-823-5980.

2 FRESH MOVIE SCREENING

On **September 25th**, come to an outdoor screening of the documentary *Fresh* at the Van Nest community garden site (north lot of **3912 Van Nest**) **at dusk**. Bring a blanket or chairs to sit on, snacks for yourself or to share, and your friends and family to view this great film about the quality of food we eat and sustainable agriculture. The film features people such as a professional basketball player turned urban farmer, Will Allen, who took a three-acre plot in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and started a gardening movement in the middle of the concrete city; and Virginia farmer Joel Salatin, who allows a pig to express its "pigness" while living comfortably in the woods before it ends up in a Chipotle burrito.

Admission is \$5.00, and all proceeds will be used for the installation of the two new Kingfield gardens.

3 BLUE SKY GUIDE GOES ON SALE IN SEPTEMBER

We're launching our *Blue Sky Guide* fundraiser in September to raise money for the 2010 Kingfield Community Gardens!

Blue Sky Guide, also dubbed "The Best of What's Green and Local," is a one-of-a-kind resource – a coupon book, a directory, a source of ideas and inspiration. The Guide has over 300 coupons and resources for exploring our community and supporting local, sustainable businesses. Find hundreds of dollars in everyday savings with offers for Anodyne, HOURCAR, and Butter Bakery Café, as well as the Guthrie Theater, REI, Bachman's, and many, many more! To see a complete list, please visit www.ecometro.com.

The books are sold for \$20, and KFNA earns \$10 per book! Every penny of KFNA's profits will go toward start-up costs for the Kingfield Community Gardens.

To make your purchase, please visit the KFNA table at the **Kingfield Farmers' Market**, 4310 Nicollet Ave., **any Sunday in September!** Thanks for your work in greening Kingfield!

—Marnie Peichel and Tracine Asberry



From the KFNA President

I am excited about Kingfield. That may sound corny coming from the president of the neighborhood association, but it is true. I have been on the board a relatively short time, but in the last couple of years, I have seen the neighborhood come together in a variety of ways.

Walldogs on Nicollet was an extraordinarily ambitious and successful project, driven by the partnership of the Kingfield and Lyndale neighborhood associations and supported by countless volunteers from those neighborhoods. The Kingfield art show seems to be getting bigger and better each year, thanks to the generosity and commitment of numerous Kingfield residents, including our local artist community. And the newly-independent Kingfield Farmers' Market appears to be having a banner summer,

due in large part to the hard work of the individuals who have taken the helm and volunteered their time and efforts to help the market thrive.

All of these events have helped build connections in our community, and they are perfect examples of what a neighborhood can achieve with dedicated and engaged residents. This year, new traditions are being created, including the new Family-Art programming initiatives through Leonardo's Basement, the 1st Annual Kingfield Community Garden Tour, and Celebrate 38!

The neighborhood still faces its challenges, as all neighborhoods do, and we continue to struggle against crime and with attempting to negotiate the changes in public school options. In my view, the role of the Kingfield Neighborhood Association is to harness and leverage the energy and ideas of the neighborhood, and bring people together to

take on our challenges and celebrate our achievements. The way that KFNA does this, however, may be changing in the coming years.

We are coming to the end of the last cycle of Neighborhood Revitalization Project, or NRP, funds, and we usher in the City's new Neighborhood Community Engagement Program. We have little idea what this will mean for the future of KFNA as an organization. We do know that for KFNA to continue to lead projects for the neighborhood, it will be necessary to rely ever more heavily on the energy and creativity of volunteers. It will be a challenge for both the board and the neighborhood as we try to adapt to the upcoming changes, but given the community spirit I have seen in just a few years on the board, I remain excited about Kingfield and the future of the neighborhood association.

—Chris Sur, KFNA President

Green Tip from a Kingfield Neighborhood Block Club

One of our neighbors, Hannah, came up with a great recycling idea. She discovered that Eastside Food Co-op at 2551 Central Avenue NE collects additional plastic the city does not collect (#1, 2, 4, 5 & 6; no bottles). Hannah volunteered to be a drop-off site for the block. Another neighbor will collect for the west side of the block, and we have several volunteers to deliver the plastic to the co-op. It's such a great project, especially since we have an island of plastic larger than the size of Texas floating off the coast of California!

