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FROM THE PRESIDENT

A few high profile crimes in Waite Park have garnered us a good deal of attention of late. Overall crime numbers for our neighborhood are typically trending down, but a number of violent, isolated crimes and a rash of common burglaries have caught the attention of the media and the police.

As a means to curtail some of this crime, Carol Oosterhuis from the Second Police Precinct is looking for more block leaders from our neighborhood. Block leaders are typically the first line of information and defense when it comes to many livability crimes, including burglary. No experience is necessary to become a block leader. A short training session and regular meetings with other block leaders in Northeast are typically the only formal commitments. If you are interested in becoming a block leader or you have more questions about it, please contact Carol Oosterhuis at the Second Precinct at (612) 673-2874.

Please take advantage of the Waite Park Security Rebate program if you have not done so already. You can receive up to \$50 on the purchase of new security items for your home each year. Visit waiteparkneighborhood.org for more information.

— Jeffrey Martin



Architect Hopes to Give New Life to Funeral Home Property

— By Dan Haugen

A vacant mortuary that's been on the brink of foreclosure for more than a year is now getting a new life as an office and community space.

Architect John Harriss owns the property at 3207 Central Ave. NE. His firm was originally hired to design a condo project at the site.

When sales got off to a slow start, Harriss and a business partner bought the property from the initial developers in 2006 with hopes of improving sales. The condos ultimately failed, and the property has been in financial limbo since 2007.

A green, thrifty renovation is now underway to convert the funeral home into a multi-tenant office building, with Harriss' own architecture firm serving as the anchor tenant.

"We saw an opportunity to take a building that was destined for the landfill and reuse it," Harriss said.

Harriss Architecture, which specializes in schools, senior housing and sustainable design, hopes to transform the Central Ave. site into a showcase for green building design.

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NE Library to Close Thurs., Oct. 29 After "Renovation Kickoff"

Join your neighbors and celebrate Northeast Library's renovation from 6 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, October 29 at an event honoring the current library and celebrating the plans for the new library, at 2200 Central Avenue Northeast. The program begins at 6:30 p.m., with Hennepin County Commissioner Mark Stenglein leading a family

story time. Hear all about the renovation highlights from Hennepin Library Board President Therese VanBlarcom. The renovation's design boards will be available for viewing, kids can enjoy a fun craft activity celebrating the renovation, and refreshments will be served. This event is sponsored by the Library Foundation of Hennepin County.

The library will close on Thursday, October 29th at 8 p.m. in preparation for construction, which will begin in December. The projected renovation completion date is 2011.

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Harriss Architecture Remodeling

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The vision also calls for transforming the former casket showroom into a community meeting space for neighborhood and nonprofit groups.

The renovation is a work in progress, and Harriss said it will continue to be piecemeal project, with work being done as time and money is available.

Green building features already incorporated include energy-saving windows, non-toxic paints and insulation made from recycled blue jeans. Harriss would like to add more ambitious green components later like rooftop solar panels and pervious pavers in the parking lot.

Harriss hopes up to three other organizations will eventually join the architecture firm in building. Shared amenities, such as parking, a kitchenette and conference room, are aimed at making the space appealing as an incubator for design professionals.

The original condo proposal called for a four-story, 30-unit building with a brownstone exterior. Only 20 percent of the units were sold, well short of the 50 percent generally required to begin construction for condos.

When the city's condo market declined, Harriss briefly pursued a mixed-use development with street-level retail shops and apartments above that. Harriss was unable to find investors to back that plan, though.

Harriss' business partner declared personal bankruptcy last year, prompting their lender to intensify pressure for a resolution. Meanwhile, Harriss' architecture firm was laying off employees and struggling to meet obligations as clients suspended projects due to the economy.

"One year ago today it was just an absolute disaster," Harriss said. "It was a dark Christmas."

In a search for inspiration, Harriss began "nesting" at the old funeral home, spending long hours wandering its spaces. He set up a white board and started sketching out concepts that might save his investment.

