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### We build Pride on the Southside

### The **'rotten** apples' theory



BY TONY BOUZA

Throughout my involvement in policing—since 1953—I've been periodically reminded that every police department harbors a few rotten apples and, if we can only excise them, the entire barrel can be rescued.

An attractive notion, but flawed.

Those apples are the alpha males that set the tone and create the dominant culture. They are the thumpers. Bemedalled and protected by police unions who've bought legislative and political support.

Study any ugly incident and the thumpers surface—albeit that they've managed to cloak their records of complaints and judgments (paid by you) in secrecy.

Some bad apples,

The thumpers are in charge. The others graze and stand by and look vaguely distracted. The hope that they'll intervene is hopelessly naïve.

The role of police

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## Things are different now, at 38th and Chicago Avenue

BY STEPHANIE FOX

months ago, the corner of now represents. A 15-foot-Chicago Avenue and 38th Street was a small business hub for many who lived in the Powderhorn neighborhood of South Minneapolis. remember not only George But when a member of the Minneapolis Police Department kept his knee on the neck of George Floyd for 8 minutes and 46 seconds, executing him in front of a crowd of people, the corner and much of the world changed forever.

nesses on the corner-Cup and others are there to help, Foods and the local Speedway Gas station, as well as many others, remain boarded up and dark. The corner come in with heat exhauschurch, Worldwide Outreach for Christ, continues to hold services—outside and using unteers to support his city. social distancing. Chicago traffic speeding through the could." nearby neighborhood streets

a shrine to the memory of A little more than two George Floyd and what he tall raised fist rises out of a garden of flowers at the center of the intersection. Here, people leave offerings to Floyd, but the attitude of racial injustice that caused his death. Even on a Sunday morning, people come to see and to pay their respects. Some see it as their sacred duty to maintain the area.

Neighbors come to maintain the shrine. A medical Some of the longtime busitent, where nurse Cary Wong is ready to treat minor to major medical situations. During the heat wave, most tion and other heat-related problems, Wong said. He vol-"I'm a nurse. Minneapolis is

is now slowed by city traffic the area, comes each day to help maintain the memorial.

The intersection remains On this morning, she is helping to take some of the dying flowers to compost. "This memorial is sacred space," she said. "George Floyd was killed here and it is important to tend it." She keeps a photo journal so she will always remember. "This is an historic time. I have the time and I put my camera away to help clean," she said.

"I would like this to again just be a corner, but a man has died unjustly. Once there is justice, we can talk about the space," she said. "There are different layers to justice. There is the systemic racism that put him in this situation. Police culture came out of the slave patrols. We're talking about a culture, not about individual police officers. Our tax dollars are going to fund the police and they get sent on calls they don't know how to Avenue has been closed to my city. It would be weird handle. We need to reimagthrough traffic, and rerouted if I didn't help out where I ine the police so people can live and thrive as a commu-Janille Austin, who lives in nity. It's the community that needs to help keep us safe."

There are still frequent

# Generative chaos

BY ELINA KOLSTAD

I have never appreciated having a garden more than I have this year. In 2020 my garden is a sort of destination in our new socially distant reality, therapy in turbulent times, and supplements groceries from the store, allowing me to stretch out shopping trips a little more. I am still a novice. I'm still learning how to properly space out plants and the differences between cold weather and warm weather crops. My garden is a bit of a mess, just like me. I tend to be pretty sloppy about my weeding. The upshot of this is that I have unwittingly ended up with patches of milkweed and sunflowers in my vegetable patch. The sunflowers by some magical happenstance are growing in the patch that I planted my lettuces in, providing shade and hopefully some cooling. I think I will attempt the combination again in the future. Many people probably look at my garden and think it's a chaotic mess, but I find it beautiful.

There is a kind of beauty that only arises out of chaos. An organic, messy beauty that was not the result of a master plan, one mind, one voice. This is the beauty seen at the site of the George Floyd Memorial at 38th and Chicago. This chaotic beauty is part of what makes the space resonate as sacred, it is a coming together of many voices, many hearts, connected and yearning for a common goal. I am glad that there is discussion of preserving this space somehow, but I am concerned with what the result will be in our city, which is so entrenched in top-down approaches.



Look at the city's response to the protests, organizing, uprising after George Floyd's murder. The city has turned police reform and accountability over to the Minneapolis Foundation, headed by former Mayor R.T. Rybak. Not only did Rybak have the chance to enact police reform as mayor and failed, the idea that one organization or one individual can adequately tackle the issues with policing in Minneapolis is fantasy. Solving the problems with how we police, what and who we police will take many perspectives. Many voices. We have those voices. Established activists like Nekima Levy Arm-

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# Say their names

BY ED FELIEN

Terrance Franklin Jamar Clark Thurman Blevins Travis Jordan

Terrance Franklin:

The city just agreed to pay \$795,000 to the surviving family of Terrance Franklin rather than contest the wrongful death suit against MPD Officer Lucas Peterson. Peterson claimed in his police report ports. that Terrance Franklin had taken control of Officer Durand's MP5 automatic and was firing it, and he wounded Officers Muro and Meath, and, in order to save his fellow officers, Peterson ran into the line of fire Jamar Clark: wearing his bulletproof vest and shot him. There are so many lies and improbabilities in this fairy tale, that the city thought better of trying to defend it in open court.

So, what did happen in that basement on 27th and Bryant on May 10, 2013?

It seems more likely that when Meath pulled Franklin out from the cubbyhole under the stairs and threw him into the room, Durand opened fire, killing Franklin and wounding the two officers.

But, we don't know. There has never been a full public inquiry into the killing of Terrance Franklin.

Shouldn't this be a matter for the City Council Public Safety Committee to investigate?

R. T. Rybak is volunteering continued to struggle and that

the Minneapolis Foundation to help heal police-community relations. He was mayor and in charge of the police in 2013 when Franklin was killed. He could start the healing by reading the 200-page police report and then reading the medical examiner's report, and then he could tell us what he thinks his MPD did to Terrance Franklin and whether his officers observed proper MPD protocol and were truthful in their re-

And then we could begin to have accountability.

And then we could begin to have justice for Terrance Franklin.

He went to a rowdy birthday party Sunday night, Nov. 15, 2015. Two women got into a fight. Somehow Jamar Clark and his girlfriend, RayAnn, got into that fight, and RayAnn ended up with a busted lip and a bruised ankle. Someone called 911. RayAnn told the paramedics that Clark was the one who hit her. The paramedics told the EMS supervisor, and the supervisor told Officers Schwarze and Ringgenberg. Clark had been tapping on the back door of the ambulance to try to talk to RayAnn. He was walking away with his hands at his sides when Ringgenberg came up from behind, put a hammerlock on him and dragged him to the ground. They fought on the ground. Ringgenberg says they

Clark somehow got control of the police and his girlfriend his gun. He then told Schwarze and his baby. [Interesting parto open fire. Schwarze did. He shot Clark and Clark died. Some eyewitnesses said Clark was not resisting arrest, and some said he was in handcuffs. But there is no clear videotape of the incident.

Did Officers Schwarze and Ringgenberg follow protocol in confronting Clark? Did Officer Ringgenberg make sure his weapon was secure at all times? Was there an internal review of the officers' actions? Shouldn't that internal review become public, and shouldn't the Public Safety Committee of the City Council hold a public hearing to receive that review?

The people of Minneapolis deserve closure on the killing of Jamar Clark.

Jamar Clark deserves justice.

Thurman Blevins:

flashing a gun, walking with his girlfriend while she was pushing their baby in a buggy. He sat down on a curb in North Minneapolis on June 23, 2018, and started talking to a dog. A neighbor had heard shots earlier and complained to 911. Officers Schmidt and Kelly pulled up in front of Blevins, jumped out of the car with guns drawn. Schmidt yelled, "Put your hands up. I will f-kin' shoot you." Blevins started running away, trying to get as much

allels in the three cases: Franklin ditches the car so he doesn't endanger his girlfriend and her two small children in a car chase, and Clark walks away from the ambulance to avoid involving his girlfriend in the confrontation with the police.] The officers chase Blevins down a block and into an alley. He's shouting, "I didn't do nothing bro. Please don't shoot. Leave me alone." The officers fire 14 times and hit Blevins four times and kill him.

Did the officers observe protocol? Shouldn't there be a public review of the officers' actions by the Public Safety Committee? Isn't there a better way to de-escalate this kind of confrontation?

There's a group of young Black men in North Minneapolis who call themselves the He was drunk and disorder- Minnesota Freedom Riders. ly, drinking Amsterdam Vodka They protected barber shops straight from the bottle and and small businesses during the riots, and they acted as security for Juneteenth celebrations. Wouldn't it be a lot better for everyone if when the 911 operator gets a call, they called neighborhood people as the first responders? Yes, if guns are involved then you have to call the police, but shouldn't we try to get people from the community to try to talk down the trouble before it gets out of hand?

The City Council says it wants to do away with the distance as possible between police. This is a great oppor-

tunity for them to put their money where their mouth is. Council Members Ellison and Cunningham should find the money to support the Minnesota Freedom Riders as one of many strategies to protect and serve our beloved communities, and the money and consequent supervision should come from the City of Minneapolis Department of Public Health, not from the MPD. Block clubs are an essential part of a community awareness, safety and security. Block club organizers should be paid by the city to talk to their neighbors about food and housing, education and vocational opportunities. They should be nosy aunts and uncles, worrying if the kids are being fed. And these block club organizers, these Welcome Wagon Comforters, would bring all sorts of information about social programs, educational opportunities and jobs. And they must be supervised and paid by the Department of Health, not by the MPD.

Travis Jordan:

On Nov. 9, 2018, at 1:58 p.m., his girlfriend called 911 to report Travis Jordan was depressed and threatening suicide. Officers Keyes and Walsh went to the house, banged on all the doors, and tried to confront him. He came out of the house with a kitchen knife. He was suicidal. He charged the officers and they shot and killed him.

He didn't have to end like that. Travis Jordan didn't have to die, even though he may have thought that was his only alternative that day. When 911 got the call, they should have sent out someone qualified to deal with suicidal depression. If there was a need for armed backup, then that should be immediately available, but the control agent of the situation must be the person trained to deal with depression and mental illness.

Terrance Franklin, Jamar Clark, Thurman Blevins, Travis Jordan: young Black men killed by our Minneapolis Police Department.

Justice demands a full accounting of how they died.

Justice demands those officers be disciplined if their actions violated protocol.

Justice must be blind, but she cannot be deaf.

Say their names:

**Terrance Franklin** Jamar Clark **Thurman Blevins** Travis Jordan



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#### Southside Pride NOKOMIS EDITION



# July new neighbors

BY KAY SCHROVEN

Shopping carts, clotheslines, outdoor cooking grills, matchairs, backpacks, boxes of diapers, baby strollers piled high with supplies, wheelchairs, bikes, tikes on trikes, people in swimsuits lining up to shower in the facility provided by NECHA-MA (the Jewish disaster response organization) and tents of every size, shape and color. Should you stroll through Powderhorn Park, you will see these, along with upward of 300 homeless individuals in about 400 tents inhabiting the park. That's about 100 more than last month. The numbers have been increasing, with no definitive short- or long-term solution in sight.

If there were a soundtrack to the Powderhorn encampment, ideal conditions, there is a sense it would be the Rolling Stone's "Gimme Shelter." Like the rock and roll classic, the growing Powderhorn encampment is raw and needy. Obviously, there is a need for housing, but that is just the beginning. There is also an ongoing need for health care services including mental health, addiction recovery services, skills development, job getting and keeping skills, child care and so on. It's difficult to approach any of these service campers and volunteers, there needs without a foundation to are many meetings and rumors: work from, that is, without shel-

Park and Recreation Board commissioner at-large, is a familiar empty hotel in rural Minnesoface in the park on a daily basis-an ally and resource to the real until it materializes. homeless. Mr. French is very offer the women and their children a camp of their own, where it is quieter and safer, with less would also like to make sure that the guards are paid.