TIP: Besides Eastside Co-op, Whole Foods is also accepting #5 plastics for recycling at this time. Organize a drop-off porch and delivery person for your block, or take turns collecting and delivering each month! Visit www.kingfield.org for other Green Tips; just search "Green Tip" with the website's search tool.

—Anne Birch, Block Club Coordinator

CHANGING SCHOOL OPTIONS TIMELINE

Many Kingfield neighbors have been following the Minneapolis School Board's discussions throughout 2009 regarding school closings, curriculum focuses, and attendance boundaries, now commonly called the Changing School Options plan. As of this printing, the expected schedule for a decision from the board is as follows:

COMMUNITY HEARINGS: September
BOARD VOTE: Late September

For more timely information, visit the Minneapolis Public Schools' website at www.mpls.k12.mn.us.

Kingfielders Enjoy a Nicollet Pothole on NNO

... one of the worst roads in Minneapolis and one of the best ice creams!

Kingfield neighbors got to enjoy a Nicollet Pothole on National Night Out — the 2009 specialty flavor created and mixed especially for KFNA by our favorite local confectionary, Sebastian Joe's! Joe's created a dark chocolate ice cream with a dash of salt (sea, not road!), a covering of caramel, holes of fudge, and a heavy gravel of toffee chunks. It is SO GOOD, Nicollet Pothole is now available at all Sebastian Joe's stores and at Anodyne!

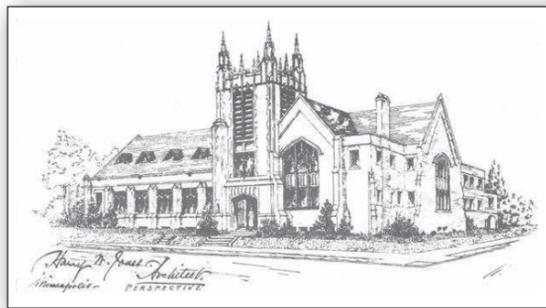
**Joe's are masters at creating a smooth flavor...
too bad they aren't the ones responsible for creating a smooth roadway!**

Celebrating 100 Years in Kingfield

At least three churches are celebrating a century in Kingfield this year: Judson Memorial Baptist Church, Faith Free Lutheran Church, and Incarnation Catholic Church. Centennials are great opportunities to look into the histories of these institutions and the neighborhood they helped to shape. Though it had been part of Minneapolis since 1887, Kingfield was still mostly farm fields 100 years ago.

Faith Free Lutheran will hold a special centennial worship service on Sunday, October 25th, at 10:30 a.m., followed by a dinner. All are invited. Those with personal ties to the church over the years are encouraged to send remembrances to be included in a memory book of the occasion. Send to: 140 West 44th Street, Minneapolis, MN 55409 or gregoryplenz@msn.com.

Judson began in 1906 as a mission of Calvary Baptist, "on the urban frontier beyond the residential districts of the city." Then the Judson Memorial Chapel was constructed in 1907 at 38th and Harriet, and Judson became an independent church in 1909. In 1914, after consolidating with the oldest Baptist church in Minneapolis, Judson Memorial Baptist Church built its new home at 41st and Harriet, at what had been the center of a 40-acre farm owned by Hiram and John Van Nest.



Incarnation (38th and Pleasant) is also compiling a centennial booklet of photos and stories. You can add your own stories, read what others have written, see historical photos, and access a detailed church history on their centennial website: www.incarnation-centennial.org.

Incarnation will be celebrating this fall, beginning with Oktoberfest on Saturday October 3. The day will include historical displays and church tours, a carnival lot with games and rides, a beer garden with live entertainment, a chicken dinner (immediate neighbors will receive free tickets) and more. The church will also hold a centennial worship service celebrated by the Archbishop on October 18th at 10:30 a.m.

"The Miracle on 41st Street," a detailed account of the first 75 years of Judson's history, including historic photos, is linked to the church website — click on "about us" at www.judsonchurch.org.

