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## Magical thinking



BY TONY BOUZA

Another proposed system change to reform the police. How we love gimmicks and formulaic answers. And yet, in our real lives, we mostly tend to be more practical. In the end we usually find that the person matters and the system can be manipulated.

Talented folks make bad systems work and uninterested caretakers let the estate go to rack and ruin.

Now we have a charter proposal to inflate a bloated and dysfunctional bureaucracy. Whence?

The fact is that those worthies so publicly wringing their hands in a paroxysm of despair actually have no interest in reform.

The proposed reorganization is not only wasteful but sure to produce role confusion among responders. How the City parents love to create magical solutions for tough problems. Magical thinking goes hand in glove with such brilliant notions as defunding the police.

The last thing that would occur to City Hall geniuses is to cut the budget, eliminate

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# The race for Ward 2



Cam Gordon (photo/camgordon.org)

## Cam Gordon is a proven leader in Minneapolis

by Christine Coughlin  
Minneapolis

I feel tremendously grateful to have such a thoughtful and principled representative in Cam Gordon. Cam is accessible, welcoming, real, and respectful. He knows how to get things done – to turn good ideas into practical reality, which is a rare gift, especially in today's world.

Cam starts with a clearly articulated progressive vision. Everything he does is to make our city more just and equitable, more sustainable, more peaceful, and more democratic.

But Cam knows that no one person or group has all the answers. So the next step is equally important: he brings people together, and listens to them, and encourages them to listen to each other. He lifts up and centers the voices of people who have been historically left out, especially low-income people and Black, Indigenous

and people of color.

Putting these pieces together – a clear, progressive vision and the empathy and humility to bring people together to find consensus – produces real, concrete actions that make our city better.

Here's how this works, in practice. After the murder of George Floyd and the unrest last year, Cam brought together hundreds of people in dozens of small groups in parks and yards across the ward. He shared his vision for transforming public safety, but mostly he was there to listen, and to encourage participants to listen to each other. Cam then took the key themes from these conversations and implemented many of them through the Safety for All budget. We now have an unarmed Behavioral Health Crisis team responding to 911 calls in Minneapolis in large part because Cam brought people together around that vision and got it

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Robin Wonsley Worlobah (photo/Eric Mueller FB)

## Robin Wonsley Worlobah is for ALL of us

by Ken R. Koense, RA, NOMA  
Minneapolis

I have lived in the Twin Cities for nearly 15 years, and Minneapolis for nearly 14. As a resident of the Longfellow community, and Cooper neighborhood, Cam Gordon has been a faithful representative for our community, he has served on the City Council since 2006. Cam appointed me to serve on the Minneapolis Arts Commission, has been responsive to my questions, and has been an active participant in many neighborhood meetings. Cam is a decent man.

Peter McLaughlin, the former Hennepin County Commissioner representing Longfellow for 28 years, was also a good representative for issues in our community, attended meetings, and is a decent man.

What these two men share, aside from being white men, with long terms, is their inability to read the room. Or maybe

they fail[ed] to acknowledge the obvious; they are two white cis-gendered men, who perhaps do not recognize that what they represent, and who they serve, were/are people that look like me. White men of privilege. Oh, I am fully aware, Longfellow is more than white men of privilege, and I am aware of the class issues that exist in our community, our city, and our state. I do not think Cam can solve those issues alone, but I do expect more from our city council members.

I think all city council members representing South Minneapolis failed not only George Floyd, but our community, our people, our city, by not standing with the people most directly affected by the violence perpetrated by police in our communities. They were reactive, not proactive, they stood on the sidelines, instead of standing for the people. What makes their inaction during the early days even more egregious

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# We can do better than this

BY ELINA KOLSTAD

Between the record-breaking heat waves, major floods from Michigan to New York, severe droughts throughout the West, and the possibility that the Champlain Towers South collapse was exacerbated by rising sea levels, you might have noticed the impacts of climate change have officially arrived. We no longer have the time to prevent catastrophes caused by rising temperatures and changing weather patterns. While we absolutely must work to reduce our carbon footprint in the hopes that we can mitigate and reduce the damage, we must also begin to act seriously towards building resilience.

Climate change costs us the money it takes to rebuild from catastrophic events, it costs us increased respiratory issues, and it costs people their lives. Heat kills people who

don't have access to or can't afford to constantly run their air conditioning, it kills people who are homeless, and it kills people whose jobs require them to be outdoors, like those who pick the food we eat or fight the increasingly violent wildfires.

There are ways to decrease urban heat through things like light-colored and reflective surfaces, which should absolutely be explored. But measures to increase resilience can also reduce greenhouse gas emissions and create a positive cycle of change, if we are willing to invest in them. These are the measures on which we should focus most of our energy and resources.

Minneapolis could reduce the cost burden of climate change while also reducing the city's carbon footprint by investing in a program of weatherization and efficiency upgrades to the existing housing stock. Such a program would best be implemented in designated areas, perhaps a block at a time, with the program recruiting prop-

erty owners as opposed to the more common method of forcing participants to apply. This way the city could focus resources on less affluent neighborhoods and neighborhoods with greater populations of Black, Indigenous, and other people of color (BIPOC) in order to encourage more equitable access. Focusing on specific locations could also have the economic benefit of maximizing efficiency of resources such as skilled laborers.

Another way to pursue resilience while also reducing carbon in the atmosphere is through urban greening, an extreme example of which is the installation of Miyawaki forests. These are small urban forests where native species, mostly trees, are planted close together in specially prepared soil, which makes them grow tall more quickly in search of the best light. While these offer some carbon sequestration, the main benefit to these mini-forests is in urban cooling, providing habitat for species that are under threat, such as pollinators, and reduction of air pollution which would improve the health of many of our city's residents. The dense nature of these forests means that they would not serve residents recreationally, but their environmental benefits are significant. Whether the city pursues Miyawaki forests specifically or just an increase in urban greening, this should once again focus on economically disadvantaged and BIPOC neighborhoods. Studies from many cities have pointed to average temperatures being significantly higher in these types of neighborhoods due to less vegetation and tree cover than more affluent, whiter neighborhoods.

We also need to tackle our homelessness problem. We are still seeing encampments spring



up here, there, and everywhere, only to be torn down at some point, and then pop up somewhere else. This is traumatizing and dehumanizing to our homeless neighbors; it also puts their lives in danger. Homelessness has always been incredibly dangerous, but the risks involved are getting worse. From the pandemic to the severe weather that comes with climate change, more people will die if we maintain our business-as-usual approach. We must invest in housing that is separated from "the market" so that people who have no income or low incomes have some semblance of safety and dignity, we must improve our

mental health resources, and we must get over our puritanical and judgmental zero-tolerance policies towards the health crisis that is addiction.

But these policies will cost money, and if there's one thing we know, it's that we can't raise taxes on the rich. Never mind that these fortunes would not be possible without the roads, fuel subsidies, and stability funded by our tax dollars. Never mind that the rich and the super-rich contribute far more to climate change through private jet travel and mega-yachts. Americans don't have any right to expect them to pay their fair share to support spending on something so frivolous as our very survival. Sure, people who can't afford to run the air conditioning all summer long, if they even have access to air conditioning, are more likely to die as heat waves become more common and last longer; but at least we know Jeff Bezos, the Koch brothers, and Elon Musk will be okay.

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# Saving the Earth

BY TRISH STACHELSKI

On July 15, I attended the Women for the River's Rally at Shell River Campground in Shell City in Wadena County, Minn., where Winona LaDuke and her organization Honor the Earth have been camped since the beginning of summer. All people were invited to participate in a peaceful rally/ceremony at the campsite to stop the Canadian multinational company Enbridge from continuing construction of the Line 3 pipeline. Enbridge wants the pipeline to go under the Shell River and potentially cross the river five times. The company has already cut down miles of forest in preparation for laying the pipeline. Much has been written about the dangers of the tar sands pollution and the risk it poses. We already have evidence of the effect of the pipeline spills; we already know they leak. Even more egregious, the pipeline was approved without the Army Corps of Engineers doing a proper environmental impact statement (stopline3.org).

I saw the meandering, pristine Shell River where endangered mussels still live. Due to the drought, the water level is low, but it is clear. I listened to the speakers from the many camps set up by Anishinaabe Water Protectors. I saw the youth on horseback ride through the river and the canoeists paddle to the rally/ceremony on the bank of the river. I heard the drums and songs of the Anishinaabe. I saw the police officers positioned on the easement. It was a peaceful protest. That day, five water protectors were arrested for trespassing on Enbridge property.