There are many angels in the park; they are volunteers, some associated with the Minneapolis Sanctuary Movement. Junail, Fartun, Michelle and Elisa (to name a few) are coordinators who wear many hats. They spend numerous hours in the park, recently working in sweltering weather conditions, fielding a variety of matters, such

example. Today they are developing an inventory system for food donations. In addition, they train and work with volunteers tresses, blankets, coolers, lawn in the outdoor, tented kitchen, the medic/health care tent, charging station, library and child care center. They de-escalate conflicts, often domestic in nature, and respond to the many individuals who come to them with needs: "Do you have any bungee cords?" "Who can help my daughter, she's sick," "Can you carry this box to my tent for me, I have a dislocated shoulder?" They are peacekeepers with the residential neighbors living near the park and coordinators with the press coming into the park to report, such as Southside Pride. And this is the short list of their involvements.

> In spite of the far less than of community in the park. People help one another; they discuss issues and possible solutions, avoiding hierarchy as much as possible. When one of the homeless individuals who uses a wheelchair could not maneuver the entering and exiting of his tent, neighbors and volunteers worked together to rig up a new tent that made it easier for

According to the resident the group will be dispersed to other parks; the empty Kmart on Londel French, Minneapolis Lake St. will be their next home; they will be transported to an ta. It is difficult to know what is

concerned about safety, and in July 8, there is an open meeting ditionsdevelop, some are growlieu of real housing would like to in the park. A group gathers in a circle. A volunteer takes the floor and circulates a letter received from a law firm. It seems competition for resources. He that the firm is looking to capture funds related to the damages that took place at the local Sheraton Hotel while providing temporary housing in June. The volunteer explains that the Go Fund Me monies collected for the encampment are frozen until the matter can be resolved. She also makes it clear that staving in Powderhorn Park is not sustainable and that the plan is to move some people to other parks. She explains that the large number as coordinating donations, for of people living in the park is

causing too many issues related ment of the weakest members those who are in the twilight of to safety and health. She points out that smaller camps would be safer and more livable. A discussion takes place about where to go from here; frustrations are aired as attendees fan themselves and drink water and Gatorade in the 90+ degree heat.

Jacy (not his real name), a 41-year-old Native American man who has been homeless intermittently for 10 years, is pleased to make a move and says, "I'm taking some of my people with me. I'm not saying where we go, but it is near the river. I like water and there are trails I can walk where I see eagles. They lift my spirit. I am used to sleeping without a tent so having a tent will be nice. "

Ron (not his real name), who has been guarding the camp for a month, especially the children, says he needs a shower and a day off. He reports that recently there is a steady line of "tourist cars." That is, people in cars rolling by the edge of the park and leaning out of their car windows and taking pictures. He continues, "People get very upset knowing they might be photographed in their bathing suit, asleep, maybe nursing a baby." Ron further reports that one "tourist" pointed out to him (when he asked them to refrain from taking photos) "I am a taxpayer and have a right to photograph anything I want in this park."

Many resident neighbors have been supportive since the encampment began a month ago, volunteering and donating Wednesday, the evening of needed items. However, as coning weary, as are the homeless resident campers themselves. In addition to the heat of the summer, there is foot and car traffic, noise, drug dealing, soliciting (of girls and young women for sex), parking issues and, sadly, crimes including vandalism, theft and rape. Unfortunately, there are predators who will take advantage of the vulnerable. For some predators, Powderhorn Park has become a target.

According to quotation sleuth Ralph Keyes: at the Hubert Humphrey Building dedication (11/1/77) in Washington, D.C., former V.P. Hubert Humphrey (1965-69) spoke about the treatof society as a reflection of a life, the elderly; those who are government. As quoted in The in the shadows of life, the sick, Columbian, he said, "The moral the needy and the handicapped." test of government is how that If we believe this, we must government treats those who are in the dawn of life, children;

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#### Doug Mann for School Board, citywide Education is a right, not a privilege!

Primary Election Tuesday, August 11

#### **Low Teacher Turnover Rates in All Schools**

The Minneapolis school district keeps retention rates low for teachers who have yet to complete their three-year, post-hire probationary period. This results in high exposure of some students to newly hired teachers, watered down curriculum, harsh discipline & increased segregation of special Ed students. This cheats students out of an education & teachers out of a career, especially marginalized people of color. Although justified as a way to cut operating costs, it likely has the opposite effect, because it costs more to recruit and train teachers, and more students fall behind academically and are assigned to Special Education programs.

#### Oppose the Neoliberal K-12 School Reform Agenda

Teacher tenure and seniority rights are under assault. Doug Mann unconditionally supports tenure & seniority rights. Reverse the privatization / charter-ization of the public school system. No to a narrow, test prep curriculum. Close the school to prison pipeline. Don't settle for less than a quality public, K-12 education for all on an equal basis!

#### **Government enforcement of Civil Rights in Employment, Housing, Banking, Insurance**

Detect and prosecute covert as well as overt, illegal discrimination, whether intentional or not, in order to end an era of token enforcement & minimum compliance.

#### Demand an End to the Mass Incarceration Regime **Abolish the Convict Labor Leasing System Again**

Freed slaves & their descendants were re-enslaved en masse via the penal system in 1890s and 1990s, There are more adult men enslaved in the US today than in 1860.

\*Remove all loopholes in the Sumners-Ashurst Act (1940) which allow the sale of goods made by convict labor for private use. The Percy Amendment (1979) set the stage for the return of a massive convict labor leasing system.

\*Repeal 1994 criminal justice reforms (U.S. Congress) \*End the war on drugs, including marijuana legalization

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# Local businesses: open, closed, restricted ...?

[Look for the \* on the name of an organization that is a POC-owned or immigrant-owned business or POC-or immigrant-oriented and/or led. If we got anything wrong, please email <a href="mailto:deborama@gmail.com">deborama@gmail.com</a> with your corrections.]

#### Restaurant/Café/Pub

Bagu Sushi & Thai\*. Open with restrictions. Online and phone orders. Delivery by Bite Squad, Uber Eats. Patio. Restricted hours.

**Bill's Chinese Garden.** Open with restrictions. Online and phone orders. Delivery by DoorDash, GrubHub & Seamless, or pickup. Usual hours.

**Birchwood Cafe.** Open with restrictions. Online or phone orders delivered by Toast with curbside pickup. Patio. Usual menu and hours.

**Bull's Horn.** Open with restrictions. Online and phone orders. No delivery. Curbside, counter pickup, patio dining. New hours.

**Dragon Wok\* (38th & Chicago).**Open with restrictions. Delivery by Bite Squad, GrubHub. Hours may fluctuate.

**French Meadow.** Open with restrictions. Phone for reservations. Delivery by Bite Squad, DoorDash, GrubHub, Uber Eats. Patio. Usual bours

Hamburguesas El Gordo\*. Open with restrictions. Online and phone orders. Delivery by Bite Squad, Uber Eats. Usual hours.

**Heather's.** Open with restrictions. Phone for reservations. Delivery by Bite Squad. Usual hours.

**Himalayan\*.** Open with restrictions. Online and phone orders. Delivery by Bite Squad. Patio. Usual hours.

Hot Indian Foods at MGM\*. Closed to public. Online and phone orders. Delivery by Bite Squad, Chow Now, DoorDash. Curbside pickup. Restricted hours.

**Infused Life Plant-based Eatery at MGM.** Closed to public. Phone orders

only. No delivery. Curbside pickup. Restricted hours. New restaurant!

Jakeeno's at MGM. Closed to public. Online and phone orders. Delivery by Bite Squad, DoorDash, GrubHub. Curbside pickup. Restricted hours.

Mama Sheila's\*. Open with restrictions. NEW - patio. Takeout available. Delivery by Uber Eats. Restricted hours.

Manny's Tortas at MGM\*. Closed to public. Online and phone orders. Delivery by Bite Squad & GrubHub. Curbside Pickup. Restricted hours.

**Maria's Café.** Open with restrictions. No online ordering. No delivery. Patio. Usual hours.

Merlins Rest. Open with restrictions. Call for reservations. Delivery by Bite Squad. Patio. Restricted hours except for takeout.

**Mi Casa Tacos y Tamales\*.** Open with restrictions. Phone orders.

Delivery by Uber Eats. Grab and go. Usual hours. Brand new restaurant!!

**Modern Times Cafe.** Temporarily closed.

**Northbound Smokehouse Brewpub.** Open with restrictions. Call for reservations or pickup. Patio. Usual hours.

Parkway Pizza. Open with restrictions. Online and phone orders. Delivery by business or thru Bite Squad. Patio. Usual hours.

**Pizza Luce Seward.** Open with restrictions. Online and phone orders. Delivery by business. Usual hours. Full menu!

Prieto Taqueria Bar\*. Open with restrictions. Online and phone orders. Delivery by business, DoorDash, Uber Eats. Restricted hours. New restaurant!

**Quang\*.** Open with restrictions. Online and phone orders. Delivery by Bite Squad, DoorDash. Usual hours.

**Reverie.** Open with restrictions. Online and phone orders. Patio. Restricted hours. Beer and wine available. Pay-it-forward, \$2.50 per meal to homeless sanctuary.

**Smoke in the Pit\*.** Open with restrictions. Phone orders. Delivery by Bite Squad. No curbside pickup. Pre-order grab and go.

**Soberfish\*.** Open with restrictions. Online and phone orders. Delivery by Bite Squad & DoorDash. Call for curbside pickup. Restricted hours. Pre-order grab and go.

**Standish Café.** Open with restrictions. No delivery. Patio. Restricted hours.

**The Howe.** Open with restrictions. Delivery by Bite Squad & Uber Eats. Patio. Usual hours.

**Tiny Diner.** Open with restrictions. Curbside takeout or patio dining with reservations only. No alcohol for takeout. Delivery by DoorDash, Uber Eats. Restricted hours.

**Trio Plant-based\*.** Open with restrictions. Full menu. Usual hours.

#### Bakery/Coffee/Deli

A Baker's Wife. Open with restrictions. Online and phone orders. No delivery. No curbside pickup. Patio. Restricted hours.

**Butter Bakery.** Open with restrictions. Online order and delivery by Chow Now. No curbside pickup. Patio. Restricted hours.

**C. McGee's.** Open to public. Call for information. Delivery by DoorDash. Usual hours.

**Café Meow.** Open with restrictions. Online and phone orders. Cat lounge experience by reservation. Still fostering cats—visit cats by video.

**Duck Duck Coffee.** Closed to public. New walk-up to-go window open. Online ordering of some merch with delivery by USPS. Restricted hours.

**Five Watt Coffee.** Open with restrictions. Call for information. No delivery. No curbside pickup. Patio.

Restricted hours.

**Key West Bistro.** Open with restrictions. Online and phone orders. Delivery by Bite Squad, Door Dash, GrubHub & Uber Eats. Patio. Usual bours

**Mel-O-Glaze.** Open with restrictions. Call for information about delivery or curbside pickup. Usual hours. Grab and go.

**Riverview Café.** Open with restrictions. No online or phone orders. No delivery, no curbside. Patio. Usual hours

**Sisters' Sludge.** Open with restrictions. No online or phone orders. Grab and go. Patio. Usual hours.

**Sovereign Grounds\*.** Open with restrictions. No online and phone orders. No delivery. No curbside pick-up. Restricted hours. Grab and go.

#### Groceries

**Cub Foods (46<sup>th</sup> and Hiawatha).** Open with restrictions. Delivery available thru Instacart. Restricted hours.

Kowalski's (Chicago Ave & 55th Street). Open to public. No online and phone orders. Order thru Shipt. No curbside pickup. Usual hours.