Two special events mark the Judson centennial celebration. On All Saints' Sunday, November 1, the 10:00 a.m. worship service will feature the premiere of "Requiem," a choral work by church member Doug Weatherhead, performed by the Judson Choir. Then on Sunday, November 15, at 10:00 a.m., a special worship service with communion will celebrate Judson's entry into its next 100 years. The service will feature the music of the Judson Choir and Brass, and former pastor Dale Edmondson will preach.

LOCAL HISTORY BUFFS

If you are interested in helping to highlight more of Kingfield's history, we want to hear from you! Please contact KFNA at info@kingfield.org or 612-823-5980.

If you want to learn more about local history research, check out this presentation at the Central Library:

Researching the History of a House, Building, Neighborhood, or Piece of Land in Minneapolis
Central Library, 300 Nicollet Mall
Tuesday, Sept. 8th, 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Have you ever wanted to learn more about the history of your house, neighborhood, or a piece of property you own within Minneapolis city limits? This presentation will explain tools and resources that are available at the library and throughout the city that can help you compile this information. For more information, please call 612-630-6350 or email specialcoll@hclib.org.

Faith Free Lutheran, on 44th and Pillsbury, began in a chapel at 41st and Pillsbury in 1909, as a mission outreach of the Lutheran Free Church. The congregation was named Rosedale Lutheran Church, after the neighborhood as it was known then. A basement church at the present location was dedicated in 1918, and the superstructure of the current facility was added in the early 1920s. At first the membership was primarily Norwegian, but as the neighborhood changed, the congregation gradually became more diverse. Rosedale merged with another church named Faith Free Lutheran Church, and the combined congregation took that name.



About the Kingfield Neighborhood Association (KFNA)

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

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KFNA's New Program Helps Neighbors Fight Graffiti

An affordable new approach to combat the graffiti epidemic is being tested in Kingfield. Through a Clean City micro grant from the city of Minneapolis, KFNA is testing a two-part strategy to re-face areas that are particularly prone to tagging: by creating alley-length mural installations, and wrapping utility boxes.

The alleys targeted for the mural project lie between 36th and 40th Streets, and between Stevens and Blaisdell Avenues, because of this area's very high number of tagging incidents. For participating blocks, KFNA is providing the talent and direction of local artists, as well as painting supplies. Within the next few weeks you can expect to see alley murals popping up, stretching across multiple garages and fences. If you like what you see, talk to your neighbors about bringing the mural program to your block.

Even if your block is not interested in murals, you can still participate in the clean-up program. Homeowners may receive one gallon of latex color paint to fully paint the alley-facing sides of their garage or fence. This avoids spot-painting tactics of covering up a tag, which can be unsightly, obvious, and generally ineffective. Plantings along the alley are also encouraged, and KFNA offers a reimbursement of up to \$100 per property for the purchase of plants, mulch, and trellises. Please contact KFNA beforehand, to make sure that your home qualifies. And it is not a singular strategy; you must work with your neighbors to address multiple problem spots. By working together, homeowners can increase their effectiveness against the problem. Therefore, KFNA will give priority to projects that are proposed for five or more homes.



The second graffiti-fighting technique being tested in Kingfield, "wrapping," is a procedure in which the plain metal surface of a utility box is wrapped in a specially designed vinyl laminate. The material features a design or photo, so that instead of looking like a blank canvas for taggers, a utility box becomes a design feature of the neighborhood.

The corridor of 38th and Nicollet has suffered significantly from tagging. KFNA will target utility boxes in this area first, and you can expect to see a test box installed by mid-August with an image by Kingfield photographer John Barber of Rau + Barber. Upon inspection and approval by the agencies that own the boxes, a call for photographs from other local artists will be distributed.

Clean City, a program of the city's Solid Waste and Recycling division, has awarded these graffiti prevention micro grants to Minneapolis communities as part of the city's five-year plan, "A Safe Place to Call Home." This first phase of the overall project is called "Guns Gangs and Graffiti Gone." Graffiti is more than a nuisance; it is a dangerous flag for gang activity and other crime. To learn more about the program and how you can participate, check out www.kingfield.org.