In the pamphlet written by Winona LaDuke, "Welcome to the 1855 Treaty Territory," LaDuke summarizes the threat of the pipeline: "The proposed Line 3 crosses eight major rivers more than once which include the total of 67 watersheds: creeks, streams and wild rice watersheds in the 1855 Treaty territory - from the Clearwater to the Mississippi putting wild rice, fish, clams and life at risk ..."

In addition to polluting our drinking water and destroying forestland and animal life, the pipelines threaten the waterways where wild rice grows. Wild rice is an important part of the Anishinaabe culture and economy. In 1999, the U.S. government reaffirmed the treaty rights for gathering wild rice: "Treaty resource agreements have been negotiated with Michigan, Wisconsin, and Minnesota after federal court orders which recognized the off-reservation treaty right of the Anishinaabe, most recently the 1999 Mille Lacs decision." (1885 TreatyAuthority.org as quoted by Winona LaDuke in "Welcome to the 1855 Treaty Territory.")

The Anishinaabe are fighting for the protection of the water and the land. This is all our fight. We need to honor the treaties and listen to the Anishinaabe. It would be a first step towards saving the Earth.



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# Vote No!

BY ED FELIEN

Before there was a city of Minneapolis, there was the town of St. Anthony on the east bank of the Mississippi. Its Main Street was bustling with a thriving lumber trade. In 1861 when they incorporated, they looked at the federal system of government in Washington, D.C. and the parliamentary systems in Europe. They decided the parliamentary system was more democratic. They agreed with the sentiment that Winston Churchill would enunciate in the next century: "Many forms of Government have been tried, and will be tried in this world of sin and woe. No one pretends that democracy is perfect or all-wise. Indeed it has been said that democracy is the worst form of Government except for all those other forms that have been tried from time to time."

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done. Another example: this year, an encampment of people experiencing homelessness moved onto land in Seward owned by an Ethiopian church. Cam clearly articulated that he wanted a peaceful resolution. He brought people together – neighbors, advocates for unsheltered people, city staff, the owners of the Ethiopian church, and the head of the American Indian Community Development Corporation (AICDC). This culminated in this encampment being closed without violence, without law enforcement, and with most of the people in it finding housing or shelter. This proven, effective ap-

Under their system, the party that won the election organized and ran the government. There were three council members elected from each ward for two-year terms. The mayor was a symbolic head of government with ribbon-cutting duties similar to the Queen of England. Unfortunately, the election of a mayor was a critical flaw in this design, and it eventually doomed the democratic experiment. The argument that eventually prevailed was that the mayor was elected city-wide, and, therefore, should be given more respect and more power than mere council members elected from a single ward. By 1887 St. Anthony was incorporated into the City of Minneapolis, and representation was reduced from three to two council members from each ward. In the 1950s that number was reduced further, to one council member.

proach is why Cam has been at the forefront of so much progressive public policy. On public safety, Cam was the first to call for fixing our Charter, and that idea grew into the movement to create a new Department of Public Safety that will be on the ballot this fall. Right now, he's working to bring back real civilian oversight of police. On housing, Cam has authored many of the ordinances that are allowing new approaches like tiny home villages, single room occupancy, intentional communities. He led the fight to put rent stabilization on the ballot, and it will be on the ballot this fall. On social and racial justice, Cam helped lead the fight for our \$15 minimum wage, safe

Don Fraser, that paragon of liberal virtue, one of 20 Congresspeople to vote against funding the House Un-American Activities Committee, was mayor of Minneapolis from 1980 to 1994. He effectively canceled more elections than the sum total of all Latin American dictators in the 20th century. He convinced voters it would be much more efficient for the mayor and the council members to be elected to four-year terms. He also transformed the structures of decision-making at city hall by creating an Executive Committee, so the mayor could sit in on appointing heads of departments. The current proposed Charter amendment concludes the transfer of absolute authority to the mayor and allows him or her to appoint all department heads and administer those departments. The present system has been

and sick time, protections for the most vulnerable workers in our economy, and authored the first resolutions that ever called out institutional racism and genocide against Native people in Minneapolis. Cam has led the Council's work to fight climate change, by getting the Council to declare a climate emergency, pushing for municipal energy, passing Energy Disclosure, getting the city to oppose Line 3 and Keystone XL, and much more. He was the first Council Member, and the first candidate in this race, to call for a Green New Deal for Minneapolis. This is Cam's track record, and what we can expect in the future. Please join me in supporting Cam Gordon's reelection to represent Ward 2 in Minneapolis.

criticized as chaotic with thirteen council members running every department. But, of course, that's not how it works. Each department head reports to a city council committee. If a council member wants a stop sign installed or an amendment to the civil rights code, then the council member takes that request to the appropriate city council committee; the committee votes on it and brings the request to the full city council. It's very open, very democratic. Further concentrating power and decision-making in the hands of the mayor will mean the mayor will initiate those decisions on his own and the process will be less open to public discussion. Historically, and under the current system, the mayor is responsible for the administra-

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is this simple, glaring fact: in a city with a system that prioritizes a strong City Council over a weak mayoral system, the City Council punted responsibility to a police department plagued with racist cops, looking to utilize military weapons and tactics to terrorize our community. Robin Wonsley Worlobah has a plan for Longfellow. It includes equitable, affordable housing, fully funded equitable education, a real public safety plan for all, strengthening workers' rights, ending our city's involvement with ICE and CBP. Robin is for ending the free ride that private institutions and Fortune 500 companies have had in our city, and for the funding of a just social safety net. Cam's successes are well documented and very well appreciated, but his failure to deal with our police depart-

tion of the police department. The other proposed amendment to the Charter calls for introducing another layer of accountability between elected officials and the chief of police with the appointment of a police commissioner. Last year the world watched a Minneapolis police officer kill George Floyd. It was heartlessly cruel and it cried out for justice. Very well-meaning reformers came up with this plan as a way to hold police more accountable. In my opinion, this change would blur further the lines of accountability and make it even more difficult for the Minneapolis Police Department to discipline rogue officers. For that reason, we are urging voters to vote no on both amendments.

ment, housing issues, and equity in our community render his accomplishments into the furthest recesses of my mind. His lack of leadership as Downtown Longfellow tries to move forward is glaringly obvious. None of what is being built, or rebuilt, is moving our neighborhood forward or adhering to the 2040 Plan. We need to look forward, not back. We need someone who can meet this moment and not rest on past achievements. We needed more from Cam Gordon, and his desire to seek the Democratic Socialists of America endorsement is just one more indication of someone trying to be all things to all people. Now, we need Cam Gordon to see this: it is time for Cam Gordon to read the room and see that Robin Wonsley Worlobah is the best person, for this moment, for the future of Longfellow. Robin is for ALL of Us. Robin is for Minneapolis.



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duplication or waste, or look for a genuine reformer. There is no interest in anything resembling reform and no appetite for taking on the police union. Once – in 1979 – they were desperate enough to attempt a real solution to police reform. They changed mayors. They hired a personnel firm to lead the search, advertised nationally, created a citizens' committee to vet candidates and generally treated the problem for the civic crisis that it was. They spent money – invested time. The press took a deep interest and joined the discussion. And the result? The effort – after winnow-

ing the obvious idiots – led to the attraction of 14 genuinely qualified executives from all over the country. Reform is an exacting master. However it played out, it is the effort that demands understanding. And today? "Jo, Jo, Jo," as we say in Spain. An uninterested Mayor, a posturing Council desperate to evade genuine engagement, and a Chief determined to work with a union whose main objective is to protect thumpers. That, folks, is the formula in play. "If wishes were horses then beggars would ride." Puck had it right – mortals are fools. You want to be rich? Buy a lottery ticket.

You want to be smart? Watch TV and read comic books. You want to be thin? Subscribe to the blandishments of your idiot box. You want to be beautiful or handsome? Buy the products that answer your prayers. Life is simple. Forget hard work and hard study. That's for schmucks. Change the Charter. That's the answer. When I was young and dating – a century ago – I squired talented women who frequently concluded with, "I've had a wonderful evening" – pause – "but this wasn't it." This reform – although reforms are desperately needed – isn't it either.



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

### Call it murder

The Catholic Agitator of June 2021, a monthly newsletter, carried an article by the journalist Chris Hedges, entitled "The Age of Social Murder" which should be required reading for all of us. He defines the murderer's weapon as global warming, seldom defined or recognized as such.

Each of the last four decades have been hotter than the last. The UN International Panel on

Climate Change cited we are already at 1.2 degrees Celsius temperature (2.16 degrees Fahrenheit) above preindustrial levels. Anything above a temperature rise of 1.5 degrees Celsius will render much of the earth uninhabitable.