**Longfellow Market.** Open to public. No online and phone orders. No delivery. No curbside pickup. Restricted hours.

#### Oxendale's Market (Minneapo-

lis). Open with restrictions. No online and phone orders. No delivery. No curbside pickup. Usual hours. 7 to 8 a.m. shopping for at-risk customers.

**Seward Co-op / Friendship.** Open with restrictions. No phone orders. No delivery. Check website for online ordering with curbside pickup. Restricted hours.

Wedge & Linden Hills Co-op. Open with restrictions. No phone orders. Order thru Instacart for delivery. New - curbside pickup available! Usual hours.

#### Specialty/Convenience

**Coastal Seafoods.** Open with restrictions. Online and phone orders. Delivery by Mercato. Usual hours.

**Everett's Foods.** Open to public. No online or phone orders. No delivery or curbside pickup. Restricted hours.

**La Alborada\*.** Open to public. No online and phone orders. No delivery. No curbside pickup. Restricted hours.

Produce Exchange at MGM. Closed to public. Online and phone orders. Delivery by Mercato. Call for curbside pickup. Restricted hours.

**Tare Market.** Open with restrictions. No online and phone orders. No delivery. No curbside pickup. Usual hours. Bring your shopping bag—zero packaging.

#### Delivery Services for Groceries, etc.

Instacart. Aldi, Costco, Cub Foods, CVS, Lakewinds Co-op, Lunds&Byerlys, Petco, Staples, Target, Wedge Co-op **Mercato.** Coastal Seafoods, Eastside Food Co-op, Produce Exchange @ MGM

**Shipt.** CVS, Fresh Thyme, Kowalski's, Office Max, Petco

**Uber.** A Baker's Wife, Lunds&Byerlys Deli, Vegan East

#### **Farmers Markets**

**Kingfield Farmers Market.** Sunday. Open with restrictions. Usual hours.

**Midtown Farmers Market.** Saturday and Tuesday. Open with restrictions. Online ordering available. No delivery. Possible curbside pickup. Usual hours.

Mill City Indoor Saturday. Open with restrictions. Online and phone orders. No delivery. No curbside pickup. Restricted hours.

Minneapolis Farmers Market Summer season. Open to public. No online and phone orders. No delivery. No curbside pickup. Restricted hours.

#### Pharmacy

**CVS (Target - Richfield).** Open to public. Usual hours.

**Present Moment\*.** Closed to public. Online and phone orders. Call for delivery. Curbside pickup. Restricted hours.

Ritual Aromatherapy at MGM-Closed to public. Online and phone orders. No delivery. Curbside pickup. Usual hours. Call to order.

**Walgreens (Nicollet Mall).** Open to public. Usual hours.

Walgreens (Hiawatha & 46th). Mobile pharmacy open in parking lot.

Walgreens (Hub - Richfield). Open to public. Usual hours.

#### Retail

**Dreamhaven Books-** Closed to public. Online and phone orders. Delivery by USPS. Restricted hours. Not buying books.

**Eastlake Craft Brewery at MGM.**Open to public. Online and phone orders. Call about delivery. Curbside pickup. Restricted hours.

**Electric Fetus.** Open with restrictions. Online orders, delivery USPS available. Restricted hours.

**Elevated Beer Wine & Spirits.** Open with restrictions. Call about ordering and delivery. Restricted hours.

**Groovy's.** Open with restrictions. Usual hours.

Habitat for Humanity--ReStore. Open with restrictions. Both donating and shopping. Usual hours. Read safety rules on website.

Irreverent Bookworm. Closed to public. Online and phone orders. Delivery by USPS. Check website for curbside pickup. Restricted hours. BUYING BOOKS now—see website.

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# Southside

#### **NOKOMIS EDITION**

Southside Pride Nokomis Edition is a monthly community newspaper delivered on the Second Monday of the month for free to over 100 locations in and around the Nokomis community. We are proud of the racial and cultural diversity of the Southside, and we oppose racism and other efforts to keep us apart as a community.

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# The Hiawatha Golf Course Master Plan Survey

BY KATHRYN KELLY

The Minneapolis Park and the golf course Recreation Board published the results of their survey for postponed due to COVID and the Hiawatha Golf Course preferred plan. The responses have been compiled to try and financials are suspect quantify the results. This assessment is a best effort con- the lake

14 people want to get rid of

13 people want the project economic problems

11 people say the proposed

10 people like paths around

plan will protect the neighborhood homes from flooding. In particular, concerns were expressed that the new plan will reduce the floodplain storage by filling part of the floodplain to elevate the new golf course. The Park Board earlier stated that they could not do this without providing compensaon the property, as is done price tag was unrealistically Also, under the new plan, the find the money. cross-country ski space will be cut in half, with half of the current golf course converted to water. These winter activities can be accommodated on the 18-hole golf course, which would provide more acreage.

Twenty-five people questioned why this project duplicates amenities that already exist nearby.

cern expressed about the pro- ty of the survey respondents posed financing of the project, and quit wasting money on especially in this time frame of this plan? Instead, maintain COVID and economic distress. the 18-hole golf course while Many people felt this project incorporating many of the deshould be postponed. Other sired amenities and fixes into people thought the \$42 million the current property?

at Theodore Wirth. In fact, low. Also, in the current fisthe allowed permit volumes cal climate, people wondered may need to be increased. where the Park Board would

> Some people liked the path around the lake on the berm, but others were concerned that the berm would not be stable enough to support this path with water on both sides. And, some people want more research into alternative ways of handling the water on the property.

Is it finally time for the Park There was considerable con- Board to bow to the majori-



sidering the vast variety of responses. The top 11 responses er ways to mitigate the water storage is defined in the new were:

157 people want to retain the 18-hole golf course

85 people like or are OK with the new plan

homes will not be protected from flooding

25 people like proposed winter activities

16 people say that the proposal duplicates amenities that are nearby

10 people ask to explore othcoming into the lake

It became very clear that a large majority of the respondents who stated a preference want the Park Board to retain 25 people worry that the the 18-hole golf course (61%). On the other hand, about half activities were well received, as many are accepting of the compromise (33%), and 14 people (6%) wanted to get rid of the golf course.

There was much concern that the Park Board has not

tory storage. No compensatory plan. SaveHiawatha18 has submitted a list of questions and concerns to the DNR regarding this issue and other homeowner concerns.

Improved and new winter including a proposal for snow-making. But, people need to be aware that snow-making will not necessarily reduce the DNR pumping permit volumes, especially if the water 16 people like the snow-mak- adequately proven that the comes from the private well

### **David Wiester** for Minnesota House of Representatives **District 63A**



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#### Bouza, from page 1

unions is to protect the meat eaters. They did it so slickly in the Damond case you're not even aware of it—but you will shell out.

And you're in—in my myopic view—for another treat in the Floyd case. Can the fired officers stay fired? Will they be convicted? Will there be a settlement? How come the mayor and police chief in the Damond case are no longer around? And, while I'm at it, where is Giuliani? The Witness Protection Program? Searching for a vaccine Trump can claim inventing?

The rotten apples theory posits the comfort that—were we to identify and remove these few malefactors—the body would be cleansed and all would be well.

Dream on.

Crises force democracies into painful solutions. The Serpico scandal pressed the NYC Mayor Lindsay to appoint a reformer, Pat Murphy, my hero. He lasted 30 months. He's widely considered a pariah. Let me assure you, he performed miracles of reform and left an agency that coasted on his achievements for a decade.

Were the City Council to reduce the police budget 25 percent and insist on all one-person patrols: 8-hour days, 40-hour week rotating charts-the creation of decoysthe use of stings and some stakeouts; the elimination of horse patrols, press information officers and other boondoggles, it would be a much more smoothly functioning entity. In fact, reducing any P. D.'s budget by 25 percent would deliver miracles of efficiency across the land.

The MPD has about 150 more

cops than in 1985 when there was a lot more crime and violence. It now has four deputy chiefs (three in the '80s) and a heap of waste. No need to defund, just reduce the duplication, featherbedding and

During my tenure, the MPD went through nine years of no promotions and emerged stronger for it. Overtime was cut sharply. Morale was never lower. Yet no one quit.

The responsibility rests squarely on the shoulders of the mayor-but he's not interested.

Inside the MPD, control could be asserted through an internal affairs unit reporting directly to the chief, guided by openness of records and led by an executive who can be demoted by the stroke of a pen.

Don't hold your breath. Cider, anyone?

# Eliminate the police?

BY DAVID TILSEN

In response to the groundswell of action, grief and political pressure, the Minneapolis City Council has finally decided that it must do something about the Minneapolis Police.

The City Council has proposed two things.

First, the council has committed to do a deep community engagement on what public safety should look like in the future. What role should licensed police officers play? What roles can be played by other professionals? What kind of oversight and supervision is needed? Minneapolis' public safety budget is almost \$200 million a year, and that does not include grants, settlements and court awards. If the whole city can be engaged for the next year, from youth to elders, from immigrants to racial and ethnic communities,

achievement.

Second, the council has proposed that the City Charter be changed to eliminate the requirement that the city have a police force and at a specific strength based on the population. The elimination of this requirement does not eliminate the police. It gives the council and the mayor the power to eliminate the police department or to reduce its size, but the change would be permissive, not proscriptive.

And the Charter Amendment would create a new Department of Community Safety and Violence Prevention. This department will have a director and will "have responsibility for public safety services, prioritizing a holistic and public health-oriented approach."

There are no other details in non-English speakers, home- the charter change. The stated owners to renters, and all of the council position is that the details of how many police to have, er more established civil rights

worked out by the deep community engagement process.

There is no agreement in the city on this. There is no agreement on the City Council. There is no agreement among the many organizations that have been working for police accountability, nor among the many civic organizations.

Both the Communities United Against Police Brutality (CUA-PB) and Justice for Jamar Clark, some of the organizations that have been working on this for a long time, argue, "We have no reason to trust the City Council." They say they have been proposing changes and reforms for decades and the council has done very little. Further, this charter change gives the council a blank check and commits them to nothing. The CUAPB and Justice for Jamar Clark say it is not acceptable.

The Urban League and oth-

this could be an exciting historic what else to have, etc., will be organizations and leaders criticize the elimination of the current structure. They believe that Chief Arradondo has not been given a chance to lead, and he should not have the rug pulled out from under him.

The mayor complains that putting this new agency under the oversight of the entire City Council, instead of just the mayor, as the police are now, would weaken oversight and make the process too political.

Others worry that public safety will suffer, and that "holistic," "public-health" and other granola-crunching ideas are just too crazy and all they want is safety-911 answered and criminals apprehended. Do some reforms, but don't overreact, don't fix what ain't broke.

Cam Gordon strongly advocates the charter change, as he says it will give the council the flexibility to respond to the con- tory here. Let's start by talking sensus coming out of the year- and listening to each other.

I venture to say that there are about 200,000 distinct opinions about what is needed.

I believe we should do the process.

It is not assured that the charter change will make it to the ballot by November. The Charter Commission is going to have public hearings before it votes, and the timeline is short. I believe we should pass it. It makes no immediate change, and I am persuaded by Council Member Gordon's statement.

I also agree, we should not blindly trust the City Council. The more of us who get involved in this process, the larger the constituency will be for the change we want, and the more likely it is that the council will respond. If not, we have the ballot box, or the threat of the ballot box, every four years.

We have a chance to make his-



#### The memories and questions of history

The title of the book is provocative: "To End All Wars," and the accolades found on the book's cover from other writers convinced me I should read it. I didn't read it all in one day, but

I thought it might be more or less a philosophical examination of war. However, it was the First World War it covered. I found it to be among the best, most thought-provoking and compelling books I've read in many, many years. It chronicles in detail the operation of the war, British attacks against the Sudanese in Africa and the discovery

To list all the most important events and famous people covered in the book would require many, many pages so I am merely listing a rew or them.