Remember: It is necessary to contact KFNA before undertaking your project, to ensure that program guidelines are met and utility companies are contacted. Reimbursements cannot be made without pre-approval. Happy painting!

— Amanda Vetsch

Cop Bike Tires Filled

You did it! Thanks for "filling the tires" of the bike for cops!

The KFNA Crime Prevention and Safety Committee, supported by the Green Committee, started raising money this spring to pay for a bike to be used by Fifth Precinct patrol officers. Committee members wanted to get officers out of their cars and riding bikes in our streets and alleys.

If you stopped by the KFNA Farmers' Market table in early June, you may have seen the "tires" on the bike poster gradually filling up. We were halfway to the \$800 goal when a generous Kingfield neighbor came to the Market table and, after asking some questions, quietly wrote a check to complete the amount.

WOW! Thanks to all who contributed to the effort.

OFF-LEASH AREA FOR KINGFIELD DOGS

A group of Kingfield residents is preparing NOW to bring a proposal to the Minneapolis Park Board for an off-leash dog area in MLK Park. If you have an interest in seeing this happen, they need your support! Both organizing and fundraising are necessary in this effort. If you are interested in being part of the planning, willing to voice your support when needed, or able to help with raising the money needed to create an off-leash area, contact KFNA at 612-823-5980 or info@kingfield.org.

The Kingfield coordinated, neighborhood-wide yard sale is coming!

This year it will be held on Saturday, September 12th, one week after Labor Day. It's a great opportunity to turn stuff you don't need into cash — or a little bit of cash into needed stuff!

In past years, 65 to 90 families have been part of this neighborhood-wide sale. Eighth Ward City Council Member Elizabeth Glidden, a Kingfield resident, is looking forward to it. "This is a great example of Kingfield's dedication to sustainability and reuse," she said. "And I'll be out there shopping for used baby clothes and toys."

If you want to participate, you must **REGISTER BY SEPTEMBER 8TH AT NOON!**

The coordinated sale will be advertised in the Star Tribune and on Craig's List, announced in other local papers, and promoted through multiple other outlets by KFNA. All registered sales will be listed on the map that will be available at locations throughout the neighborhood. You can register by mail, online at www.kingfield.org/garage-sale/garage-sale-registration, or in person at the KFNA table at the Kingfield Farmers' Market.

Registration forms are also available outside the Kingfield office at room #101 in the Center for Performing Arts, 3754 Pleasant; forms and payments can be slid under the office door if staff is not present.

Our Youth/ Our Future



Over 50 people participated in a new family-art initiative by Kingfield Neighborhood Association and Leonardo's Basement called "Our Youth/ Our Future" on a Sunday afternoon in August.

The public art project focused on youth portraiture, celebrating the diversity of culture, appearance, learning and ideas in our community. The art-filled afternoon allowed families to explore faces of our community and learn various methods of creating portraits including digital photography, Photoshop, free-hand self-portrait painting, and screen printing.

Look around the community to see the one-of-a-kind yard signs, which display the faces of our youth and our future.



If you would like to have a yard sign to place in your yard, contact Sarah Linnes-Robinson, KFNA Executive Director at 612-823-5980 or sarah@kingfield.org. Or pick one up, while available, at the KFNA table at the Kingfield Farmers' Market.

To learn more about Leonardo's future family-art sessions, visit www.leonardosbasement.org. This project was supported by:

- Color Wheel Gallery
- Kingfield Neighborhood Association
- Leonardo's Basement
- Minneapolis Institute of Arts: Art in the Parks
- Martin Luther King Park
- Solomon's Porch

CELEBRATE 38TH! Connecting South Minneapolis for More Than a Century

In 1883, 38th Street became the southern boundary of most of the city of Minneapolis. Just four years later, the border was moved south to 54th Street. Running from the Lakewood Cemetery to the Mississippi River, 38th Street became the main crosstown connection south of Lake Street.

On Saturday, September 19th, visit 38th Street to celebrate a vibrant corridor that has connected South Minneapolis for more than a century! It will be a festive day full of music, dance, food, fun, and history, history, history!!