The Arctic ice along with the Greenland ice sheet are now expected to melt regardless of how much we reduce carbon emissions. A 23-foot rise in sea level, which is what will happen when the ice is gone, means every town and city on a coast at sea level will have to be evacuated. As the climate crisis worsens, the political constructions will tighten, making public resistance difficult. The ruling elites, despite the accelerating and tangible ecological collapse, mollify us, either by meaningless gestures

or denial. They are responsible, and this can and should be deemed murder. Since no one sees the murder, it is too often ignored. However, it is murder.

What is occurring is not neglect. It is not ineptitude. It is murder because it is premeditated. It is murder because a conscious choice was made by the global ruling classes to extinguish life rather than protect it. It is murder because profit – despite hard statistics, the growing climate disruption and scientific modeling – is deemed more important than human dignity and human life.

The massive resources allocated to the military and Veterans Administration come to \$826 billion annually and are the most glaring examples of suicidal folly. The war machine does absolutely nothing



to mitigate the human suffering caused by degraded environments that sicken and poison us.

The evil that makes all this happen is collective. It is perpetuated by technocrats and bureaucrats who collect, store and manipulate human data. They grease the wheels for Goldman Sachs, Exxon Mobil and BP. They write the laws passed by the bought-and-paid-for political class. They enforce the law. They are the

corporate advisors. They pilot the aerial drones that terrorize the poor in Afghanistan, Iran, Pakistan and Syria. They profit from the endless wars. They run the banks. They deny food stamps and medical coverage and unemployment benefits. They carry out evictions.

These systems managers made genocides possible – from the extermination of Native Americans to the Turkish slaughter of the Armenians to the Nazi Holocaust. Why do we not resist? We are all complicit. We are overcome, paralyzed by the overwhelming megamachine. Failing to act means giving in to cynicism and despair. To exert moral autonomy is to refuse to cooperate, to wreck the megamachine. Rebellion is its own justification. It must be embraced.

# The cops started it

BY DEVIN HOGAN  
MINNEAPOLIS DFL CHAIR

Filing for office in even-numbered years usually opens the Tuesday after Memorial Day. Per Minneapolis DFL tradition, the 2020 endorsed school board candidates met on that first Tuesday – May 26 – to file for office together, take pictures, and send out a press release.

It was the end of the first quarter of the pandemic. The presidential primary was over. Emergency remote school was almost done. Still no live sports on TV – at all – worldwide. Masks were becoming required in public spaces, including the Minneapolis elections office on East Hennepin Avenue.

As the candidates arrived one by one that Tuesday morning, each came to me sick with despair and grief. All four were on the phones all night long with constituents and community. The Minneapolis police had killed someone again. It was bad. Grotesquely bad. There was a video. A Roosevelt student recorded it. It happened at 38th and Chicago.

That last part hurt. It was unsettling. Things were loaded. I thought of Jamar Clark, Philando Castile, Justine Diamond. I thought about the cycles of anger and outrage each of those murders generated. Actions and reactions. Repercussions compounding over the years.

The candidates went in and filed their paperwork to be on

the ballot. I took a picture of the group but didn't post it as planned. We drove to the Stone Arch Bridge in a line, carefully weaving through the new slow street barricades. After taking some literature photos there was a sense of urgency to get back to the task at hand. A few left straight for 38th and Chicago. I went home to my apartment on Nicollet Avenue, two blocks from the Fifth Precinct.

The scale of the situation started to become clear. Anger and anguish. The fallout might consume every atom of energy in Minneapolis for at least the next several days, maybe even a week or more.

As party chair I often think, What Would an Elected Official Do? People are going to be devastated, heated and grieving. Per usual. To me, the only way to even try to keep things on the rails meant showing up on the streets, getting spit on and sworn at by constituents whose friends, family and neighbors were killed by public employees. Accepting responsibility for the role, genuinely listening and showing humility – and meaning it – could go a long way.

Then the call went out to hold space at 38th and Chicago. The streets filled with people, radiating out for miles in every cardinal direction from the square. The mayor took this opportunity to make his first public statement on CNN. From the lens of anti-racism and decolonization, and by generally paying attention to how people perceive and react,

things unfolded in unsurprising ways.

At the Fourth Precinct in 2015, it took four days of occupation and several orders to disperse late in the evening before the MPD started teargassing people. In 2020, the MPD started shooting "less lethals" at the angry teenagers and other crowds who had gathered at the Third Precinct on the first afternoon. It was unprovoked and at random. Our Boys in Blue were showing off.

The youth of Minneapolis have grown up seeing the police murder people who look like them without consequences. They are out of f\*\*ks to give. Deliberately antagonizing them was a cruel excuse to give an opportunity to knock heads. Everything that followed was a proportional response.

More protesters gathered at the Third Precinct, incensed by the raw provocation. The indiscriminate shooting increased. People threw garbage cans at squad cars. The mayor called it "blowing off steam." More showed up as the days went on. The "less lethals" became nonstop. People hid behind bus shelters and moved dumpsters into the street to protect themselves from the unpredictable violence, sometimes setting them alight.

The Target across the street wouldn't let protesters into the store to purchase posterboard and markers to make signs. It got looted. Brand new flatscreen TVs and other detritus were used to build more

barricades.

At this point the world was paying attention. Friends and family were reaching out. How come words won't satiate people? Why Minneapolis? The cops started it, I replied. They killed George Floyd and took every opportunity to escalate, agitate and make things worse. The cops are rioting and the people are responding.

Like it or not, setting the Third Precinct on fire was a genuine revolutionary moment. An act of pure righteousness to open new worlds of understanding. The people declared themselves ungovernable and unilaterally took their power back. The largest international human rights movement in modern history had begun. The youth of Minneapolis carried all of this. The cops started it.

It is important to maintain this basic perspective while we live through the consequences. Things will continue to play out in understandable ways.

The call from the streets was genuine liberation, truly and finally. The work continues until that day comes. The enemies of this agenda, the powers that hold up white supremacy, are organized. They will no longer tolerate the great embarrassment of having lost control. They want the people to forget what it felt like to seize their power back.

Recognize the patterns. Counterinsurgency and genuine conspiracy used to diffuse movements. Manufacturing consent in the media by acti-



vating lizard brain emotions that distract from the issues. The constant surveillance, hyper-militarization and macho bullshit to give the exurbs a sense of pathetic comfort – it's all connected. It's meant to burn you out.

Keep focus. Eyes on the prize. Remember the demand of the streets. The blood and treasure spent. This is our job. Minneapolis must answer the call. For real this time. For real for real. Do it for the kids.

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Southside Pride received this Letter to the Editor in response to Devin Hogan's "The Cops Started It," first published in our August 9 Nokomis edition:

Where did you pieces of garbage come from? The burning of a police station is a horrible thing and you morons think it great. Crawl back under your rock.

– William Robinson

### Devin Hogan responded:

The truth hurts. Accurately describing reality is not a call to arms. Explaining the conditions of violent repression with the reasons why and how people react to that oppression is not condoning violence.

EVENTS

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‘Angels Unawares’

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The “Angels Unawares” sculpture by Canadian artist Timothy Schmalz depicts more than 140 refugees. The 3.5-ton, 20-foot-long sculpture, is a gift to The Catholic University of America and currently on a national tour. Through this pilgrimage, people across the country have the opportunity to share in its message of welcome and hope. This powerful sculpture will be on display in front of The Basilica of Saint Mary during the month of August. Everyone is invited to explore this amazing work, related exhibits, and join in prayer throughout the month. The work depicts migrants and refugees from all cultural and racial backgrounds and from all historic periods of time together – shoulder to shoulder on a raft or boat. Within this diverse crowd of people, angel wings are visible in the center, suggesting that within the migrant and refugee is the sacred. The inspiration for the work arises from Hebrews 13:2: “Be welcoming to strangers, many have entertained angels unawares.”

Sunday Docent Tours – Aug. 22 and Aug. 29 following the 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. Basilica Masses.

Thursday, Aug. 26 at 5:30 p.m. – Angels Unawares Closing Ceremony at Basilica Plaza.

Learn more about “Angels Unawares,” including partnering organizations, its national tour, advocate resources, the Green Card Voices exhibit, and understanding migration here: <https://www.mary.org/who-we-are/art/angels-unawares#.YQGHSLqSk2x>.

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Online

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4401 York Ave. S., Mpls.

Minneapolis Friends Meeting is enjoying summer, and continuing to join in silent worship together, via Zoom.

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Other Meeting activities will resume in the Fall. Office email: [office@minneapolisfriends.org](mailto:office@minneapolisfriends.org).