- 1. Women were granted the right
- 2. The author, Adam Hochschild and Rudyard Kipling advocated for military conscription;
- 3. James Keir Hardie, anti-war socialist, editor of union news-
- Emmeline and Sylvia Pankhurst, influential women suffragists;
- 5. King George and Queen Mary of Britain installed as Emperor and Empress of India;
- 6. French and German socialists issued statements of solidarity; 7. Sylvia Pankhurst organized women to protest for voting

# Notes from the desk of peace activist Polly Mann (b. Nov. 19, 1919)

8. More than 50,000 Germans working in Britain.

#### Interesting statistics??

1) The billionaire class has added \$308 billion to its wealth even as a record 26 million people lost their jobs.

- 2) Between March 18 and April 22, the wealthiest Americans' incomes grew 10.5%.
- 3) Three coal companies have received \$28 billion.

AT THE SAME TIME

U.S. companies like Caterpillar, Levi Strauss, Stanley Black & Decker and World Wrestling Entertainment are still rewarding shareholders while thousands of their laid-off workers are filing for unemployment benefits.

As American families are struggling, war profiteers are requesting their own bailout. The National Defense Association, a trade group for the arms industry, asked the Pentagon to speed up contracts and awards for \$160 billion in unobligated funds. Nationally, more than 70 percent of jobless Americans did fits in March.

#### Why were there riots in Minneapolis?

The New Yorker magazine occasionally runs an article that is a barn burner. Years ago, it published a long article by John Hersey about the bombing of Hiroshima that fit the same category. There's no way I could do justice to another New Yorker article. So instead, I'm offering you a smattering from it. It's titled "The Uprising" and has to do with the murder of George Floyd by a Minneapolis police-

The average median income of Black residents in the Twin Cities is less than half that of whites, and though about 75 percent of white families own their homes, only about a quarter of Black families do. The Black community makes up about a fifth of the white. Unemployment is more than twice as high for Black residents. A 2015 investigation by the American Civil Liberties Union found that Black people in Minneapolis were nearly nine times more likely than whites to be arrested for low-level offenses such as trespassing or public consumption of intoxicants.

In 2007, five high-ranking Black officers sued the department, alleging pervasive institutional racism, including death threats signed "KKK" that were sent to every Black officer through the departmental mail system. The city settled the lawsuit out of court. Patterns of bias have been accompanied by a culture of impunity. An analysis by Reuters of officer misconduct not receive unemployment bene- claims of nearly a decade found that 90 percent of claims resulted in no consequence. The only Minneapolis officer in recent history to have been sentenced to jail for killing someone was Mohamed Noor, who shot and killed Justine Damond.

> Residents of the 38th Street and Chicago Avenue neighborhood, who were interviewed, had very negative attitudes about the police, claiming they filed false reports and lied in interviews about their behavior. There was looting of the entire neighborhood. Minnesota Governor Tim Walz attributed much

had driven in from other parts of the city. Leslie Redmond, president of the Minneapolis NAACP, said, "What you're seeing in Minnesota is something that's been a long time coming. I can't tell you how many governors I've sat down with and we've warned them that if you keep murdering Black people, this city will burn." The looting and destruction of buildings continued through the night.

In conclusion, the situation provoked talk of change and improved relationships. The four policemen were charged: one with second degree murder and the other three with aiding and abetting. The Minneapolis School Board and its parks department severed ties with the police. The Minneapolis Department of Human Rights led an investigation and moved to ban its officers from using chokeholds.

#### U.S. supports ongoing war against Yemen

The following information is those that destroy life.

man as three other policemen of the looting to outsiders who from The Progressive magazine of June-July 2020.

The U.N. reports a death toll of 100,000 in Yemen's ongoing war, plus 131,000 dying from hunger, disease and a lack of medical care. At least 85,000 children have died from extreme hunger since the war began in 2015. Also involved were the rebels, the Houthis, who constitute 70 percent of Yemen's population. Of course, the United States is involved. In 2019, it was reported that 11 states and the District of Columbia have each exported more than \$100 million worth of weapons to Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates. On a monthly basis, Saudi Arabia's state-owned shipping company, Bahri, sends cargo ships to U.S. ports to collect bombs, grenades, cartridges and defense-related aircraft.

I am sure Americans would prefer that their tax dollars be spent on causes that benefit people, be they Yemenis, Houthis, or Saudi Arabians, rather than

#### Sanctuary, from page 1

also believe that the City of Minthe State of Minnesota have failed the moral test.

Should our city leaders need inspiration and guidance to further tackle the problem of homelessness, perhaps they should look to some successes. Some cities are reducing and even ending homelessness. Amongst them are Trieste, Italy; Helsinki, Finland; and our own Rockford,

zero for homeless veterans and the second to do so for chronic homelessness (John Henneapolis, Hennepin County and ley, The Guardian). Rather than start from scratch or reinvent the wheel, we can learn from these successful cities. We start by studying and participating in Community Solutions/Built for Zero, an organization and methodology that seems to be working. It requires moral courage, data-driven thinking and a systemwide approach. Of the 85 cities that have implemented Illinois. Rockford is the first Built for Zero, 47 have achieved in the U.S. to reach functional reduction results. There is hope.



# Richfield's 66th Street in COVID-19 and beyond

BY DEBRA KEEFER RAMAGE

South Minneapolis I usual-Lake Nokomis and southward trauma there too, but at least and a Starbucks. there weren't as many fires or where you really need to shop in person, assuming you're masked up and not ill, and have some kind of safe transin Richfield. I did so last week, old people).

I visited a shopping center

center is on Richfield Parkway, one of those that sold to anothjust north of 66th Street, and Compared to the parts of is anchored by a fairly large Target. The other major store ly frequent, the area around is a Home Depot, with a garden center. There are various small into Richfield looks placid and food stops scattered around untouched. I'm sure there is the edges, including a Chipotle

Other shopping spots worth as much looting. If you get to noting include the Hub, at Nicollet and 66th, and Lyndale Station and Market Plaza, small but upscale strip malls on either side of Lyndale Avportation to get there, you can enue. The Hub is one of the brave the Target on 66th Street Twin Cities' most venerable shopping centers. It opened in being in dire need of large late winter, 1954, and was at plastic tubs for my "Swedish the time the largest shopping death-cleaning" project (don't center in the Twin Cities. It Target, there are still grocery panic, it's just decluttering for was anchored by a supermarket called Kleins.

For many years, the Hub's which, according to the map, is grocery anchor was the local Farmers Market is among the called Cedar Point Commons. It grocer we all remember fondwas a little hard to get to due ly, Rainbow Foods. When Rainto road construction, but I got bows started closing down in there eventually. This shopping 2014, the one at the Hub was

er operator but kept the name. It finally closed in 2018, the next to the last one to close, and was not replaced. (The last one, in Maplewood, closed a few weeks later.) The grocery space at the Hub is now empty, giving a slightly abandoned look to the whole complex.

There is a Walgreen's there. Other shops include Marshall's, which is temporarily closed, a clothing store (called Rainbow, oddly enough), a Game Stop, a comics store, and what is currently the largest retailer there, Michael's, a popular hobby and fabric store.

Besides the aforementioned shopping options along 66th Street.

For one thing, the Richfield offerings of the Parks and Recreation that is going on despite COVID-19. The Farmers Market is located in Veterans Park



#### **Double Surrey**

is open Saturdays from 7 a.m. to noon. This year they are offering pre-orders from many merchants to expedite your shopping and make it safer.

Another very healthy grocery

(about which more later) and shopping choice is Lakewinds Natural Food Co-op at 6420 Lyndale Ave. I have shopped there in the past, and it compares very favorably with Minneapolis' food co-ops.

If you like cooking ethnic specialties, 66th Street's got you covered for that too. For African specialties of all varieties, check out Adom Grocery. In fact, I would say only go there if you really know at least one nationality of African cooking, because otherwise the selection may appear a little daunting. They also carry personal care items, serveware, cookware, and fabrics from Africa.

Then there is Mi Ama, a Mexican mercado with very high ratings from customers. Mi Ama has a takeout restaurant attached, called iTaco. That leads into another topic-places to get food and drink. There are loads of chain places on 66th Street such as Panda Express, Subway, Dairy Queen and My Burger, to name a few. But if you want an independent and highly rated local and unique meal or snack, try iTaco.

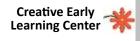
iTaco has a solid 5.0 (out of 5) review rating on Facebook. You don't see that very often. They have other things

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Flavorware IPA



Hot Comics >



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# SUMMER 2

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besides tacos, including tortas, which are a delightful rarity in the Minnesota Mexican fast food world. Their tortas got a favorable mention in the Growler, a local artisan brewers magazine that also reviews great local

places, Taqueria la Hacienda, and El Tejeban, which is in a little strip mall next to the Hub—or maybe it's part of the Hub? Suburban geography confuses me.

Another place that looks interesting is called Local Roots.

I haven't tried them. These in- They have a patio and indoor clude another couple of Mexican dining as well. Although their many useful amenities, inwebsite hasn't quite caught up cluding at least three parks. with the change, they recently reintroduced dinner servings to the breakfast and lunch that got them through the takeout-only period and the first month of re-opening. Reservations are recommended so you don't have to wait outside for physical distancing.

> I just have one slightly quirky retail establishment to cover. A newly opened shop-cum-rescue center called Egyptian Parrot recently opened. It's next door to the Adom Grocery. They do have a great flock of birds-not only parrots but also pigeons, budgies, lovebirds, etc. Also, they have exotic reptiles and many types of unusual (but legal) pets, including fish and other aquarium dwellers. They sell supplies and homes for these animals, and ensure that you know what you're doing before they let you rimeter. In addition, Taft Park buy a pet.

Richfield's 66th Street has COVID-19, of course, has impacted Richfield's Parks and Recreation as it has everywhere. Sadly, the very popular Richfield Outdoor Pool, located near Veterans Park, will not open at all for 2020, and some of the popular yearly events have been canceled. But let's focus on what is open.

The three largest Richfield parks are all along (or near) 66th Street: Taft Park, Veterans Park, and Wood Lake Nature Center. Each one has a lake-Taft Lake, Legion Lake and Wood Lake, although Legion Lake is not really a lake. It's classified as a swamp by the county surveyor.

Taft Park is the smallest of the three. Its lake takes up nearly half of its 42 acres, and has a fishing pier and a walking trail all the way around the pehas a football field, a softball



#### **Egyptian Parrot petshop**

field and two basketball courts. It also has a playground, but those are closed throughout the Richfield park system. And it has a picnic shelter. These are open but with extra rules, so contact



Hub Center 1954 (Photo



#### **Local Roots**

food.

said to be good, but to be honest, supporting the local economy.

This family-owned restaurant A number of other eateries selling simple American food is along the 66th Street strip are environmentally conscious and

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# STREE



what Veterans Park has that is rent the very interesting Surrey, Deuce Coupe or Tandem Bike to pedal around the park, or a Double Surrey to carry up to four riders. So, who needs a lake?

Richfield's Park and Recreation has closed all swimming, some in-person classes and events, and a few other things that were deemed too risky. But one of their events, a marathon, is being conducted virtually. Senior and adult exercise classat www.richfieldmn.gov/home/ showdocument?id=20723 see what's on and what's off for summer 2020. One of the things that is open is the Skatepark. This is located in Augsburg Park, which is about a mile southwest of Veterans Park. Also still onpickleball!!