"The fact that it was a funeral home kind of freaked me out a bit, but I started to feel more comfortable up here," Harriss said.

As the winter days grew longer, so too did the dark lift from around Harriss. The brainstorming and soul-searching led to the office building idea, which his lender supported. State Bank of Delano loaned \$50,000 to jump start the renovation, and Harriss spent much of this year working on the space himself.

Harriss Architecture moved into the building in June, working out of boxes in a makeshift office in the former visiting room. They've since converted the old chapel into a finished office space with with about half a dozen work stations.

Harriss plans to share an update on the project with neighborhood residents at the Waite Park Community Council meeting on Nov. 4. He also intends to share a proposal to close 32nd Ave. NE east from Central Avenue to the first alley. Harriss

would like to close the section of street and converted the area to a garden or green space.

"We've hardly got an easy path ahead of us," Harriss said, but "I've always stuck with this property. I've always believed in this site."

Come meet John Harriss and hear more about plans to improve the building on 32nd and Central Avenue at the next Waite Park Community Council meeting on November 4. Waite Park Community Council meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m., in the Waite Park Community Center at 1810 34th Ave. NE. We hope to see you there!

Don't Make Life Easy for Burglars

— By Barry Hickethier

On September 25, there were five burglaries or attempted burglaries of garages in the area between 30th and 31st Avenues NE and between Hayes and Cleveland Streets NE. And, there have been others in recent months. In most, if not all cases, the garages were not locked. Much like a lion surveying a herd, burglars seek out the easy targets. Rather than breaking a door or popping a lock, they will go from garage to garage or house to house seeking an invitation to easy entry.

Please don't make a burglar's job any easier. Here are some simple tips to remember:

- Call 911 if you hear strange noises or see suspicious behavior in the alley. Keep your garage doors closed and LOCKED.
- Keep outside lights on or use motion sensing lights to increase visibility for both you and your neighbors.
- Secure your garage service door with deadbolt locks. Secure windows with bars or locks.
- If you don't have an electric garage door opener, install a padlock 1/4" above a roller in the overhead door track when the door is closed.
- Chain down valuable items like snow-blowers, bikes and snowmobiles.
- Lock your car doors.

We can help -- the Waite Park Community Council offers a Security Rebate Program to help you with these simple security improvements. A \$50 rebate is offered for items such as motion detecting lights, deadbolt locks, window locks and a host of other security related items. To participate or learn more, visit waiteparkneighborhood.org.

If everyone can follow these simple steps, burglars will learn that Waite Park is a difficult place to ply their trade and will look elsewhere for opportunities.

SIGN UP FOR MINNEAPOLIS CRIME ALERTS

Stay connected with important public safety news in your area, including crime alerts, community updates, and important advisories.

- Visit www.nixle.com for more information.

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A view of the East elevation of the planned NE Library renovation

NE Library Renovation

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Hennepin County Library conducted a survey in September asking customers which library they would use during the renovation. In response to customer feedback, St. Anthony Library will be open longer hours on Saturdays--from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.--from Saturday, October 31 until Northeast Library reopens in 2011. Nearby Hennepin County libraries include:

- *St. Anthony* – 2941 Pentagon Drive NE, 952-847-6075, Hours: 12-8 M & T / 10-5 W,F & Sat (Sat. as of Oct. 31) / 12-5 Th / Closed Sun
- *Pierre Bottineau* – 55 Broadway St. NE, 952-847-2850, Hours: 12-8 T & Th / 10-6 W, F & Sat / Closed Sun & M
- *Central* – 300 Nicollet Mall, 612-630-6000 Hours: 10-8 T & Th / 10-6 W, F & Sat / 12-5 Sun / Closed M

While Northeast Library is closed, students who need homework assistance are encouraged to use the Homework Hub at the Central Library. Online homework help is available for grades 3 - 12 in English and Spanish 1 - 11 p.m. seven days a week: www.hclib.org/pub/info/homework.cfm.