[www.minneapolisfriends.org](http://www.minneapolisfriends.org)

Bahá’i Center of Minneapolis

3644 Chicago Ave., Mpls.

Devotions at the Bahá’i Center and via Zoom, Sundays at 10 a.m., and Tuesdays via Zoom at 6:30 p.m. Please visit the Bahá’i community of Minneapolis website at [www.minneapolisbahai.org/](http://www.minneapolisbahai.org/). Here you will find information about upcoming and past Holy Day celebrations, as well as news, announcements and information.

Calvary Lutheran Church

3901 Chicago Ave. S., Mpls.

Sunday Worship at 10 a.m. See our website at [www.clchurch.org](http://www.clchurch.org) for more information.

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. Front door entry preferred. Weekday Masses M, T, TH, F at 8:15 a.m. in the Chapel, east door and elevator entry. Please see our website at [www.saintalbertthegreat.org/](http://www.saintalbertthegreat.org/) for more details. Sunday 9:30 a.m. Mass also streamed on our Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/StAlbertTheGreatMpls/](https://www.facebook.com/StAlbertTheGreatMpls/).

Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church

3430 E. 51st St., Mpls.

[www.faithlutheranmpls.org](http://www.faithlutheranmpls.org)

Sunday Worship (with safety measures in place) at 9 a.m. 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/](https://www.facebook.com/felcmpls/). Bible classes on Sundays at 10:15 a.m. and Wednesdays at 10 a.m. NA groups Wednesdays 7:30 p.m.

First Free Church

5150 Chicago Ave. S., Mpls.

Sunday services at 10 a.m. (in person and online).

Visit our website at [www.first-freechurch.org](http://www.first-freechurch.org) for more information.

Holy Cross Lutheran Church, LCMS

1720 E. Minnehaha Pkwy., Mpls.

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Living Spirit United Methodist Church

4501 Bloomington Ave., Mpls.

Worship In-Person or Online at 10:30 a.m. Sundays

Online: [livingspiritumc.org/live](http://livingspiritumc.org/live).

Messiah Lutheran Church

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[www.messiahlutheranmpls.org](http://www.messiahlutheranmpls.org)

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Minnehaha Communion Lutheran Church

4101 37th Ave. S., Mpls.

<https://minnehahacommunion.org/>.

Sunday Worship at 9:45 a.m.

Go to church website for live and online info.

New Creation Baptist Church

1414 E. 48th St., Mpls.

Sunday Worship in person at 10:45 a.m. and also on Facebook: [www.facebook.com/NewCreationBaptistChurch/](https://www.facebook.com/NewCreationBaptistChurch/)

<https://newcreationbaptistchurchmn.org/>

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5300 10th Ave. S., Mpls.

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Riverside & 22nd Aves., Mpls.

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[www.trinitylutherancongregation.org](http://www.trinitylutherancongregation.org)

Bethany Lutheran Church

2511 E. Franklin Ave., Mpls.

612-332-2397

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[www.bethanyinseward.org/](http://www.bethanyinseward.org/)

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1414 E. 48<sup>th</sup> St., Mpls.

612-825-6933

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612-827-2504, ext. 205

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Minnehaha United Methodist Church

3701 E. 50<sup>th</sup> St., Mpls.

612-721-6231

Yes, the food shelf is still open! In order to fight food insecurity in our neighborhood, the Minnehaha Food Shelf is 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/MinnehahaFood-Shelf/](https://www.facebook.com/MinnehahaFood-Shelf/)

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# CELEBRATE SUMMER ON GRAND AVE.

## Grand Avenue – re-emerging from chaos of first COVID year

BY DEBRA KEEFER RAMAGE

Grand Avenue is not like most of the other major thoroughfares we write about. It's the only one with two esteemed liberal arts universi-

ties on it. Which may explain why it has no less than three independent bookstores on it as well. Also, although in terms of wealth and clout, Grand Avenue sits in the shadow of the much grand-

er Summit Avenue to its north, the neighborhood it's a part of is called Summit Hill. But not everyone in the neighborhood knows that, apparently. I was amused by a furious commenter on the story I will get into later about a proposed development on Grand. The nearby resident had been infuriated to have read a previous comment, signed by a member of the Summit Hill Association board. How dare a resident of Summit Hill have an opinion on this issue! he raged, unaware that he himself lived in Summit Hill and that the board in question represented him as well.

Starting at the western end of Grand Avenue, St. Thomas University's main campus also has a riverfront. Like, I assume, most respectable universities (sad that one has to make that distinction these days) they have grappled with how 2021 can counter the missed classes and other uncertainties of 2020, now that there's a vaccine, but also a Delta variant. Back in June, they were saying that they would not require a vaccine for students or staff, but would incentivize them,

with tuition cuts, gift cards, extra time off for staff, etc. and make it easy, by having an efficient, free vaccine site on campus. They also said two things that were portentous in hindsight. They would require everyone to disclose their vaccine status confidentially, and they would reserve the right to

nues, is Macalester College. Bigger and more famous than St. Thomas, Macalester was founded on a very small scale in the 19th century with a view to becoming an Ivy League-type institution in the Midwest (a goal it has pretty much attained). Originally endowed by the Presbyterian Church, it has



Owner of Next Chapter Booksellers, Nicholas Ballas



Khyber Pass Café

change the policy if it looked necessary. Recently it looked necessary, so now they are requiring vaccines to return to campus.

A bit east, with its northeastern corner of campus at Summit and Snelling Ave-

been secular in nature from the first, but strongly committed to internationalism and liberal values. Still, obviously that did not make it any more immune to COVID than the most hard-scrabble small business on Grand Avenue. Macalester instituted a vaccine requirement earlier, in mid-June. Like St. Thomas and most other universities, they currently are planning to have on-campus living and in-person classes for the most part when school re-opens in September. On Aug. 5, their mask policy was updated to apply to vaccinated people indoors.

Another industry besides education that has been hit badly by COVID is performances. Movie theaters, as

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Grand, from page 7

well as live theater, concert venues, and others, were of course shuttered for long periods. The beautiful historic Grandview is a Mann Theatre these days, and it is open once again. Can't say for how long, obviously.

Personally, there was one "industry" that I missed ter-

that most dentists add to your check-in procedure now, give me pause:

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ger in the air for a long time, allowing transmission of the COVID-19 virus to those nearby."

I guess you have to be desperate for treatment, and be a bit of a gambler. (I am not!) But yes, it's great to know there are dentists out there, taking an even greater risk (see Probability 101) than their patients, for those that can't wait. Check out Grand Avenue Dental if you're not reassured by your present dentist, or don't have one, and need to see one. Particularly check out the page under COVID-19 Precautions. They're basically treating a dental appointment like an invasive operation (which it sort of is) and sanitizing everything, even the invisible air, between patients. That is reassuring.

So what about those three independent bookstores? Well, they could hardly be more different. We'll start with Next Chapter Booksellers, both because it sits adjacent to the Macalester campus and because it's the largest independent bookstore in the state. Next Chap-



Against the Current

ter has been in this space near the corner of Snelling and Grand Avenues since 2019, when it bought out Common Good Books. They sell new and best-seller titles, plus audiobooks, stationery, journals and sketchbooks, and book-lover paraphernalia. They sold online exclusively for many months, and now offer seven day a week in-store browsing, curbside pickup or limited free delivery with online orders, or if outside the delivery area, USPS media mail shipping, which is free on orders over \$50.

Next Chapter also has lots of author and book events such as launches, readings and book signings. These too were virtual for a while, but in-person events are coming back for now. Another bookstore, Red Balloon Bookshop, also has events now. (Both of these large modern bookstores have excellent websites where you can check their calendar or sign up for an email newsletter.) Red Balloon specializes in new and best-selling titles of chil-

dren's and young adult books. They also sell related products such as toys and art supplies.