Saving the best for last, Wood unique to it is the Malt Shop and Lake Nature Center is Richfield's Mini-golf. There is a Wheel Fun largest park, at 160 acres with Rental in the park where you can three miles of walking paths. And it contains Richfield's largest lake, Wood Lake. It also contains at least three separate natural or partly restored environments-native woodland, marshland and restored prairie. Summer camps, canceled earlier in the summer, are being cautiously reintroduced. There are also loads of virtual programs on science and nature of interest to families with children especially. Families can check out a Naes are being offered online as ture Exploration Backpack, conwell. Check out this document taining materials for exploring forest, birds or insects. Check out https://www.richfieldmn. gov/around-town/wood-lakenature-center to get more information. And you can print out a birdwatching brochure to take with you on your walk around Wood Lake.



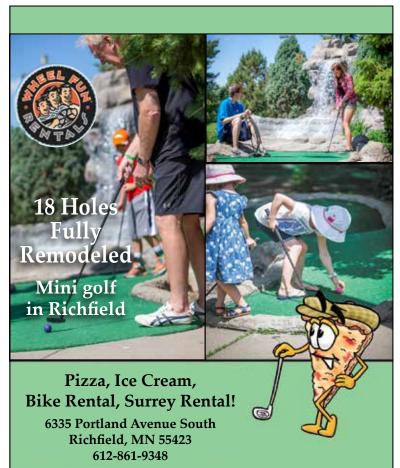
Wood Lake's Nature Exploration Backpack

interested in renting one.

Veterans Park is the second largest in the city, but it has the least interesting lake, which is, as I mentioned before, really a swamp, or a collection of ponds, puddles and damp areas. But



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# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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#### What's Open, from page 4

**Mother Earth Gardens.** Open with restrictions. Online ordering. Curbside pickup. Usual hours.

**McDonald's Liquor and Wine.** Open with restrictions. Call about ordering, delivery and curbside pickup. Usual hours.

Moon Palace Books. Closed to public. Online and phone orders. Delivery by USPS. Call about curbside pickup. Restricted hours. Not buying books.

**Nokomis Shoe Shop.** Open to public. Online orders. Delivery by USPS--free for orders over \$100. Slightly restricted hours.

**Once Upon A Crime.** Open with restrictions. Online orders, delivery by USPS available. Restricted hours. See website for more.

#### Service

**Cedar Ave Repair.** Open with restrictions. Usual hours. Call before visit.

Clyde's Service Auto Repair. Open

with restrictions. Usual hours. Call before visit.

K9 & Kitty Kutters (Bloomington Ave). Open by appointment. Waiting list. Slightly restricted hours.

**Laundromat (37th & Chicago).** Open to public. Usual hours.

**Nailish.** Open with restrictions. Online appointments. Usual hours.

**Pedego.** Open with restrictions. Phone orders. Delivery available. Call for curbside pickup. Restricted hours. Open for all services but call first.

**Riverstone Salon and Wellness Center.** Open with restrictions by appointment. Usual hours.

**The Beauty Room.** Open with restrictions by appointment. Usual hours.

#### **Health Care**

**CUHCC & CUHCC Dental.** By appointment. Usual hours.

**East Lake Animal Clinic.** By appointment. Usual hours.

HCMC Whittier Clinic. By appoint-

ment. Usual hours. COVID-19 testing available.

**Minnehaha Animal Hospital.** By appointment. Usual hours.

**Nokomis Pet Clinic.** By appointment. Usual hours.

**People's Center.** Open with restrictions. Wellness Hub closed. Online appointment requests available. Telehealth available.

People's Center Dental Clinic (Minnehaha). Open with restrictions. Usual hours.

**Pet Doctor (Franklin Ave).** By appointment. Usual hours.

**Spinal Frontier.** By appointment. Phone orders. Restricted hours. Chiro care and wellness products.

Gyms, Wellness Centers, Training Facilities

**Blaisdell YMCA.** Open by reservation with restrictions. See website for rules and reservation process. Online fitness classes still available.

**Midtown YWCA.** Open by reservation with restrictions. See website for rules and reservation process. Online fitness classes and personal training still available.

**The Fix Studio and Café.** Open for outdoor workouts, running, and biking. Call about other services. Restricted hours.

#### Nonprofit

Ani-meals - Meals on Wheels for Pets- New service at Community Emergency Services! Contact CES if you need pet food delivered to your home. Weekly.

**Boys and Girls Clubs of TC.** Open with restrictions. Restricted hours. Only open for food distribution.

**Briva Health.** Open with restrictions. Health care navigation by phone or appointment. Usual hours.

Macedonia Baptist Church. Open with restrictions. Restricted hours. Call for more information. Only open for food distribution.

People and Pets Together. Open with restrictions. No delivery or curbside pickup. Usual hours. Pet food shelf - 1 client at a time.

**Sabathani Food Shelf.** Open with restrictions. Usual hours. Only open for food distribution.

**Simpson Food Pantry.** Open to public. Restricted hours. Outdoors, weather permitting.

Soup for You Café at Bethany Lutheran Church (Franklin). Closed to public. Distributing bag lunches at the side door Monday thru Friday, 11 a.m. until gone.

Walker Church- Open with restrictions. Hot meals, bagged groceries. Email office@walkerchurch.org or message Facebook page for information. Tuesdays only. Only open for food distribution.

Walk-in Counseling. Closed to public. Call for Phone or Zoom counseling. Usual hours.

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See <a href="https://twin-cities-mutual-aid.org/">https://twin-cities-mutual-aid.org/</a> for complete list, or for updates on needs of most of the sites listed below.

**612 MASH (Medics at Chicago & 38th).** Need ice, bottled water. Use link above to find current needs.

**Baha'i Center.** Medical and hygiene supplies needed urgently. Use link above to find current needs.

**Blaisdell YMCA.** Use link above to find current needs.

Café Racer Kitchen. Not in link above. Breaking Bread free lunches. Daily updates on Facebook page. To donate see their website.

**Holy Trinity Lutheran Church.** Use link above to find current needs.

**Kenwood Park Sanctuary.** Use link above to find current needs.

**Lyndale Farmstead Park Sanctuary.**Use link above to find current needs.

**Mercado El Colegio.** Use link above to find current needs.

**Modern Times Cafe.** For July: temporarily closed.

**Powderhorn Park Sanctuary.** Use link above to find current needs.

Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Park Sanctuary. Use link above to find current needs.

**Seward Café.** Distribution of groceries. Volunteers needed. Check Facebook page and the link above for current needs.

**YWCA Midtown.** Use link above to find current needs.

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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR •

#### Southside Pride / NOKOMIS EDITION

#### Community Conversations on Race Tuesday, July 21, 4:30 to 6p.m.

A panel of speakers of different cultural backgrounds will share their experiences with race and racism. Participants will join small group conversations facilitated by LeaderWise staff and ask questions during panelist Q&A. No cost. Space is limited. Registration and information: leaderwise.org/conversations-on-race

#### Outdoor Dance & Drum Class Saturday afternoons

Bossen Field Park 5657 28th Ave. S., Mpls. 1 to 2:30 p.m. West African Dance with Sana Bangoura 2:45 to 3:45 p.m. Djembe and doun class with Fode Bangoura Duniya Drum & Dance will hold outdoor classes every Saturday afternoon, with social distancing in place. Please bring a chair if you can. Classes are \$15. \$5 drum rental (text ahead if renting 651-338-5409). Park in lot on E. 56th St. then follow paved path to the field. Note: Class cancellations will only be posted on our Facebook page. https://www. facebook.com/DuniyaMN

# Rain Taxi announces two ground-breaking new virtual events! Tuesday, July 21, 7 p.m.

For the first time since lockdown began, Rain Taxi will be gathering its community virtually to celebrate the publication of its Summer 2020 Print Issue! The event will be livestreamed to the comfort of your own home via YouTube. With an exciting program featuring the work of artist Jil Evans, novelist Louise Erdrich, poet Xandria Phillips, and YA author Echo Brown plus some special surprises and announcements. The event is free to attend, and attendees who RSVP will be entered into the running to win a free Rain Taxi Prize Pack! Check out all the details here: https://www. raintaxi.com/summer-issue-virtual-party/

In addition, Rain Taxi has also announced that its twentieth annual Twin Cities Book Festival will be held virtually, and it's going to be a festival like no other! Renowned for its annual one-day gathering at the Minnesota State Fairgrounds, this year the nonprofit is designing an innovative platform through which to embrace the leap to cyberspace, and will be presenting a three-day, virtual festival in October. This brand-new version will be more accessible than ever and will include a digital book fair, a variety of online author events, and unique web content commemorating this special 20th year of the TCBF. Valuing community means keeping everyone safe and connected, and this fun, fresh take on the Festival will do just that! More info here: https://twincitiesbookfestival.com/.

## Free Acupuncture Sundays at 1 p.m. or 2 p.m. Calvary Lutheran Church

3901 Chicago Ave., Mpls.
Calvary is currently partnering
with Acupuncturists Without Borders, who provide group healing circle treatments. A simple treatment
of 5 needles (or ear seeds) in each
ear. Ear points include treatment for
the whole body and help provide an
overall sense of well-being. Results
include improved ability to cope;
improved ability to sleep; improved
mental clarity; reduction of aches

and pains; and reduction of depression and anxiety. We plan to offer treatments every Sunday in Calvary's courtyard (Chicago side of our building). Come and experience it! To learn more about Acupuncturists Without Borders, follow this link: acuwithoutborders.org/history

#### Sewing Masks for Hospitals Can you sew?

One critical need that has emerged recently is the need for more personal protective equipment (PPE), such as masks and gowns, in hospitals and other health care settings. In recent days, doctors and nurses have warned that they are running out of equipment to stay safe as they diagnose and treat patients. Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota and Allina Health, and several community partners, have launched a statewide volunteer effort, calling for people to sew and donate masks for doctors. nurses, and other medical staff. The CDC compliant DIY mask pattern, material list, and directions can be found here: https://www.sewgoodgoods.org/face-mask-covid-19. Can't sew, but still want to help? If you don't sew but would like to support the effort, donations are welcome to Sew Good Goods through GiveMN at https://www. givemn.org/organization/Sewgood-

#### When Home Won't Let You Stay: Art and Migration

Minneapolis Institute of Art
Bringing an intimate virtual experience of Mia's special exhibition,
right to you. We'll always be here
for you—as a place for creativity,
healing, and reflection. While our
galleries remain dark, you can visit
us virtually. Enjoy this series of short
videos highlighting artworks featured
in the exhibition "When Home Won't
Let You Stay: Art and Migration,"
narrated by Gabriel Ritter, Mia's
head curator for contemporary art.
You can watch them all here: https://
vimeo.com/showcase/art-migration

#### Walker at Home Walker Art Center

While our galleries are closed, we still want you to connect with art, artists, and the community you love. The Walker homepage at https:// walkerart.org/ is your source for videos, articles, and activities to help you stay engaged. Check out the Walker's downloadable art activities for kids (or adults!) and learn about upcoming live online events. Plus, you can still visit the Sculpture Garden! Although the Walker building is temporarily closed, the Minneapolis Sculpture Garden offers a place to enjoy art in a beautiful landscape. The Garden is open regular hours, from 6 a.m. to midnight every day. For your safety, please use social distancing practices and maintain a minimum of 6 feet from others while visiting the Garden.

#### Riverview at Home: Virtual Cinema Help support the Riverview Theater and catch a new independent movie at home!

If you are interested in supporting us during these hard times while watching great cinema, here's your chance! A few cinema distributors have created "Virtual Screenings" of some independent films we might typically show. You are able to watch these films at home, and it provides

economic support for independent theaters like the Riverview. By using the links we provide, you will be supporting us. For each film you rent, a percentage of the cost will go directly to the Riverview. Some of the films we are now offering in our Virtual Cinema include: Bungalow -A mesmerizing portrait of a young German soldier who goes AWOL and returns to his childhood home in the countryside; Quarantine Cat Fest -Amateur filmmakers from around the world filmed their beloved cats during COVID-19 stay-at-home orders. Proud - From the award-winning director of Fatima, this threepart episodic cinema event is a chronology of tolerance and a portrait of one family through changing times; Runner - A refugee marathoner sets out to be South Sudan's first Olympian against all odds.; and many more. A complete list of films we are currently offering is available online at http://www.riverviewtheater.com, check back soon for more movies!