Join us for a fabulous day of celebrating our connections:

- Family hat making and parade preparation, starting at 9 a.m. on Pleasant
- Parade with HOURCAR from Pleasant to Nicollet and back, starting at 10 a.m.
- Live music and dance performances at CFPA on Pleasant, starting at 11 a.m.
- Live "garage band" music at Quality Coaches (between Nicollet and Blaisdell), 12 to 6 p.m.
- Self-guided history tours (walk or drive) at Lakewood Cemetery: See more details in sidebar.
- History highlights up and down 38th Street
- Celebrations at 38th and Grand, 38th and Chicago, 38th and Pleasant, and other nodes
- Open houses, food, art, special shopping opportunities, family fun, and much MORE!!

Check the website at www.kingfield.org to see the events and activities for various nodes and businesses all along the corridor, which are being planned and added to the list daily! See you at Celebrate 38th!

THE FINAL STOP ON 38TH Tours of Minneapolis History at Lakewood Cemetery

Explore Minneapolis history on a self-guided tour of Lakewood Cemetery in its beautiful park-like landscape.

You'll see and learn about:

The founding families of Lakewood, many who were influential in the development of Minneapolis:

- Land developer Thomas Lowry; William D. Washburn, who launched the city's lumber and milling industries; and Charles Loring, "Father of the Minneapolis Parks"
- Monuments that honor historic Minneapolis events, such as the Washburn "A" Mill explosion
- Burial places of popular local leaders and politicians, like Hubert H. Humphrey, Paul Wellstone, and Rudy Perpich
- Monuments and sections that honor Minneapolis groups including the Paternal Order of the Elks, the Minneapolis Fire Department, the Chinese Community Memorial, and Showmen's Rest
- Unique and one-of-a-kind monuments and sculpture

Pick up a tour brochure from noon to 2 p.m. at a table outside the Administration Building (first building inside the front gates at 36th & Hennepin). The tour takes an hour or so to walk. (You may also choose to drive.) You can take a tour anytime after you pick up the brochure. Lakewood is open daily until 8 p.m.

Also available — Self-guided tours of Lakewood's historic Memorial Chapel, a one-of-a-kind Minneapolis treasure on the National Register of Historic Places (the Chapel will be open unless it's needed for a funeral), and a self-guided tour of memorial symbolism (the meanings behind common symbols found on monuments in the cemetery).



Kingfield HOURCAR Now Residing at 3800 Nicollet!

Thanks to the efforts of KFNA's Green Committee, Michael Lander, HOURCAR, and a Climate Change Innovation grant received from the City of Minneapolis, a new HOURCAR car-sharing hub has opened on the corner of 38th and Nicollet. Neighbors are now able to set up an account, make reservations by phone or online, and borrow a car for an hour or two to run errands or attend events or meetings.

"Kingfield is a great neighborhood for an HOURCAR hub," according to HOURCAR Program Manager Christopher Bineham. "We know that Kingfield residents like to bike, walk, and use transit. Now that HOURCAR is in the neighborhood, they can even get rid of their cars, without losing convenience or mobility."

"Kingfield residents have demonstrated that they care about the environment and are willing to act to protect it," says KFNA Executive Director Sarah Linnes-Robinson. "HOURCAR is a great addition to the community fabric of Kingfield — having access to HOURCAR is like having a sister or brother live in your neighborhood who will let you bum their vehicle when you need one."

Visit the HOURCAR website at www.HOURCAR.org to learn more about their service and program. Come see it in action on September 19th at the Celebrate 38! Parade (see details on page 3), where you also can sign up for special promotional offers from HOURCAR.

Questions? Contact Sarah Linnes-Robinson, KFNA Executive Director, sarah@kingfield.org or 612-823-5980.

NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR: How does road construction affect you?



"Business has been kind of down lately — I'm not sure how much of that is due to the recession or because of the construction. The loyal customers still come, and with others you just kind of wonder what has happened. They have had to cut down on employees' hours."

IVAN CHANGE

Employee of Colonial Cleaners • 37th St. & Lyndale Ave.



"I've owned El Meson for six years and have felt the difference. I've noticed that weekend nights and the lunch business have been affected by the road construction. People seem to be avoiding the area. We're hanging in there, but it hasn't been busy."