Against the Current buys and sells used books, including rare books and collectible volumes, as well as good used book bargains. Against



Shish Mediterranean Kitchen

the Current only started from scratch in 2017 (i.e., not taking over an existing book business) and was just hitting its stride when COVID



Wet Paint

ribly during the pandemic and am still missing. Even though I'm vaccinated, these words, from a liability waiver

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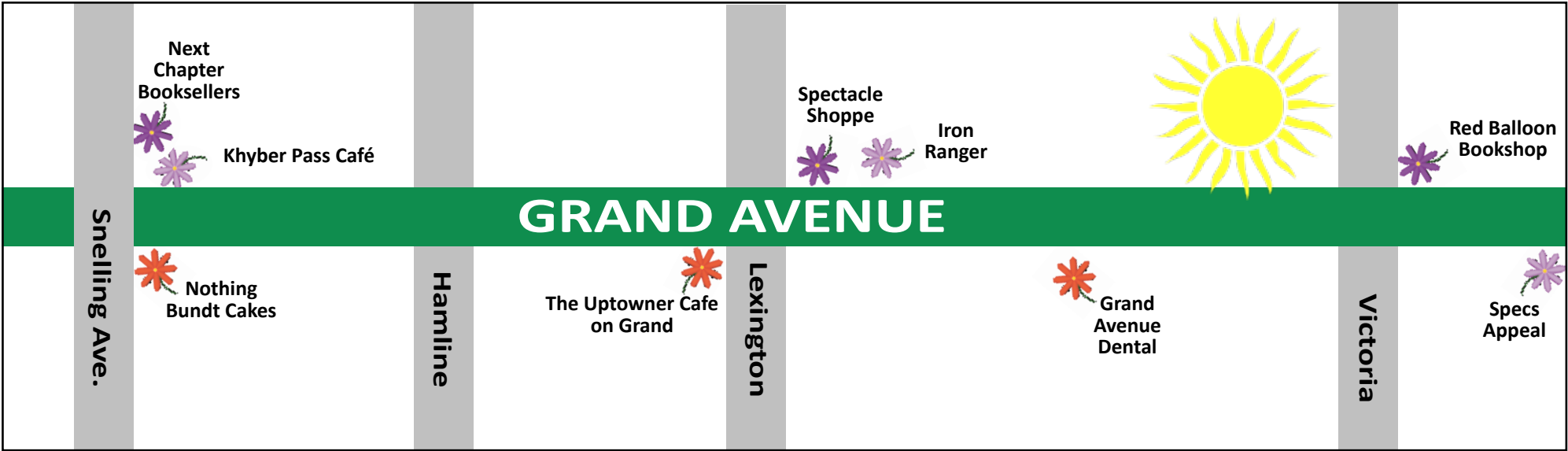
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hit. A one-man operation run by founder Hal Johnson, the store was unfortunately closed temporarily for what turned out to be at least a year. (It's reopening in slow stages, so it's hard to say exactly when.) Nowadays, Hal is in his (closed) shop most weekdays, getting the inventory in order for a more full reopening. He is open for real on Saturdays, and will probably let you in to browse if you happen to catch him there on other days. You can also contact him by phone or email to inquire about books and make an appointment to pick them up. (There is a website with contact details but no online ordering.) He is planning to go to five days a week soon and for the foreseeable future.



Yet another reason Grand Avenue is so fun, somewhat in the same vein, is the amazing art supply store Wet Paint. I visited that shop a few years ago in my explorations for Grand Avenue, and it is a peak shopping experience. If you have a creative bone in your body, chances are it will inspire you to take on some new project and make something.

A shop on Grand Avenue that I visited some years ago is a great one for DIY home decorators. It's also a go-to supplier for professional home improvement contractors doing walls or flooring. This is Abbott Paint and Carpet, where I was sent by my

handyman to choose colors, back in 2013. This venerable business has been there for 76 years. Its founder passed away in 2016 and it's now run by his four sons.

Before we finish up with some quick restaurant lists, if you like Dixie's on Grand, or have not been and want to try it out someday, you should go soon, because it won't be there much longer. The owner, Peter Kenefick, who is also the proprietor of Emmett's Public House and the landlord to Saji-Ya, all on the same site, is the owner of the underlying land. Kenefick worked with Minneapolis-based developer Reuter Walton to replace the three restaurants and large parking lot with a five-story apartment building which challenges the current height limitations on Grand. The new 695 (Grand) building would also house four restaurants, including Emmett's Pub, Saji-Ya, possibly an iteration of Dixie's with a new name, and a currently unidentified restaurant.

There is extensive resistance and outrage from the

community with opposition percentages reportedly 10-to-1 against this specific plan. A detailed list of critical concerns can be found (at <https://abetterway-stp.com/> and <https://abetterway-stp.com/abetter-way-video/>) along with a video of the current proposal that includes an alternative design which would better serve environmental, community, and architectural values, and render the requested variances unnecessary.

The St. Paul City Council was scheduled to make its decision to approve or disapprove the current plan at its meeting on Aug. 11. However, the process was extended for one week, until Aug. 18, to allow council members more time to do a thorough review of project documents.

Some restaurants on Grand Avenue I want to try: Shish (Middle Eastern) and Everest on Grand (Tibetan, Nepali and Northern Indian). And I would quite like to revisit Davanni's Pizza. We used to have Democratic Socialists of America socials there, back in




Red Balloon Bookshop

a simpler time.

Let us finish up with Khyber Pass Café, a venerable restaurant that has been in business more than 35 years, and survived COVID, although it was touch and go for a while, like so many. It is owned and run by Emel and Masooda Sherzad, a couple who were both immigrants from Afghanistan but met here. The restaurant

serves Afghan cuisine, similar to but different from the cuisine of its neighbors to the south, Pakistan and India. Given that I have a sister who is an Afghan-theater veteran, and raves (positively) about the people, food and culture, I am disappointed with myself that I've never been there yet, but mean to remedy that soon.



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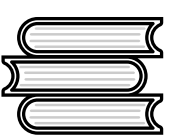
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# The Dish 2.0 – restaurant news and two mini-reviews

BY DEBRA KEEFER RAMAGE

## Dining rooms reopened and indoor café returns

The Seward branch of Piz-za Lucé has opened its dining room. Quite a few other Lucés have been open for indoor and patio dining for a while now. But this one doesn't have a patio, so that may have been why it took a while.

The May Day Cafe is open for indoor dining as of July 30! I am craving their almond croissants, the second best I ever had, and I have had them in London, Paris and Vienna, so that's a pretty high bar. The May Day Cafe, near Powderhorn Park, has been open for takeout-only for some months. They closed down for much of July for a "reset." Prominent local artist-photographer Gay-



## May Day Cafe before 2020

la Ellis will once more have photocards on sale there, and also a photo poster exhibit.

## Openings

I saw that one of my Facebook friends had a meal at Owamni! It was not open to the general public at that time, but they recently had an invitation-only soft opening/preview for select backers. However, now Owamni is open. You need to make reservations. I am doing it right now. Here is the coverage by the Star Tribune from Thursday, July 22:

"Sean Sherman and Dana Thompson of The Sioux Chef have been waiting a long time for this moment. 'We signed on to this project way back in 2016 and it's taken quite a few years building to this point where we're actually open to the public,' said Sherman, CEO and founder of The Sioux Chef. Their Indigenous restaurant 'Owamni by The Sioux Chef' opened Monday [July 19] in the new Water Works Pavilion building at Mill Ruins Park in Minneapolis."

The opening itself is kind of old news now, but since I haven't managed a visit, I'll say that another friend of mine went to Soul to Soul Smokehouse in the old Taco Cat space of Midtown Global Market and gave it a rave review, with particular praise for the grilled corn on the cob side. I think

this is still the newest eating spot in MGM, but I could be wrong. I tried to visit and check it out but when I went to MGM at lunch time it was closed. So I had a Manny's Torta instead. It was delicious.

From the Minneapolis/St. Paul Business Journal, we learned of a new coffee shop in downtown. St. Paul's Vitality Roasting has opened a skyway cafe in Minneapolis, in the Six Quebec building.

## Hospitality industry news and food politics

I came across this piece in "The Week," a weekly news aggregation magazine. Since contactless payment systems, delivery methods, ordering methods and even virtual menus were deemed vital to restaurant recovery from the pandemic, I thought it was germane to share it here. Since we now know physical contact isn't a major vector of spread for COVID, is there any reason to keep these awkward and unloved new substitutes for service? (theweek.com/business/1002085/most-contactless-service-is-awful-you-can-tell-because-the-rich-dont-do-it)

A joint study by the Guardian U.K. newspaper and the global nonprofit Food and Water Watch attempts to discover and reveal just how monopolistic the U.S. grocery market (and by extension, restaurants, since most of them get their ingredients from the same wholesale sources) is. (www.theguardian.com/environment/ng-interactive/2021/jul/14/food-monopoly-meals-profits-data-investigation) How can you avoid supporting and perpetuating this? In descending order of helpfulness: grow, cook, freeze, can and pickle your own; buy directly from farmers or via a CSA subscription; buy from farmers' markets; seek out small local producers in your grocery store or co-op; patronize restaurants that do more than merely performative buying of local and small producer foods. Now is the time of the advocacy chef and the activist restaurateur.