#### Stay Home and Make Art!

Let's all do our part to help flatten the curve. Collaborate with Twin Cities artist Amy Rice! Visit her Flickr album to download Amy Rice original coloring pages, fun for kids and adults of all ages. https://www.flickr. com/photos/amy\_rice/sets/

#### The Joy of Painting with Bob Ross

On Bob Ross's YouTube page, you can find all 31 seasons of his show, encompassing a total of 403 roughly 30-minute episodes. Every single episode is available to watch for FREE online at https://www.youtube.com/user/BobRossInc/playlists. Each episode features a different nature scene, while he goes over the techniques and materials you need to paint right along with him. Dig out your old art supplies and paint some "happy little trees" with Bob!

#### Minnesota Peacebuilding Leadership Institute

Dedicated to transforming psychological trauma into nonviolent power

Registration info: https://www.mnpeace.org/

July 2020 online trainings and talking circles specifically designed for people who live, work, and/or play in Minneapolis, Minn. Everyone is welcome.

- 1) STAR Training Strategies for Trauma Awareness and Resilience STAR Training is an evidence-based trauma awareness, resilience, and restorative justice training with a national and international reputation of success.
- 2) STAR-Lite Training Not enough time for the full STAR Training? No worries. The STAR-Lite Training is a single-day evidence-based training integrating neuropsychology, trauma healing and resilience, restorative justice, nonviolent conflict transformation, and broadly defined spirituality for those who wish to learn the basics of becoming trauma-informed, resilience-oriented, and restorative justice-focused within a shorter time frame than the full STAR Training.
- 3) Restorative Justice 101
  Training R J 101: Training for Minnesota
  Practice in Everyday Life teaches the principles, philosophies, and practices of Restorative justice via lecture and experiential education methodologies for empowering individuals minimum methodologies for empowering individuals



and communities for application in daily life. Restorative justice practices empower those who have been harmed, the community surrounding those harmed, and positively impacts the behavior of those who cause harm.

4) Resilience and Self-Care Training - When bad things happen and our peace is stolen from us, we want to build peace back into our lives to satisfy our basic human need for justice. Join us to learn, explore, and apply strategies to build peace into our personal and community life with self-care practices for resilience. Everyone is welcome.

Minnesota Peacebuilding Leadership Institute office is located at 5200 47th Ave. S., Ste. 101, Mpls. 55417. Their contact information is 612-345-4310; info@mnpeace.org;www.mnpeace.org.



#### **EVENTS AND ONLINE RESOURCES**

#### **Community Table Open!** Friday, 5 to 9 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Calvary Lutheran Church 3901 Chicago Ave., Mpls. Calvary Lutheran provides a welcoming community to the many people who are coming to pay their respects at the George Floyd memorial on 38th and Chicago. Our Community Table is right on the corner of 39<sup>th</sup> and Chicago Ave. S. in Minneapolis. We offer free water, Gatorade, snacks and masks. People also have an opportunity to make signs and use chalk for sidewalk statements. Calvary's volunteer hosts wear masks and practice safe distancing while being socially engaged with the community. Please visit our website at www. clchurch.org for more information.

#### Masks and gift cards will help refugee families

Minnesota Council of Churches 122 W. Franklin Ave. Ste. 100 Mpls. 55404

As MCC Refugee Services continues our outreach work to educate and support refugee families during the coronavirus pandemic, two requests are surfacing over and over again: cloth face masks and Cub grocery gift cards. We have distributed over 60 donated masks and would like 50 more to share with refugee community members. Grocery gift cards can be mailed to our office and will be distributed directly to our most vulnerable clients. For more information, please email rsvolunteers@ mnchurches.org. Thank you for caring for your neighbors during these days!

#### Five short courses on Racial Reconciliation

The Episcopal Church in Minnesota's School for Formation invites you to dive into five self-paced online short courses aimed at helping you go deeper into this year's mission opportunity of Racial Reconciliation. These courses are led by nationally recognized teachers, professors and priests. Each course consists of

short readings, videos and online quizzes and discussions-you can get through everything in about 45 minutes. You can learn online individually or gather a group to watch and discuss together. The courses are free to members of Episcopal Church in Minnesota faith communities, and available at low cost to the public (\$10-15). For more information and to register, see www.churchnext.tv/library/by/category/ social-justice/.

#### Bahá'i Center of Minneapolis

3644 Chicago Ave., Mpls. Socially distanced devotions, Sundays, 10 to 11 a.m. Please visit the Bahá'i community of Minneapolis website at www. minneapolisbahai.org/. Here you will find information about upcoming and past Holy Day celebrations, as well as news, announcements and information.

#### Catholic Church of the **Holy Name**

3637 11th Ave. S., Mpls. Please check our website for updates on Mass times. Visit www.churchoftheholyname.org/ for Archdiocesan links to Mass online, on TV, and other Mass/prayer resources.

#### **Catholic Church of** St. Albert the Great

E. 29th St. & 32nd Ave. S., Mpls. In-person Masses with limited seating on Saturdays at 5 p.m. and Sundays at 9:30 a.m. and noon. Please see our website at www.saintalbertthegreat.org/ for more details. Sunday 9:30 a.m. Mass also streamed on our Facebook page at www.facebook. com/StAlbertTheGreatMpls/.

#### Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church 3430 E. 51st St., Mpls.

www.faithlutheranmpls.org Sunday Worship (with safety measures in place) at 9 a.m. Those who are over 65, have pre-existing conditions, or live in proximity to at-risk demographics are encouraged to remain home. We will continue to post videos online for Sunday morning for those who can't join us yet on YouTube and Facebook www. facebook.com/felcmpls/. Sunday morning Bible class 10 a.m.; midweek Bible class Wednesdays 10 a.m.; masks and social

spacing required for worship and Bible class. NA groups Wednesdays 7:30 p.m. and Fridays 7 p.m.

#### First Free Church

5150 Chicago Ave. S., Mpls. We're not closed. We're online. Sunday services will be posted at 9 a.m. to our Facebook and YouTube pages.www.firstfreechurch.org

#### Holy Cross Lutheran Church, LCMS

1720 E. Minnehaha Pkwy., Mpls. Drive-In Services now available on Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m. in the parking lot on the 1620 AM channel. Sunday Worship recordings online at www.holycrossmpls. org. Scroll to mid-page on the home page to see recordings and bulletins to follow along. Bible Study via Zoom at 10:30 a.m. (see calendar for info). Lessons on the Lawn, Wednesdays at 7 p.m. on the front lawn of the church.

#### **Hope Lutheran Church**

5728 Cedar Ave. S., Mpls. In a desire to do our part, Hope Lutheran Church has moved worship from a physical gathering in our Sanctuary on Cedar Avenue to an online gathering until further notice. To learn how to connect to our worship services, please click on the Worship Tab on our website.www. hopempls.org

#### **Living Spirit United Methodist** Church

4501 Bloomington Ave., Mpls. Worship with us from home! Worship is currently being streamed on Facebook Live at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday mornings at www.facebook.com/LivingSpiritMN/. The weekly bulletin, children's faith formation packet, and more will be posted to our website; that's also where you can find resources and worship recordings from previous weeks. www.livingspiritumc.org/

#### **Messiah Lutheran Church**

2400 Park Ave., Mpls. All services now online atwww.messiahlutheranmpls.org. Each week we video services, viewable anytime, please join us! Visit our website for online devotions and bulletins.

#### **Minnehaha Communion Lutheran Church**

4101 37th Ave. S., Mpls. Please visit our website for opportunities to connect each week at https://minnehahacommunion.org/.

View Sunday worship services online every week at 9:45 a.m. and oin us for a Zoom virtual coffee hour on Sunday mornings at 10:45 a.m. "Songs of My Life" service held on the second Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. on Zoom (next one is August 12).

#### Minnehaha United Methodist

3701 E. 50th St., Mpls. Our building is closed, so we moved online. Join us! Visit our website at www. minnehaha.org/ for links to online Sunday worship and Taizé services, bulletins and newsletters, and weekly songs and stories for kids. Subscribe to our YouTube channel, where services are close-captioned.

#### Mt. Zion Lutheran Church

5645 Chicago Ave. S., Mpls. Church services are scheduled to resume on Sunday, July 12, at 9 a.m. Please see the "Checklist for Returning to Worship" on our website for appropriate safety and social distancing measures at www. mtzioninmpls.org/.

#### **New Creation Baptist Church**

1414 E. 48th St., Mpls. Watch and interact with our livestream prerecorded services on Sunday mornings at 10:45 a.m. on our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/NewCreationBaptist-Church/ and visit our website at https:// newcreationbaptistchurchmn.org/.

#### **Nokomis Heights Lutheran Church** 5300 10th Ave. S., Mpls.

www.nokomisheights.org All in-person worship and activities suspended. We may be separated, but we are still a church and a community, physically distant but faithfully together. Connect with our online community on Facebook and YouTube and join us as we navigate these challenges together. A new worship goes up on YouTube every Sunday at 10 a.m., and all are archived, so you can view the ones you missed.www.facebook.com/ NokomisHeights/

#### **Plymouth Congregational Church**

1900 Nicollet Ave., Mpls. All Plymouth meetings and in-church Sunday services canceled until further notice. Please visit our website at www.plymouth. org/ or our Facebook page atwww. facebook.com/PlymouthCongregational-Church/to access our virtual offerings of Sunday services, contemplative prayer, daily meditations, musical moments, and

#### St. Joan of Arc Catholic Community

4537 3rd Ave. S., Mpls. For video masses, musical performances, church bulletins, and other news, please see our website www.saintjoanofarc.org/ or Facebook page www.facebook.com/ StJoanMpls/.

#### St. Mark's Episcopal Cathedral

519 Oak Grove St., Mpls. For the sake of the common good, Saint Mark's doors are closed until further notice-still there is so much you can practice from home. Beginning June 7, Saint Mark's will livestream Sunday morning worship online at 10:30 a.m. Visit our website at https://ourcathedral. org/ for links to Daily Practices and past livestreams and video archives.

#### Temple of Aaron

616 Mississippi River Blvd. S., St. Paul Please visit our Facebook page for updates on the synagogue's programs, schools, and services. www.facebook.com/Temple-of-Aaron-202015025137/

#### **Trinity Lutheran** Congregation

Augsburg College, Hoversten Chapel Riverside & 22<sup>nd</sup> Aves., Mpls. www.trinitylutherancongregation.org Online worship available anytime on our YouTube channel: Trinity Lutheran Congregation

#### **Walker Community United Methodist Church**

3104 16th Ave. S., Mpls. Until further notice, Walker Church will be closed for all non-essential operations. Services will continue online via Zoom and Facebook Live at 11 a.m. to noon on Sundays. Visit our website at www. walkerchurch.org/ or Facebook page at www.facebook.com/walkerumc/ for more information.

#### SHARING FOOD

#### **Bethany Lutheran Church** 2511 E. Franklin Ave., Mpls. 612-332-2397

Soup for You! UPDATE: We are still spreading the love! The Soup for You! Café will be closed to normal dining, but we plan to distribute bag lunches at the regular entrance to the Café, to mitigate the spread of COVID-19.www.bethanyinseward.org/

#### **Calvary Lutheran Church** 3901 Chicago Ave., Mpls. 612-827-2504, ext. 205

The Calvary Emergency Food Shelf is available for area residents on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to noon. We will hand out pre-packaged bags of food with a Walk-Up table on 39th St. and Drive-Thru model at the parking lot entrance. Please stay in your car, and we'll bring the food to you! Volunteers will be available outside to help you. There are eligibility requirements. On our website, www.clchurch.org, click on the "Food Shelf" link in the "Outreach" tab, or call the food shelf office at 612-827-2504, ext. 205.