During the renovation the familiar faces of Northeast staff will be at nearby libraries to provide their usual great service to the community. "Northeast Minneapolis – with its civic-minded residents and vibrant arts community – relies on the library as a community and cultural center. Libraries are the great equalizers and this library has been a popular destination for kids and seniors and a mainstay of the community," said Commissioner Stenglein. "We're certain that this exciting, needed, and beautiful renovation and expansion will make the library even more of a magnet for area residents of all ages."

In planning for the renovated library, the Northeast Library Advisory Team, which consists of members of the community, provided essential feedback on what the community wants in a library.

Andrea Voss is Waite Park Community Council's representative.

Improvements include expanded and enhanced space for children and teens, comfortable reading and quiet study areas, and triple the current number of public computers.

Wireless access will be available. Homework help space will be available for after-school learning. Design plans also include a new early literacy and interactive discovery zone for young children. There will be a display area for local art. There will be improved staff workspaces for operational efficiencies.

More visible and welcoming entrances will open onto an improved parking area and onto Central Avenue. The library addition will be located on the southeast corner of the current site, facing Central Avenue. New flexible meeting space will be in the interior of the building. The renovated library will have flexible interior space to meet changing programming and community needs. The number of parking spaces will be the same, 24.

Sustainable features incorporated into the renovation include maximizing use of natural daylight through window design, new and updated mechanical systems for energy efficient operation, use of renewable products, native plantings, and a storm water management system that includes a rainwater garden. The new boiler has already been installed, about a year ago.

Hennepin County Library Director Lois Langer Thompson said, "We're very excited about the Northeast renovation. The design was developed in partnership with the local citizen advisory team and will enhance library service in a great neighborhood."

Northeast Library was built in 1973 to replace the original Carnegie library building built in 1915. It is currently 14,500 square feet. The renovated and expanded library will be 16,221 square feet. The architect for the project is Cuningham Group Architecture, P.A.

The project cost is \$5,235,000. The selling of bonds approved by Minneapolis voters in the library referendum in 2000 provided core funding of \$3.785 million for the renovation. The Hennepin County Board augmented the Minneapolis funding by \$1.45 million to provide a more complete project for the community.

In 2008, customers borrowed more than 176,000 books and other materials from the Northeast Library.

The Northeast Library will have a 952 area code instead of 612 when it reopens, as part of a network consolidation. Bottineau has a new 952 number; Central doesn't yet. The merger of Hennepin County Library and Minneapolis Public Library has provided opportunities to decrease overall operating costs and increase efficiencies by eliminating duplicate technology systems. The existing county system had the capacity to unify the systems into one network. With one phone system, customers can call one number and be transferred anywhere in the 41-library system. Customers can expect to hear standardized voice messaging at the libraries and staff will be able to communicate more easily with each other.

Another change due to the merger is the establishment of Friends groups at each library in Minneapolis. Minneapolis Public Library had one Friends organization for the entire system, but Hennepin County libraries all have their own Friends groups. Three "Join the Friends of the Library!" Planning Meetings were held October 20, 21, and 22 at Northeast, Linden Hills, and East Lake libraries to plan for a grassroots Friends group for each library in Minneapolis. Become a Friend of your library. Be the extra hands and energy that connect the community to the library. If you did not attend one of these meetings but are interested in becoming a Friend, call Margie Schuster at 952-847-8545.

Minneapolis General Election Tuesday, November 3 – Vote!

– By Gary Arntsen

On Tuesday, November 3rd, voters will be able to rank their choices for Mayor, City Council, Board of Estimate & Taxation, and Park & Recreation Board. This new voting method called Ranked Choice Voting (RCV) allows voters to rank multiple candidates in order of preference. Voters may rank up to three candidates for each municipal office in order of the voter’s preference.

The polls are open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Waite Park Neighborhood includes all of Ward 1, Precinct 2 (1-2) and part of Ward 1, Precinct 3 (1-3). The precinct boundary is 32nd Avenue. Precinct 1-2 is north of 32nd Avenue and the polling place is Waite Park Community School, 1810 34th Avenue Northeast. Precinct 1-3 is south of 32nd Avenue and the polling place is Northeast Middle School, 2955 Hayes Street Northeast.