ERIN UNGERMAN

Owner of El Meson • 34th St. & Lyndale Ave.

"The construction hasn't really affected me because I always park on an off-street behind my place. When I moved in, my roommate warned me that my car had a higher potential of being thwacked [on Lyndale] by crazy drivers. Drivers didn't always realize that people could park on the side, and some cars didn't move over quick enough and would rear-end someone or take their side view mirror off. Lately the construction has woken me up in the morning, but that's a good thing, because it means I'm almost late for work!"

JULIE MACKAY • Apartment resident • 36th St. & Lyndale Ave



Eating for Art

At Great Local Restaurants
Near Your Home!

Hungry for a Better-Looking, More Connected Neighborhood? You can do something about it!

Now in its third year, Eating for Art brings local restaurants together to raise money for arts programming in the Kingfield and Lyndale neighborhoods.

For the first two years, Eating for Art supported the award-winning Walldogs on Nicollet project (recipient of the Celebrating the City through Public Art award from the Minneapolis Arts Commission). This year, the money raised will be split between two community arts projects: One, a new Family Arts series at Leonardo's Basement, supported by KFNA, to connect families across our neighborhood and encourage exploration and experimentation in the arts; and two, the Hosmer World Music and Dance program, a joint project of the Lyndale Neighborhood Association and Hosmer Library that brings free live music and dance programming to Hosmer Library and Painter Park.

To have arts events such as these happen regularly, we need your support! Gather your friends on **September 17th**, and go Eating for Art. Enjoy morning coffee at **Anodyne**, then stroll to **Butter** for a mid-morning treat. Have lunch on the patio at **Victor's 1959 Café**, and take the whole family to dinner at **El Paraiso**. Or drop into **Champion's** for a late night beer on the patio.

These are just a few of the neighborhood restaurants participating in Eating for Art this year — for a complete listing, please check the KFNA website at www.kingfield.org. If you have questions concerning Eating for Art, contact Sarah Linnes-Robinson at KFNA, info@kingfield.org or 612-823-5980.

Remember, the more you eat, the better your neighborhood will look!

The KFNA Board meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month, MLK Park, 7 PM. The beginning of each meeting is a Community Forum, a chance for any neighbor or business to bring their question or concern before the board. Please attend! Additionally, the following committees adhere to the outlined schedule and meet at 7 PM, MLK Park: Community Garden Group: 2nd Monday • Crime Prevention and Safety: 3rd Tuesday Greens: 3rd Thursday, MLK Park • Redevelopment: 4th Wednesday

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| Sept. 10 | 5:30 to 7:30 PM | 1st Annual Kingfield Community Garden Tour (See article on cover) Meet at 4217 Garfield — Final celebration at 3754 Pleasant at 7:30 PM |
| Sept. 12 | 9 AM to 3 PM | Kingfield Neighborhood-wide Garage Sales Located at various Kingfield homes — pick up maps at local coffee shops. |
| Sept. 17 | Various Times | EATING FOR ART! See article on page 4 and visit www.kingfield.org for an updated event list. Great local restaurants in your neighborhood! |
| Sept. 19 | Various Times | CELEBRATE 38! (See article on page 3) and check www.kingfield.org for and updated activities and events list! Located at various nodes along 38th Street all day! |
| Sept. 22 | Sept. 22 | Board of Education vote to approve the Changing School Options Recommendation. Visit www.kingfield.org for current information. |
| Sept. 25 | Dusk | Outdoor Movie Showing of <i>Fresh</i> . (See article on cover.) Kingfield's Future Community Garden Site #1, 3912 VanNest Ave |
| Sept. 26 | 9 AM to 1 PM | Hazardous Waste Drop-Off. Visit www.kingfield.org for more info. 3800 Bryant Ave South — enter off of King's Highway |
| Oct. 1 | 7 to 9 PM | Home Energy Workshop and Free Energy Audit Sign-up Martin Luther King Park, 4055 Nicollet Ave. |
| Oct. 3 | 10 AM to 12 PM | Home Energy Workshop and Free Energy Audit Sign-up Martin Luther King Park, 4055 Nicollet Ave. |

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