#### **Food Hub Greater Friendship Missionary Baptist Church** 2600 E. 38th St.

Monday - Friday, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Free Food and Household Supplies.

#### **Groveland Emergency Food Shelf** 1900 Nicollet Ave., Mpls. **Plymouth Congregational** Church

612-871-0277 Monday - Friday 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Entrance on Groveland Ave. between Nicollet and Lasalle. http://grovelandfoodshelf.org/

#### **Minnehaha United Methodist** Church

#### 3701 E. 50th St., Mpls. 612-721-6231

Yes, the food shelf is still open! In order to fight food insecurity in our neighborhood, as of April 9, 2020, the Minnehaha Food Shelf will still be open on Tuesdays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. We have moved our operations outdoors, meter the flow of clients to help ensure social distancing, periodically clean our surfaces, and wear face masks. Should we have foul weather, we plan to move the distribution indoors, though still meter clients and encourage distancing. www.facebook.com/MinnehahaFoodShelf/

#### **New Creation Baptist Church** 1414 E. 48th St., Mpls. 612-825-6933

We're still here to serve you on the first through fourth Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. or until we run out of bags. Be safe and God bless! www.facebook.com/NCB-Cfoodshelf/

Food Shelf

Saturdays (except 5th Saturdays) 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

(Brown door on the corner of 48th St. and 15th Ave.)

#### **Walker Community United Methodist Church** 3104 16th Ave. S., Mpls. office@walkerchurch.org

Tuesday Meals: Our regular Tuesday meals will be suspended until shelter-in-place orders end. We will still have groceries available for pickup on Tuesdays from 5 to 6 p.m. www.walkerchurch.org/

# The Nokomis Religious Community **Welcomes You**

**Christian** 

#### CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST. ALBERT THE GREAT

E. 29th St. & 32nd Ave. S. 612-724-3643 www.saintalbertthegreat.org

#### CATHOLIC CHURCH OF THE HOLY NAME

3637 - 11th Ave. S., 612-724-5465 Please check our website for updates on Mass times

www.churchoftheholyname.org Pastor: Fr. Leo Schneider A welcoming Roman Catholic communitu

#### ITH EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

3430 E. 51st St. 612-729-5463 www.faithlutheranmpls.org Sunday Worship 9 am and online on YouTube and Facebook https://www.facebook.com/felcmpls/

Sunday Morning Bible class 10 am Midweek Bible class Wednesdays 10 am Masks and social spacing required for worship and Bible class.

NA groups Wednesdays 7:30 pm and Fridays 7 pm Pastor: Rev. Jesse Davis

#### FIRST FREE CHURCH

5150 Chicago Ave. S. 612-827-4705 "We're not closed. We're online." www.firstfreechurch.org Christ-Centered, Christ-sent

#### HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH, LCMS 1720 E. Minnehaha Pkwy.

612-722-1083 Sunday Worship recordings online at www.holycrossmpls.org Scroll to mid-page on the home page to see recordings and bulletins to follow along. Bible Study via Zoom at 10:30 am (see calendar for info) Lessons on the Lawn, Wednesdays at 7 pm on the front lawn of the church. Pastor: Bruce Laabs

#### HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH

5728 Cedar Ave. S. 612-827-2655 www.hopempls.org All are welcome, no exceptions

#### LIVING SPIRIT UNITED **METHODIST CHURCH**

A Multicultural, Intergenerational 4501 Bloomington Ave. 612-721-5025 Worship with us from home! www.livingspiritumc.org/online

#### MT. ZION LUTHERAN - LCMS 5645 Chicago Ave. S.

612-824-1882

www.mtzioninmpls.org Visit our outdoor lending library!

#### NEW CREATION BAPTIST **CHURCH**

1414 E. 48th St. 612-825-6933 https://newcreationbaptistchurchmn. https://www.facebook.com/NewCreationBaptistChurch/ Pastor: Rev. Dr. Daniel B. McKizzie

#### NOKOMIS HEIGHTS LUTHERAN CHURCH - ELCA

5300 10th Ave. S. 612-825-6846 www.nokomisheights.org Worship with us online on YouTube New worship goes up every Sunday at 10 am. Find us on Facebook

#### ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

www.stjoan.com 4537 Third Ave. Masses suspended until further notice Video available on our website and Facebook page We Welcome You Wherever You Are On Your Journey



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# • SPIRIT AND CONSCIENCE • Southside Pride / NOKOMIS EDITION

# Defund the police: a letter to the City Council

BY ELAINE KLAASSEN

I support the City Council in its intention to defund the need to monitor the behavior police. I'm assuming, though, this doesn't mean there will be place in the future. I'm hoping this means starting over from scratch, as I understand they did in Camden, N.J., redefining what it means to have a police force. Another city to look at, where massive reforms took place, is Athens, Ga. A friend of mine, Karin, has lived there since 1969 and says there was a man, Chief Joseph Lumpkin, Sr., who took over the department and reformed it. One of the results is that now all police officers live in the community. The department is significantly more humane. Chief Lumpkin has won numerous awards, if must be taken to restore confivou look him up.

My three recommendations partment are:

#### 1) Trauma healing.

Since police officers (peacekeepers) obviously experience trauma and abnormal levels of fear, they should have some kind of trauma healing programs in place-or maybe the to Violence Project (AVP) workshops, which are exactly about that: alternatives. I guess many police forces in Africa have done these workshops with great success. AVP doesn't creativity. It eradicates the "them and us."

#### 2) No military weapons.

No military mentality. I'm all for conservation, I hate to see things go to waste as much as able. the next person, but finding a use for unused military weapons in the police forces of the nation is not a good plan and serves no one. I don't know if along with the weapons or if that has always been there. demonize everyone. Everyone maintain public order. In espewho is not the police is considered "the enemy" and must be controlled and conquered, especially black and brown peo-

#### 3) Officers (peacekeepers) of other peacekeepers.

EPIC (Ethical Policing is Couno public safety mechanism in rageous) is one system that has worked well in New Orleans, apparently. Michael W. Quinn, retired Minneapolis police officer, in his book "Walking with the Devil: The Police Code of Silence: The promise of Peer Intervention" (2005, latest edition 2017), writes about EPIC as well as the general theme of ethics and integrity in policing.

> Ed Felien at Southside Pride newspaper wrote these five essential steps three years ago, which definitely should be incorporated into the NEW form of peacekeeping:

"Here are five actions that dence in the MPD:

"1) The actions of the MPD for the new public safety de- must be subject to review by the Minneapolis Civil Rights Commission. Every other employee in Minneapolis, every other citizen or visitor to Minneapolis is subject to the civil rights ordinances of Minneapolis. The MPD are exempt. This tells them they are above the opportunity to do Alternative law. This can be changed by an action of the City Council.

"2) There must be a full review of the police reports of the Jamar Clark and Terrance Franklin killings by the Minnesota attorney general and the work with racism per se, but Minnesota Civil Rights Comleads participants through a mission. This must be requestpath to greater humanity and ed by the mayor and City Council. Even a superficial reading of the reports reveals obvious examples of police misconduct. Officers responsible for misconduct must be held account-

"3) There must be a public review of the training of MPD officers. The training films of the discredited Lewinsky that encourage a 'Shoot first, the military mentality comes ask questions later' must be stopped and repudiated.

"4) We need a much great-It seems as though the police er reliance on block clubs to cially troubled neighborhoods, the city should pay block club captains to act as welcome wagon hosts for new residents,

services, educational and employment opportunities.

"5) There must be a residency requirement for all city employees. The MPD must 'Protect and Serve' all the people who live in this city. They are not an occupying army."

Recently, my friend Karin's daughter, who also lives in Athens, Ga., had to call the police because a friend and neighbor of hers, whom she has known for 20 years, suddenly had a psychotic episode. He was throwing rocks through her windows and threatening to kill her. Krysia, my friend's daughter, knew the policemen who came. On the phone already she had told them that her threatening neighbor, Oliver, was not a criminal and was having a mental breakdown. They came to protect her, and called the mental health unit to care for Oliver and take him to the hospital. Maybe they listened to her because they were acquainted. (I don't know if race and class figured into the positive result of this interaction. Karin says most of the South is more racially mixed than Minnesota and the Athens police department reflects the mixture. Krysia and Oliver are white and are both artists.)

The police, here in Minneapolis, anyway, have a sense of being persecuted. The more persecuted they feel, the more abusive they become. One time, to look at the water meter. I I'm losing my humanity and

no. When he came up from the basement, he said something about music and we had a conversation. It turned out he was in training to become a police officer. He was worried about the bad reputation of the police, though. Then he said what I'm sure he had heard in his training, that positive public attitudes toward the police come and go and right now we were in a stretch in which the public didn't like the police very much. It appeared he thought it had to do with trends, and had nothing to do with how the police conduct themselves.

The relationship between the community and the police force is crucial. My friend Marilynn, who is BIPoC, was at the mall one Xmas. There was a multiracial group of rowdy teens in the hallways who were yelling and swearing at customers minding their own business and trying to get their Xmas shopping done. Finally, a white police officer, about 40, in full gear, with guns and all, who had been working in one of the stores, came out and said to the kids in a forceful, authoritative tone, "Hey, have some respect, please." She said the kids settled down, got quiet and walked away. She went up to him and said, "I just wanted to say thank you for your service. I saw what you did and I appreciate it." She said his eyes watered up. "You know," a young man came to my house he said, "It's hard. I feel like

ple. I'm opposed to that men- telling them about government was upstairs playing the pia- my faith in humans [at this job]." He said a little bit more but then pulled back, as though he had said too much. She assured him she knew what he was talking about, based on her years working as a nurse in the county emergency department in Houston. A jolly old police officer she knew in Houston told her as he was about to retire, "If you were my daughter, I'd never let you date a policeman. They become assholes. They have to."

> I don't hate the police. Yet, even though they don't have a reputation for harassing old white ladies, I am still quite afraid of them. I recognize that they deal with danger and trauma and maybe boredom. They see the worst that humanity has to offer, they see people at their worst, when they are weakest, making bad decisions, struggling with their own traumas, etc. And, of course, they want to go home at night, that's a perfectly legitimate desire. (We wish when they went home at night, they didn't have so far to go.)

> I heard that one of the changes made in Camden, N.J., was that the focus became not just on making sure the police made it home alive, but on making sure the police officer, the victim and the perpetrator ALL got out alive.

> People who break the law are human beings. The police are human beings. This is the bottom line for creating a new



Hennepin County Medical Center

East Lake Clinic

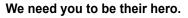


No grocery stores. No post office. No pharmacies.

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The riots on Lake Street in Minneapolis severely damaged and closed our East Lake Clinic. This presents an urgent need to help the 8,000 patients who relied on this critical

healthcare resource. We are committed to healthcare equity and access. We will return to this vibrant and diverse community, but it will take 5-6 months before this clinic opens its doors again. Our community is reeling.

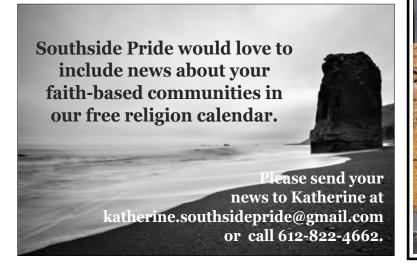


Help Us:

- · Address the food and supply desert in this community. Donate food and basic needs like: diapers, baby wipes, deodorant, shampoo, tampons, and toothpaste. Learn
- Transport patients of East Lake Clinic to our Whittier Clinic four miles away.
- · Offer home visits, mobile healthcare vans, and interpreter services to expand access to essential vaccines and care.
- Support our staff on the frontlines responding to COVID-19 and now this new patient care crisis.