## Mini-review #1 – Tiny Diner for a healthy shared meal

I met my friend CJ for dinner at Tiny Diner. We had to do a little strategizing to get all our dissonant dietary needs met, but I think we ended up with a win. CJ follows a diet characterized by low carbs, zero grains, most of his protein from fish or seafood, and most of his sugars from fresh

fruit and red wine. He also restricts calories in the apparent hope of living forever, and he is poor, so some of his food is

whatever's being given away that day. I am not nearly so restrictive, but I do eschew red meat always and chicken for

the most part, as well as slave chocolate and the huge list of

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### EVENTS

**Minnesota Children's Museum to Require Masks Beginning Aug. 7**  
Minnesota Children's Museum announced that it will again require masks for visitors. Beginning Saturday, Aug. 7, all visitors age 5 and older will be required to wear a mask while at the museum. This applies to both vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals. Masks are strongly encouraged for children ages 2 to 4. The health and safety of visitors, staff and the community are the museum's top priority. Staff closely monitor health guidance from the federal, state, county and city levels. When recommendations recently changed to urge all people – both fully vaccinated and not – to wear masks in public, indoor settings in areas with substantial or high transmission rates, the museum made the decision to reinstate a mask requirement to help slow the spread of Covid-19.  
“We have a responsibility to provide our visitors and staff with a safe and healthy environment,” said Dianne Krizan, president of Minnesota Children's Museum. “With substantial community transmission levels in the Twin Cities metro area and recognizing that kids under the age of 12 are not yet able to get vaccinated, the return of a mask requirement will help us protect our young visitors as we navigate through this phase of the pandemic.”  
Here is an overview of what visitors can expect:  
- Beginning August 7, masks are required for all visitors age 5 and older, whether they are vaccinated or unvaccinated.  
- Masks are strongly encouraged for kids ages 2 to 4.  
- Anyone who is sick or experiencing symptoms of COVID-19 should not come to the museum.

- Reservations are not required to visit, but tickets are available online for those that want to purchase ahead of time.

**‘Water Is Life: Stop Line 3’  
Wednesday, Aug. 18, noon**  
Bayfront Park, Duluth, Minn.  
Bon Iver, Lissie, Hippo Campus, Alan Sparhawk, Charlie Parr, David Huckfelt, Larry Long, Superior Siren and Native Artists Mumu Fresh, Dorene Day Waubanewquay, Corey Medina, Quiltman, Annie Humphrey and others are donating their time to the “Water is Life: Stop Line 3” Honor the Earth Benefit Concert in Duluth at Bayfront Park on Aug. 18 on the shores of the mighty Gichi-Gami (Lake Superior).  
Featuring an unprecedented coalition of musicians, artists, poets and Indigenous leaders, this one-day festival is a celebration of water as the fundamental life-giving resource of Mother Earth, and a full-throttle resistance of music and song against the Line 3 tar sands oil pipeline currently snaking its way through the waterways and Anishinaabe lands of northern Minnesota. All proceeds will benefit the Indigenous women-led Honor the Earth nonprofit in its fight against Enbridge's Line 3 construction in Native treaty Lands during a time of climate crisis and severe drought up north.  
Advance sale general admission tickets \$65 at: <https://bit.ly/waterislife festival>. General admission day-of-show tickets are also \$65.  
More information on schedule, artists, vendors, mission, resources at <https://www.honorearth.org/>.

**Bridgefest @ The Open Eye Patch  
Thursday, Aug. 19, 6 to 8 p.m.**  
**Free outdoor event**  
The Green Patch, across the street from Open Eye Theatre  
506 E. 24th St., Mpls.  
The multi-year highway construction project along the 35W corridor neces-

sitated the removal of the 24th Street pedestrian bridge which carried foot and bicycle traffic over the highway between the Phillips and Whittier neighborhoods. At long last, a new and improved bridge will be opening Thursday, Aug. 19! As the major cultural organization at the east foot of the bridge, Open Eye will be contributing activities to the celebration. Join us for this free event, featuring sounds by DJs Sci-Fi, Worldwide Discotheque, and Mike 2600, sidewalk puppet shows, street sculpture by Southside Battle Train, and more! Info at <https://www.openeyetheatre.org/bridgefest>.

**Sound for Silents 2021: Film + Music on the Walker Hillside  
Thursday, Aug. 19, 8:30 p.m.**  
Walker Art Center  
Wurtele Upper Garden  
725 Vineland Pl., Mpls.  
Join us on the hillside at sunset for Sound for Silents and catch electrifying live music and films on the big screen. It's the perfect summer night out! Now in its fifth year, this summer's program features Minneapolis-based artist/producer FPA, called “an arranger extraordinaire” by the Current. Drawing on works from the Ruben/Bentson Moving Image Collection, FPA will perform her newly commissioned scores for an entrancing evening of music and film. The event begins at 7 p.m. with DJ Yonci Jameson playing tunes until the sun goes down.  
7 p.m. DJ and Food Trucks  
8:30 p.m. Screening and Performance  
Free to attend. More information at <https://walkerart.org/calendar/2021/sound-for-silents-2021-film-music-on-the-walker-hillside>.

**A Mu Family Reunion  
Sunday, Aug. 22, 1 to 4 p.m.**  
56 Brewing  
3055 NE Columbia Ave. Ste. 102, Mpls.  
After a year and a half apart, it's time

for a reunion! Join Theater Mu at 56 Brewing on Sunday, Aug. 22 for a family-friendly, indoor/outdoor fundraising event to reconnect and celebrate the power of our community. Enjoy food from Soul Lao and Wonders Ice Cream while sipping beer, wine, hard seltzer or kombucha on tap. Featuring activities for kids, performances by Kiss the Tiger and DJ Kool Akiem, as well as a silent auction of local Asian American artwork, this reunion promises to make up for all the time spent apart. Theater Mu strives to voice the stories of the Asian American community, and in order to bring performances to those communities whose stories we tell, we are committed to making them as accessible as possible. Pay As You Are pricing asks those who routinely pay the market price to choose to pay that amount, it is the actual fair market value of the ticket. If a patron needs to pay less, they can choose to do so. More info and tickets at <https://www.theatermu.org/reunion>.

**Treaties, Not Tar Sands  
Capitol Action to Stop Line 3  
Wednesday, Aug. 25, 2 p.m.**  
**Minnesota State Capitol**  
As water protectors converge en masse on the Minnesota State Capitol following a two-week march by foot south from White Earth Nation, we must meet them to collectively demand that Gov. Walz immediately cancel Line 3. Join this Capitol action on Wednesday, Aug. 25 starting at 2 p.m. There will also be a parallel action in Washington, D.C., where allies will take the fight directly to President Biden's doorstep. Click the Facebook event to learn more and please spread the word! <https://www.facebook.com/events/148731610704832>

**Foraging for Summer Fruits  
Wednesday, Aug. 25, 6 to 8 p.m.**  
Did you know that many of the fruits

you buy at the store can be picked right in your own neighborhood? Join Maria Wesselerle and Four Season Foraging as we learn about common wild fruits that grow in urban areas, including wild plums, raspberries, cherries and aronia. Wild plums and aronia should (hopefully!) be ripe and ready to harvest. We will also discuss other common wild edibles found along the way. Meet at the intersection of the Midtown Greenway and 27th Ave S. in Minneapolis. Sliding scale \$15-\$35. Pre-registration required. For more details, please email [info@fourseasonforaging.com](mailto:info@fourseasonforaging.com), call 612-440-5958, or visit <https://www.fourseasonforaging.com/events>.

**‘Forgotten Beacons’  
The Artwork of Jayson Randall  
Aug. 26 – Sept. 24**  
University of Minnesota,  
Larson Gallery  
2017 Buford Avenue, #25-A, St. Paul  
Minnesota-based experimental artist Jayson Randall will be having a solo exhibition at the University of Minnesota, Larson Gallery, from Aug. 26 through Sept. 24, 2021. The exhibition will feature many of his interactive electronic sculptures, including the unveiling of a new piece of his unique artwork. Through Randall's brilliant interplay of light and shadow in art, “Forgotten Beacons” illustrates the relationship between the useful and forgotten. Like beacons in the dark, his work expresses how discarded items call out as they are encountered by the viewer. He preserves stories and gives new life to those forgotten, through the use of interactive technology. Industrial materials are combined with interactive electronics as the viewer is engaged to participate in the functionality of the finished work.  
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### Eloise Butler Wildflower Garden and Bird Sanctuary

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#### Early Birders

Thursdays through Aug. 26,  
8:30 to 10 a.m.

Learn to observe and identify birds by sound and sight as you walk through the Garden and Wirth Park with a Garden Naturalist. No registration necessary. Meet at the Garden's front gate at 8:30 a.m.