A unmarked blue sample ballot for 1-2 is inserted in this newsletter. The offices for 1-3 are the same but the candidates names are in different order; they rotate by precinct. Please remove it from the newsletter. You may mark it and take it with you to the polling place election day; but remember there’s no campaigning within 100 feet of the

polling place. Please carry it privately with you to and from the polling place.

The last Voice had a full-page in-depth overview of RCV. The City is conducting an extensive outreach and education program. Visit www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us and click on the VOTE button or call 311 for election information, including registering on election day, voting by absentee ballot, voting for people with a disability, and a new online interactive ballot tool that lets the voter know if they make a mistake filling out the ballot.

The Minneapolis Elections Department is holding 14 events between October 19th and November 2nd to educate voters about RCV. Voters questions will be answered and they will be able to practice voting so they know what to expect on Election Day – the first having been held at Waite Park. There are seven events between Monday, October 26th and Monday, November 2nd. Meetings nearest to Waite Park are on Tuesday, October 27th from 6:30 to 7:55 p.m. at Southeast Library, 1222 4th St. SE., and on Saturday, October 31st from 10 a.m. to noon at North Regional Library, 1315 Lowry Avenue North.

Visit www.voteminneapolis.org for more information and meeting times/locations.

Minneapolis City Council Ward 1 Candidate Forum

*Come out and learn more
about the candidates.*

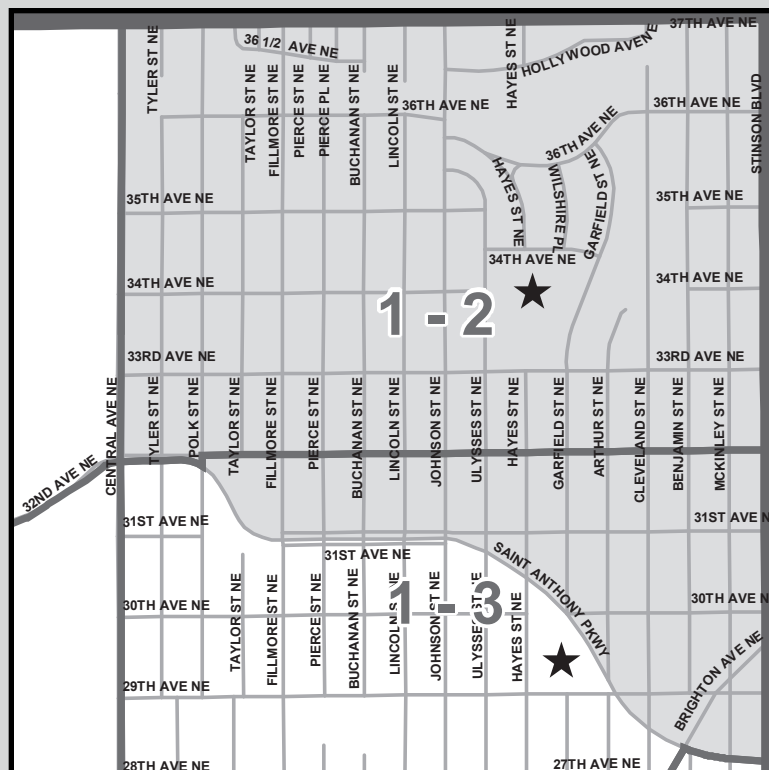
**Tuesday, October 27th
6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.**

**Northeast Community Library
2200 Central Avenue NE
Minneapolis**



**Sponsored by the League of Women Voters
Minneapolis**

Waite Park Voting Precincts



Ward 1, Precinct 2

North boundary is 37th Ave.,
West boundary is Central Ave., East boundary is Stinson Blvd.
South boundary is 32nd Ave. (North side of street),

★ Polling Place: **Waite Park Community School**
1810 34th Ave. NE

Ward 1, Precinct 3 (Waite Park section)

North boundary is 32nd Ave. (South side of street),
West boundary is Central Ave., East boundary is Stinson Blvd.
South boundary is St. Anthony Pkwy.,

★ Polling Place: **Northeast Middle School**
2955 Hayes St. NE

SEE THE SPECIAL INSERT IN THE PRINT VERSION OF THE NOV/DEC '09 VOICE

OR, A SAMPLE BALLOT MAY BE DOWNLOADED AT: WWW.VOTEMINNEAPOLIS.ORG

THEN CLICK ON THE "SEE MY SAMPLE BALLOT" BUTTON.