Be an East Lake Clinic Hero Today: https://www.hennepinhealthcare.org/hennepin-healthcare-foundation/

Thank you for standing with our community.



BY AMY BLUMENSHINE

Cry, the Beloved Community. It's really different watching breaking news when it's your own neighborhood and your own heart that's breaking. The Southside and my neighborhood, Powderhorn Park, in particular, have been full of heartbreak in recent weeks. We feel in the center of an erupting maelstrom of societal ills.

The callous, terrorizing police killing of George Floyd on Memorial Day set in motion a cascade of protests. Tens of thousands of locals-many trying to keep pandemic protocol-marched in outrage and peaceful solidarity the night after Floyd was killed. Yet another virus-violence-spread quickly and suspiciously under the skirts of rage. Acrid smoke

and embers plagued our homes as major fires consumed buildings. Hundreds of enterprises, large and small, that employ and serve our community were damaged or destroyed. Over the next five days, we were all terrorized by serious threats to safety, but we'd also gotten organized. At Powderhorn Park the Saturday and Sunday after the murder, organizing rallies were held, each with nearly a thousand observing pandemic protocol. We recognized that we were under attack by forces multiple and serious. We needed to organize to protect ourselves since we could not count on uniformed professionals to respond to our needs. Block residents quickly planned to support the protests while protecting each other nonviolently with various strategies, including posting vigils through the nights of curfew for the next week. We even put out twinkle lights and signs to welcome protesters. And every morning, neighbors showed up with brooms and buckets to clean up

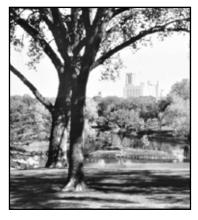
After a week of curfew and vigils, Powderhorn Park was then the site for the remarkable and historic declaration of a majority of the City Council that the police force would be re-designed into a community safety system in which all in the community could trust.

the mess.

Then, after hardly three nights of non-vigil sleep, a new emergency arrived in Powderhorn Park. People evicted from the sanctuary hotel debacle (formerly known as Sheraton) began tenting in the park. A very sad set of perpetually traumatized people were in need of every basic service in our backyard. Neighbors responded with compassion, but we were divided about the wisdom of the encampment in the park. Soon a multitude came to tent in the park for a variety of reasons and the number of tents grows every

It's fitting that a disaster relief group set up their equipment in the park since this is a disaster unfolding. It's combelow international standards. Here are folks who have fallen out of being able to "make it" on the very demanding terms we've established in our "winner take all" system. The long-festering ills of our society-housing and health care as financial commodities, family breakdown and anomie, widespread distrust of social institutions, untreated to the needs of others? Some of mental illness, alcohol and drug it is the mindset that violence addictions, dispossessed communities exploited in illicit trafficking instead of cooperating in mocked him. The domination community safety-are on display in our backyard. Some have learned to deal with life by being cons, some by being provocateurs. Anger tends to spill out cerned. Now the Southside-and not at its cause but undifferentiated, at whomever is nearby. Much is painful, triggering and threatening to witness.

incredible set of "volunteers" leaning into best outcomes for



the poor, or at least for getting through this day without harm. Most of them identify with those in need and use radical love and empathy to de-escalate emotions and help people live in community. They attempt to have a community meeting every evening for self-governance. (Look up the Minneapolis Sanctuary Movement for how to help.) All of our best practices, however, for treating mental illness and addiction require trust and hope and are helped by a sense of community-conditions that would be served better by boundaries and limits on the encampment.

Of course, all of this is unfolding during a pandemic that threatens both sudden death and widespread economic upheaval. For the first time in history, the whole world is experiencing the same thing and is able to communicate about it. And all of this while time is running out to make radical changes to prevent climate catastrophe. It's all very breath-taking.

Meanwhile, in the aftermath of the callous breath-taking of George Floyd, some religious people are claiming that an outpouring of holiness is occurring in the area. George Washington Carver himself, years ago, declared that Minneapolis would be the site of a grand spiritual revival. Some claim it's happening now.

On the national level, the Poor Peoples Campaign for a New Moral Revival is calling for a "revolution of values to save the soul and heart of our democracy." In their words: "The politparable to a refugee camp but ical and economic systems in the U.S. are plagued by the interlocking injustices of systemic racism, poverty, militarism and a war economy, ecological devastation and a distorted moral narrative of religious nationalism. Somebody's hurting our people. It's gone on far too long, and we won't be silent anymore."

How do people get so callous is necessary. As George Floyd begged for breath, the officers system requires violence and humiliation—which leaves a wake of trauma. And it tends to corrupt the character of all conour nation-must make a grand evolutionary leap. May we move from trauma to transformation, from uprising to up-wising, Also called to the park are an moving from a culture of killing to a culture of caring.

June 18, 2020 -

#### **Statement in Support** of Police Reform and Chief Arradondo

The death of George Floyd was a chapter in a story that is as old as our nation and is, sadly, still being written in communities across the country. Philando Castile, Breonna Taylor, Rayshard Brooks... These names serve stark notice that policing across the United States needs transformational reform.

The problems with policing are deeply rooted in the structural racism that permeates our society and its institutions. The current rallying cries around "defunding," "dismantling," or "abolishing" the police are grounded in a basic truth that sweeping and visionary reforms are needed

The answer is not to simply defund or dismantle the police. We need to address societal racism and rebuild our infrastructure so that we can reduce our reliance on policing. Minneapolis receives more than 400,000 calls for police services every year. Housing, education, health care, mental health and the environment are key fronts for enhancing safety.

Without a doubt, the Minneapolis Police Department needs transformational reform but we oppose the current proposal to amend the Minneapolis City Charter to remove the police department. This Charter amendment will not advance the transformational reform that is needed. In fact, it is a distraction from the necessary work at hand.

We believe we have a leader in place who can bring about the much needed change in the police department if he has adequate support. Chief Medaria Arradondo is an ethical, professional and compassionate leader. He knows our city and loves its people. He has a reform agenda, but has experienced opposition from the Police Union and has lacked support from the City Council. We call on our citizens to support Chief Arradondo in his effort to transform our police department.

We have an opportunity brought about by tragedy but it is an opportunity we can't waste. MInneapolis can become a model for the nation by rethinking the mission of policing. Only then can Minneapolis fulfill this moment and develop a new, bold model for a safe, inclusive community.

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BY ED FELIEN

I know you've got a lot on ditionally, the hotel is only your plate, but there are some 1.4 miles from the Winehavconcrete things you can do to en Winery bringing guests help end homelessness and take and wedding parties often. some of the pressure off the encampment at the Powderhorn Sanctuary.

hotels for the homeless. You joy the extended-stay suite can do that, too. Last winter you got generous contributions from Ecolab, Securian, Andersen Corp. and Wells Fargo, and now is the time for all good Min-tiplier and offers investors nesota companies to once again an opportunity to acquire a come to the aid of our homeless, and your office could coordinate that.

for sale in Chisago City, just is located just off Highway 8 40 miles from the Twin Cities. It's got 51 rooms, a conference room, a small café and a large swimming pool.

broker:

"Marcus & Millichap is proud to be the Exclusive Representative for the sale of the Comfort Inn and Suites Chisago City. Pothe MSP metro the hotel greatly benefits with its visibility off amount of lakes, national parks, of Highway 8. This Comfort Inn and the Winehaven Winery a 50-mile radius. It also is only one of two hotels in Chisago center for guests. Each gues-

lakes bringing tourists from all around the Midwest. Ad-This limited-service 3 story, 51 room property was built in 2012 originally as a Hennepin County is buying GrandStay. Guests can enstyle rooms. There are 14 extended-stay suites in the hotel. The property is priced at a 2.8 Room Revenue Mulfully stabilized, limited-service asset, in the extended metro area. The Comfort There is a wonderful hotel Inn and Suites Chisago City that sees over 20,000 cars a day. It is the complete mar-

ket leader and benefits from the local demand there with a Here's the description by the healthy mix of leisure and business travelers. Main employers in Chisago County are Plastics Products with almost 1,000 employees, Premier Marine, LEI Packaging, and Rosenbausitioned less than 40 miles from er Minnesota LLC. The city also draws visitors in for the dense and Suites is the ONLY Choice Vineyard. The property features product in a 25-mile radius from 51 guestrooms with a heated its location and one of three in indoor pool, whirlpool, 14 extended-stay suites, and business City. The property gains demand troom is equipped with a microfrom the numerous surrounding wave, refrigerator, flat screen



Gov. Tim Walz

TV with premium channels, and coffee maker. The property also offers high-speed WiFi, complimentary hot breakfast, and 1 meeting room."

https://www.cityfeet. unit, which is an excellent value. com/cont/listing/hotelsfor-sale/29579-sportsmandr-chisago-city-mn-55013/ c s 1 8 6 8 3 2 6 6 ? s k = f -07c69450f704e11bb1bca90935c5b61

They're asking \$3.3 million, but it was on the market before COVID wiped out the hospitality industry, so they would probably take much less. You might need 20% for a down payment. If the price went down to \$3 million (and it should go down much further than that), the down payment would be \$600,000. You much cash just lying around, and you could finance the rest by selling bonds. It would be a great investment work out to about \$60,000 per doing nothing.

The 14 extended-stay suites would be suitable for families with children. There should be a shuttle twice a day to the Twin Cities. There should be on-site job counseling, mental health screening and methadone treat-

ment and chemical dependency counseling.

This would be transitional housing. People would check in for one month of free housing. After that, they would pay 30% of their monthly income for rent, and they could stay in the hotel until they find permanent housing.

Buying the Comfort Inn will should be able to find that not end homelessness in Minnesota. It may bring with it a lot of problems. And, in the end, it might not work out. But, even then, we would learn something for the state, and it would be a from the experiment. This may great contribution to fighting not be the best option available. homelessness. The cost would But the worst option would be

#### Chaos, from page 1

strong, Michelle Gross and Jaylani Hussein. We also have amazing young activists who have shone in the recent protests through organizations like Reclaim the Block and Black Visions Collective. Not only should these voices be at the table, they should be leading the conversation about how to best move forward toward a future that truly ensures liberty and justice for all.

I understand why the

city is wary of this path. It invites chaos, it eliminates top-down control, it allows for outcomes we can't even fathom at this moment. But anything less is bowing in complicity to business as usual. Many prefer the mediocrity of the knowable. It's comfortable and feels safe. But this moment calls for chaos. Only the chaos of a truly democratic process will build the beautiful future we all deserve.

#### 38th and Chicago, from page 1

demonstrations, but at this crossroad. they are peaceful. On July 5, the 10K Foundation's New American March from the Mall of America ended at Chicago and 38th with signs and songs, despite temperatures in the 90° range and a brief thunderstorm.

For now, there are no plans about the long-term fate of the area. Discussions on local social media talk about closing the intersection permanently. Others are suggesting making it a roundabout. But for now, there are no plans to make changes and people continue to come, to visit, to reflect and remember.

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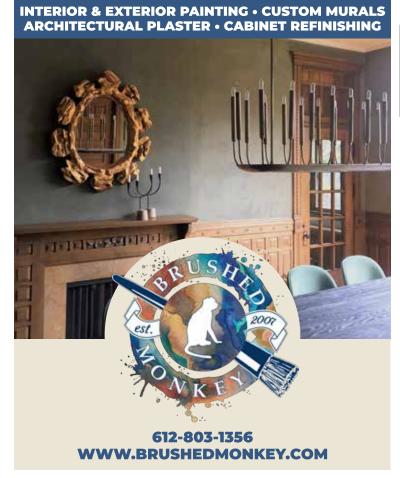
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