August ‘10 NNO News Update

Kingfield Dogpark Meeting: 9/2, 6:30 PM

There will be a second meeting hosted by the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board regarding the proposed Kingfield Dogpark on Thursday September 2, 6:30 PM, at MLK Park, 4055 Nicollet.

KFNA, your neighborhood association has supported the creation of an off-leash area because it would:
- Increase community interaction.
- Bring new users to the park.
- Serve a diverse population.
- Improve safety in the neighborhood and park.

Encourage enjoyment of green spaces in the city.
- Generate revenue for the Park Board by increasing the purchase of off-leash permits.

If you want to learn more about the proposal visit www.kingfield.org/dog-park/. You can also Friend Kingfield Dogpark on Facebook.

Show your support for a Kingfield Off-Leash Dog Park!
Buy a Kingfield Dogpark t-shirt or doggie drink bottle at the Kingfield Farmers’ Market any Sunday from the KFNA table. The $20 cost goes directly to the dog park project!

Neighbors are needed at this meeting to advocate for this community-building, safety-creating strategy!

Who Gets a Kingfield Sweet Deal?
Registered Kingfield NNO Block Parties Do!

Kingfield has had 317 neighbors attend the workshops led by Center for Energy and Environment (CEE) and 315 of these households have followed up and had a home energy assessment performed, which KFNA picked up the tab for this past year! Talk about another “sweet deal!”

Kingfield’s Sweet Deal will be biked to all registered Kingfield Block Parties on August 3 by your non-profit neighborhood association representatives!

Kingfield’s Sweet Deal is caramel ice cream with toffee, ginger and dark chocolate created by Sebastian Joe’s for the neighbors on the 4100 block of Garfield, their prize for having the most households attend the Home Energy Assessment Workshops this past year.
Celebrating Community Through Public Art

**Kingfield’s 2010 Summer Public Art Project** is a partnership with the Chicago Avenue Fire Arts Center (CAFAC), newly located at the intersection of 38th and Chicago. The art is being created through the CAFAC SPEAK project by students at the VOA Phoenix High School. These youth are creating metal artwork for Nicollet Square, 3700 Nicollet. This project is also supported by Metropolitan Regional Arts Commission, the Plymouth Church Neighborhood Foundation, and Hennepin County. Join us for a community celebration of this artwork and collaboration!

**Artwork Unveiling and Community Celebration**  
**Saturday August 7, 4-6 PM**  
**3749 Chicago Avenue S, Chicago Avenue Fire Arts Center**

**About the Artwork:**
The youth at the Phoenix School spent two weeks working with spoken word artists, exploring the emotions and actions behind the concept “Home is not a place, Home is....” The poetry was passed onto another group of students who interpreted the poetry into images. Both the images and words are built into the finished artwork including the phrase above the front door inviting residents inside because “home is a place to recharge yourself.”

The lifecycle imagery of the phoenix comes from both the poetry, “home is where the bad feelings that lay beneath come to the light,” as well as from the name of the school. The phoenix is a mythical bird whose story weaves through many cultures. Besides being known as a phoenix, which comes from the Arabic culture, in China it is known as Feng-Huang, in Japan the Ho-oo, in Egypt the Benu, and by Native Americans as the Yel. The bird embodies both the male and female, the ying and the yang, and lives for up to 1000 years. It is a symbol of wisdom and its tears can heal all wounds and even restore life. When it is time for the phoenix to die it explodes into flames. An egg arises out of the ashes and the phoenix is reborn, carrying all its wisdom forward into its new life.

Like the phoenix, students at the Phoenix School are gathering wisdom and recreating their futures by pursuing their education. Like the residents living in Nicollet Square, many have experienced homelessness and are proud to help build a welcoming home for its residents to recharge themselves, and restore and renew their lives, much like the phoenix.

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**This Thursday! 2nd Annual**  
**Kingfield Gardens Walking Tour**!

Join Kingfield neighbors for a walking exploration of a variety of beautiful Kingfield gardens on Thursday August 5th, 6:00-8:30 PM, followed by a celebration of community and gardening in our new community garden! The celebration is supported with donations from Victor’s 1959 Café, Butter and Anodyne; come taste the local goodness of Kingfield!

Also meet our Community Guest Garden Artist and Kingfield resident, Moira Bateman, on the tour, and hear about her current installation at the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum. You can also register to win free passes to see the show (and the gardens!) by participating in the Kingfield Garden Tour, courtesy of the Arboretum.

Tickets are $5 each. Meet us at 4416 Pleasant at 6 PM Thursday August 5 and purchase your ticket there! All proceeds will support the Kingfield Community Gardens.

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**Street Art—Art of the People**  
**319 W 46th St. (46th & Grand)**  
**Sunday, August 15 12:00-8:00pm**

Join the ColorWheel & our neighbors as we celebrate art & community with a day of festivities. LIVE ART being created outside all day, a Young Artists Wall, Feathers & Funky jewelry by Ideal Jewels, Zarmonia & From out of the Cracks, Feminist T-shirts, Eco-friendly silk scarf halter tops, paintings by Jonathan Roberts, Taylor Lindgren, Tammy Ortegon, Eileen Espinosa, Gloria Larsen, Matthew Chapman, Eddie Ortegon & more!

Enjoy amazing food, drinks, sweets, music, specials & surprises all on the same corner with our great neighbors- Cafe Ena, Kings Wine Bar (one year anniversary) & the new Patisserie 46. [www.ColorWheelGallery.com](http://www.ColorWheelGallery.com)