Below is a reduced, unmarked sample ballot for Ward 1, Precinct 2 (Waite Park Neighborhood north of 32nd Avenue). The offices are the same for Ward 1, Precinct 3 (Waite Park Neighborhood south of 32nd Avenue), but the names of the candidates are in different order.

You may download the full size ballot and mark your choices in advance for reference while at your polling place, at Waite Park Community School (1-2) or Northeast Middle School (1-3), on Tuesday, November 3rd; but remember there's no campaigning within 100 feet of the polling place. Please carry this with you privately, to and from the polling place.

For more information, visit www.voteminneapolis.org (including printing a ballot for 1-3) or call 311.

OFFICIAL BALLOT
CITY GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT

STATE OF MINNESOTA NOVEMBER 3, 2009 CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS

Ranked Choice Voting

Instructions

How to make your candidate choice

- Pick your first choice candidate and completely fill in the oval next to that candidate under First Choice, like this:
 - Correct:** Correct. Choose different candidates in different columns.
 - Wrong:** Wrong. Voter chose the same candidate more than once.
 - Wrong:** Wrong. Voter chose more than one candidate in the same column.
- If you have a second choice candidate, completely fill in the oval next to that candidate under Second Choice.
- Your third choice candidate, if you have one, works the same way.

All three choices (if you choose to have three) must be different from each other.

If you make a mistake - or cross out or make a stray mark - ask for a new ballot. Otherwise your vote may not count.

Begin voting below

CITY OFFICES

MAYOR

Mark your first, second and third choice candidates in the columns below. One to be elected.

1 First Choice	2 Second Choice	3 Third Choice
<input type="radio"/> AL FLOWERS Democratic-Farmer-Labor	<input type="radio"/> AL FLOWERS Democratic-Farmer-Labor	<input type="radio"/> AL FLOWERS Democratic-Farmer-Labor
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<input type="radio"/> R.T. RYBAK Democratic-Farmer-Labor	<input type="radio"/> R.T. RYBAK Democratic-Farmer-Labor	<input type="radio"/> R.T. RYBAK Democratic-Farmer-Labor
<input type="radio"/> JAMES R. EVERETT Social Entrepreneurship	<input type="radio"/> JAMES R. EVERETT Social Entrepreneurship	<input type="radio"/> JAMES R. EVERETT Social Entrepreneurship
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COUNCIL MEMBER

WARD ONE

Mark your first, second and third choice candidates in the columns below. One to be elected.

1 First Choice	2 Second Choice	3 Third Choice
<input type="radio"/> SUSAN HOWITZ HANNA Democratic-Farmer-Labor	<input type="radio"/> SUSAN HOWITZ HANNA Democratic-Farmer-Labor	<input type="radio"/> SUSAN HOWITZ HANNA Democratic-Farmer-Labor
<input type="radio"/> THOMAS ALESSI Ron Paul Conservative	<input type="radio"/> THOMAS ALESSI Ron Paul Conservative	<input type="radio"/> THOMAS ALESSI Ron Paul Conservative
<input type="radio"/> KEVIN REICH Democratic-Farmer-Labor	<input type="radio"/> KEVIN REICH Democratic-Farmer-Labor	<input type="radio"/> KEVIN REICH Democratic-Farmer-Labor
<input type="radio"/> LARRY RANALLO Independent	<input type="radio"/> LARRY RANALLO Independent	<input type="radio"/> LARRY RANALLO Independent
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ATTENTION VOTER: See other side for voting instructions

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BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND TAXATION

Mark your first, second and third choice candidates in the columns below. Two to be elected.