#### Garden Story Time

Tuesdays through Aug. 24,  
10:30 to 11 a.m.

Join us in the Garden for nature-themed children's stories read aloud by Garden staff. No registration necessary. Meet just outside of the Visitor Shelter at 10:30 a.m. Bring a blanket to sit on or use ours.

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### 2021 Hennepin County Master Gardener Volunteer 'Virtual' Learning Garden Tour

Releases Friday, Sept. 10, 3 p.m.  
(video available for the next year)  
Online

Come along on a Virtual Garden Tour! You are invited to participate in the 2021 Hennepin County Master Gardener Volunteer Learning Garden Tour being held virtually this year. The tour will be released on Friday, Sept. 10 at 3 p.m. CDT, along with a number of other virtual events happening that weekend. Gardening – whether you do it for the beauty, growing your own food, or just like getting your hands in the dirt, it's now a click away with this Virtual Garden tour that will inspire you with new ideas and motivation.

This year the tour will feature four beautiful and unique home gardens of Hennepin County Master Gardener Volunteers along with four focused

educational opportunities that include pruning, planting trees, wise watering practice, and when and how to plant your spring bulbs.

Tickets are \$12. To buy tickets and learn more about the Learning Garden Tour, please visit us at <https://84402.blackbaudhosting.com/84402/2021-Hennepin-County-Master-Gardener-Volunteer-Virtual-Learning-Garden-Tour-10Sep2021>.

### Highpoint Presents: Hot Off the Press On view through Sept. 10

Highpoint Center for Printmaking  
912 W. Lake St., Mpls.  
Highpoint Center for Printmaking presents "Hot off the Press," our 38th semi-annual exhibition featuring prints made by members of Highpoint's artist cooperative. Join us for our first in-person reception in over a year! This event will feature an on-site food truck from our neighbors at World Street Kitchen, a cash bar (wine, beer, and non-alcoholic beverages available), and more as we come together to celebrate this exhibition of new work from our member artists. For this event, we will be transforming Highpoint's classroom into an additional gallery where visitors can peruse (and purchase) many more co-op member prints, all of which are shrink-wrapped and ready to take home. "Hot Off the Press" features recent prints made by 31 members from Highpoint's artist cooperative. These prints vary widely in technique and style but include everything from geometric abstraction to convincing realism. Examples of each of the traditional printmaking techniques: lithography, screenprinting, monotype, relief and intaglio will be available to view and purchase. [www.highpointprintmaking.org](http://www.highpointprintmaking.org)

### Hook & Ladder 5th Anniversary Friday, Sept. 17, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 18, 3 to 10 p.m.

Hook & Ladder Theater  
3010 Minnehaha Ave. S., Mpls.  
The Hook & Ladder Theater is pleased to present a special two-day fall fund-raising event to celebrate our 5th anniversary! It's been a pretty incredible five years and we are proud of our eclectic mix of program activities, concerts and community engagements, with ongoing artist and community/Patreon support. We are inviting EVERYONE to join us over two days of outdoor celebration Under the Canopy with food, drink, music, dance and live performance art from an exciting mix of Minnesota acts. Our fifth anniversary concert on Friday, Sept. 17 features Kiss the Tiger, Black Eyed Snakes, and Superior Siren (doors 6 p.m., music 7 p.m.) Tickets and more info at <https://thehookmpls.com/event/hook-5th-anniversary-concert/>. And join us on Saturday, Sept. 18 for our fifth anniversary festival featuring food trucks, ice cream, and games from 3 p.m., with music at 9 p.m. by Apollo Cobra, Mystery Artist, BondDoesBelly, Siamatazungidi and Drew Peterson. Five bands for \$5! Details and tickets available at <https://thehookmpls.com/event/hook-5th-anniversary-festival/>.

### 'QUITTING TIME at a Place of Endless Time'

Patrick Cabello Hansen and others  
Poetry and music at the historic  
Pioneers and Soldiers Cemetery  
Saturday, Sept. 18, 4 p.m.  
East Lake Street and Cedar Ave., Mpls.  
Patrick Cabello Hansen's second book of poetry, "Quitting Time," is an extended elegy to his father, Walter Hansen. It engages his history from being born into a German-speaking home in rural North Dakota, through the Great Depression, World War II, becoming a barber and

raising a family in Austin, Minn. Patrick retired in 2020 after serving with his wife Luisa for 15 years at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in the Phillips neighborhood of Minneapolis. He is the author of the poetry collection "The Devouring Land" and his work has been published in over 70 journals.

At the event, Patrick will read with prize-winning poets Tim Nolan and Richard Terrill. Live music with Larry McDonough on keyboards and Richard on sax. Books will be available for purchase and signing after the program, and there will be an optional tour of the historic cemetery. You can enter the cemetery on the Cedar Avenue side. Please bring a lawn chair or blanket. We will try to keep you updated on COVID restrictions, but be prepared with a mask just in case. And if you're not vaccinated, please do so! <https://www.artecabellohansel.com>

### Greenway Glow Arts Festival Saturday, Sept. 18, 4 to 10 p.m.

Midtown Greenway  
Join us for the Greenway Glow Arts Festival, the FREE outdoor festival along the Midtown Greenway! The Greenway Glow Arts Festival will feature dozens of local artists. Bike, walk or roll along the Greenway to experience live music, art installations, and theatrical performances. The festival is FREE, but you can support the Midtown Greenway by purchasing a VIP ticket! You'll get:  
- 2 craft beers from Eastlake Craft Brewery (21+) or 2 sodas.  
- Food at the Beer Garden (2619 S. 28th Ave.).  
- \$10 gift card to Lawless Distilling craft cocktail lounge (21+).  
- Glow lights to wear or put on your bike.  
- Door prizes at VIP Check-In (while they last!)  
- Entry into the exclusive VIP prize drawing for bike lights, bike backpacks and more.

A portion of the VIP ticket is tax-deductible. Proceeds will support programs for the Midtown Greenway, including our efforts to extend the trail over the Mississippi River and through St. Paul. The Midtown Greenway Coalition is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization supported by donations. Purchase a VIP ticket here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/greenway-glow-arts-festival-event-information-and-vip-tickets-tickets-161667565039>.

### Pay Gap Festival

Saturday, Sept. 25, 10:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.  
Sunday, Sept. 26, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Minnesota State Fair Grounds,  
West End Market  
1265 Snelling Ave. N., St. Paul  
A festival full of shopping, laughter, and music. There is free entry to shop for unique gifts with local businesses in the marketplace, a variety of food vendors to snack and sip, and you can buy tickets to reserve seats at the stage to enjoy a half or full day of comedy and music entertainment. Tickets to see entertainment include a hybrid option so that you can watch the show livestreaming from home if you can't make it in. This event is produced by Rock What You Got and supports gender equality in the Twin Cities. This event is also supporting the FINNEGANS Community Fund. Bring non-perishable food donations to help keep our local food shelves stocked! Silent Auction to bid on will also be included. Cost: Marketplace FREE, Entertainment Stage Tickets: \$55-\$130. For tickets, exhibitor registration, and more information visit: <https://rock-whatyoutolive.com/paygapfestival/>.

### 'Free the Deeds'

#### Minneapolis Public Art Project

'Free the Deeds,' an artist-driven initiative, is launching a city-wide project this month to build awareness of the history of racial covenants in housing in Minneapolis and to encourage action to repair the harm done by these covenants. Homeowners whose houses have a racial covenant will be encouraged to display a lawn sign in their yards that says "This house had a racial covenant" on one side and "Building equity, one deed at a time" on the other. All Minneapolis residents, whether your home had a racial covenant or not, will have the chance to donate to down payment assistance for households who purchase homes through the African American Community Land Trust (AACL). The AACL is an initiative focused on significantly decreasing the historic racial disparities in the homeownership rate while increasing access to perpetually affordable homeownership in Minneapolis. Check out our website, [freethedeeds.org](http://freethedeeds.org) to learn more about what racial covenants were, how to find out if your home had one, how to discharge it, ways to interact with this history, and how to participate with this city-wide project. [freethedeeds.org](http://freethedeeds.org)

### The Dish, from page 11

foods I have allergic or gut reactions to. And I am not rich.

So here's what we had, and I must say, it was very good. For drinks, I had a hibiscus iced tea with no sugar, while CJ had a single small glass of house red wine. Then we ordered a Macro Bowl (rice and quinoa base with broccoli, kimchi, avocado, tofu and addition-



### Tiny Diner's solar-shaded patio

al seasonal vegetables) and a Lacinato Kale Salad (kale and shaved napa cabbage, lemon juice vinaigrette, grated Parmesan cheese, sliced almonds) with a side of grilled shrimp. And we split each dish between us, with the help of a couple of empty plates, except I ate all the tofu and CJ ate all the shrimp. We had a bit of kale salad left over that I took home.

### Mini-review #2 – Standish Cafe for late breakfast

I was going to keep on doing one in-person dining and one takeout venue per month for

The Dish 2.0 (in contrast to the original, more traditional format of making the whole piece about one restaurant, and ignoring takeout to a large extent). COVID has upended a lot of our traditions, and I don't mind that. But it's been often too hot to stay in my apartment. So I am going to restaurants to get cool and, incidentally, eat. (If we have another surge and it shuts down dining rooms before fall, I don't know what I'll do.)

So, on one of the worst hot days, I actually went out for breakfast, something I very rarely do any more. I went to the Standish Cafe, a brunch-only place which is just four blocks from where I live. When I do go out for breakfast, I don't often go to Standish Cafe either. It's not that it's bad; it's quite good in fact, and popular with a lot of the neighbors. But for me, the menu is kind of heavy on meats and sweets. Their signature side dish is Standish Potatoes, which I ordered by accident once because I hadn't read the ingredients closely. It contains bacon, and to me it tastes more like bacon than potatoes, but that's possibly because I really, truly dislike bacon. I wouldn't eat it even if I did like it because I don't eat pork, but I quite like a few pork dishes, mainly traditional sausages and deli ham.

Now I almost always get

a veggie omelet with hashbrowns. The hashbrowns are crunchier than I like. (Tiny Diner's are paler and softer than I like. There's just no pleasing some people.) The



### Aebleskiver from Standish Cafe

sourdough toast and runny berry jam were both excellent, and they get points for using high-quality free-range eggs.

In the past, I have tried most of their sweet breakfast offerings, but not what I suppose is their signature dish in that category – aebleskiver, described on the menu as "Danish pancake balls." I also have not tried their steel-cut oats, another unusual-for-around-here dish. They also have "handhelds," a category that lumps sandwiches, burgers and burritos together, and "forkables," basically salads, and three supper plates you can have for brunch if that's your jam.

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# ‘Walking With the Devil’: peer intervention and accountability in policing

BY ELAINE KLAASSEN

Remember a few years back when Twin Cities Nonviolent

partnered with individuals and peace organizations to create 10 Days Free from Violence in the Twin Cities? It was in

the fall. The initiative wasn’t so huge the first year, but the next year, in 2019, hundreds of peace organizations were in-

volved and there was a roster of hundreds of peace events you could attend.

I went to one of them at the Minnesota Church Center on Franklin Avenue. The 90-year-old well-known activist priest Father Harry J. Bury was there sharing inspiring words. There was also a young Black man who worked with gang kids in the streets in North Minneapolis who had challenged “his kids” to spend 10 days without violence. The kids were excited and hopeful about it, he said. They put their souls into it. Wouldn’t you, if it was a choice between life and death? Those kids don’t want to die.

Also present was a retired Minneapolis police officer, Michael W. Quinn, who told me he had written a book about de-escalation and the code of silence in policing, “Walking With the Devil: What Bad Cops Don’t Want You to Know and What Good Cops Won’t Tell You.” (I later learned he was an international ethics and leadership trainer who had led a 2018 workshop – at 10 Days Free from Violence – on active bystander and peer intervention training to de-escalate violence.)

The book, written originally in 2005 and revised since then, says on the cover it’s the third edition already and gives two phrases that describe what the book is about: “The Promise of Peer Intervention” and “The Police Code of Silence,” followed by the title. It’s an important book that I believe too few people have heard of. It’s been lauded in the field but apparently has yet to make an impact on the Minneapolis Police Department. Needless to say, Bob Kroll is not a fan of Mike Quinn.

It seems that back in 2005 the lack of accountability we are especially concerned with now was addressed thoroughly. Except who was listening? Who read the book and heeded its counsel? It’s all in there.

Quinn was invited to help create a peer intervention program in the New Orleans Police Department, EPIC (Ethical Policing is Courageous), which is operating today. It’s more than a shame the MPD didn’t invite him to do the same here. If police officers, even rookies, would have had permission and support for intervening in fellow officers’ bad behavior, George Floyd would still be alive.

I believe that in general a lot can be forgiven and overlooked in “tense, uncertain, and rapidly evolving” situations, as police situations are characterized many, many



Michael W. Quinn

times in the book. But May 25, 2020, wasn’t an example of a “tense, uncertain, and rapidly evolving” situation. That is no explanation, or excuse, for the tragedy.

In my opinion, a belief embedded in everyone in this culture took over in the actions of Derek Chauvin that day at 38th and Chicago: the belief that Black and Brown people are bad, inferior and of no importance. Yet, the rule of law doesn’t support that belief. And the rule of law is what the law requires police officers to follow. So, if Minneapolis police culture had had in place the permission and support for all officers to monitor the behavior of other officers, the outcome would have been different. Of course, it should never have come to the point that intervention was necessary, but it did. The current fear that officers have of the public, since officer assassinations have risen significantly in recent years, which Quinn writes about in the book, also escalated the brutality – and made peer intervention necessary.

Quinn’s vivid, often riveting, moments in “Walking with the Devil” describe the heights and depths of police work – the best, the worst and in between. He admits to their love of the adrenaline rush; he praises the selflessness that led them into the Twin Towers; he describes the blatant corruption (robberies and selling stolen merchandise) that goes on in the department; he admits to his own errors that he wishes he could undo.

Throughout the book he refers to the “no ratting” agreement within the police force as well as to the power of one person to make a difference. He gives numerous examples of times when one officer has spoken up, himself included; although the whistleblowers pay a price, their courage nevertheless makes a difference in modifying bad behavior within the ranks.

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### Walking, from page 14

For the average citizen, the book will take you into an unfamiliar world, a world full of wrongdoing and harm-doing. Quinn presents convincing scenarios that describe inexplicable behavior by “the scum of the earth.” Within the ethos of the police force it appears that those citizens who commit crimes (act outside the law) are seen as not quite human. He shows the impulse of police officers to get every situation under control. It’s a rough world.

There are many gray areas that police officers run into, which Quinn describes vividly and in a way that wins our sympathy. Quinn also draws us into his exciting storytelling of scenarios unfamiliar to ordinary citizens so we can understand situations that are so violent, so life-threatening, so crazy and unexpected that the officers involved really can’t remember exactly what happened.

You can start to grasp how it is possible that officers will

cross the line.

Two important passages dramatize why officers need to maintain impeccable ethics: “[W]hen we hurt people unnecessarily or make them lose face in front of others, just because we can, we are making a serious mistake. ... Many of these citizens have nothing and they know it. Being on the bottom of the pile economically and socially drives them to fashion an inversely high sense of honor. When we take that away from them with physical force or words of disrespect, we take away the only thing they have left. We create an enemy who has nothing left to lose, except his life or yours.”

Quinn cites the example of Lt.-Gen. Ian Freeland in Northern Ireland who thought it didn’t matter what the people of Northern Ireland thought of him and his troops. Quinn says it matters how people in authority behave. They have no right to enforce the law when they’ve lost their legitima-

cy. Quinn writes, “Instead of dealing with the cause of our loss of legitimacy we militarized our police departments in a failed attempt to change and control the bad outcomes of poor policies, much as Freeland did.”

Most people have internal controls and don’t need the external controls provided by legitimate law enforcement. Internal controls include a sense of right and wrong, a connection to the common good, a conscience, hopes and dreams, self-affirmation. Internal controls are developed in people whose needs are met: food, shelter, belonging, kindly companionship, respect, education.

When police officers don’t have their own internal con-

trols, they need something external, like maybe liability insurance. As it is, there are forces in place that take away the deterrents to bad behavior, such as unions. I read in Mother Jones, September/October 2020, that with the formation of police unions, between 1950 and 1980, there was a noticeable increase in police killings in the U.S., “an increase that researchers say may be linked to officers’ belief that their unions would protect them from prosecution.”

My one big question about the book is this: Quinn talks about how many officers are prosecuted and do jail time for their brutality and other misbehavior. He talks about peer intervention as the way

to prevent their career loss, incarceration, separation from family, etc., but my perception, and I think the general public’s perception, is that the police “always get away with it,” so I was surprised to read that many police officers are convicted of misconduct. I couldn’t get ahold of Quinn to ask him about this.

The book is available online from eBay and various book-sellers. You can also order it from your favorite local bookstore. And don’t forget the library. The Hennepin County library system has an eBook available, but its two hard copies are in use, with 28 holds. So get in line. This is the book we needed in 2005. We still need it.

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