1 First Choice	2 Second Choice	3 Third Choice
<input type="radio"/> JAMES ELLIOT SWARTWOOD	<input type="radio"/> JAMES ELLIOT SWARTWOOD	<input type="radio"/> JAMES ELLIOT SWARTWOOD
<input type="radio"/> DAVID WHEELER	<input type="radio"/> DAVID WHEELER	<input type="radio"/> DAVID WHEELER
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write-in, if any	write-in, if any	write-in, if any

PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSIONER AT LARGE

Mark your first, second and third choice candidates in the columns below. Three to be elected.

1 First Choice	2 Second Choice	3 Third Choice
<input type="radio"/> TOM NORDYKE	<input type="radio"/> TOM NORDYKE	<input type="radio"/> TOM NORDYKE
<input type="radio"/> DAVID WAHLSTEDT	<input type="radio"/> DAVID WAHLSTEDT	<input type="radio"/> DAVID WAHLSTEDT
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<input type="radio"/> NANCY BERNARD	<input type="radio"/> NANCY BERNARD	<input type="radio"/> NANCY BERNARD
<input type="radio"/> JOHN BUTLER	<input type="radio"/> JOHN BUTLER	<input type="radio"/> JOHN BUTLER
<input type="radio"/> MARY MERRILL ANDERSON	<input type="radio"/> MARY MERRILL ANDERSON	<input type="radio"/> MARY MERRILL ANDERSON
<input type="radio"/> JOHN ERWIN	<input type="radio"/> JOHN ERWIN	<input type="radio"/> JOHN ERWIN
<input type="radio"/> ANNE YOUNG	<input type="radio"/> ANNE YOUNG	<input type="radio"/> ANNE YOUNG
write-in, if any	write-in, if any	write-in, if any

PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSIONER DISTRICT ONE

Mark your first, second and third choice candidates in the columns below. One to be elected.

1 First Choice	2 Second Choice	3 Third Choice
<input type="radio"/> JOHN MALONE	<input type="radio"/> JOHN MALONE	<input type="radio"/> JOHN MALONE
<input type="radio"/> LIZ WIELINSKI	<input type="radio"/> LIZ WIELINSKI	<input type="radio"/> LIZ WIELINSKI
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CITY QUESTIONS

To vote for a question, completely fill in the oval next to the word "YES" for that question. To vote against a question, completely fill in the oval next to the word "NO" for that question.

CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 168
PROPOSAL TO CHANGE THE COMPOSITION OF THE BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND TAXATION

Should the City of Minneapolis adopt a change in its charter to change the composition of the Board of Estimate and Taxation so that the Board's membership consists of the members of the City Council, with the actions of the Board subject to the powers and duties of the Mayor?

YES

NO

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Minneapolis Parks and Recreation Update

F R O M W A I T E P A R K

PICTURED BELOW: A ceremonial tree planting at Waite Park during the 2009 Fall Festival. Photographer: Mary Farnham



– By Larry Umphrey, Recreation Supervisor

It's getting chilly outside, and before we know it winter jackets, hats, mittens, and snow will be every day words. However we still have some wonderful fall weather to take advantage of and recreate in. There are a couple of fun events coming up at Waite Park Recreation Center in the next few weeks we would like you to be aware of:

PTA FAMILY DINNER & BOOK FAIR

On Friday, October 23rd the Waite Park PTA is hosting its annual family dinner in the school and the recreation center. There is also a scholastic book fair that evening in the school auditorium. The event begins at 6:30 p.m.

HALLOWEEN AT WAITE PARK & WINDOM PARK

On Friday, October 30th at Waite Park Recreation Center there is the annual "Tricks and Treats, Fun and Eats" Halloween Party. The party is from 3:30 - 5:30 p.m. This FREE event includes art activities, games, and candy bag handouts. If you wish to pre-register for this event, please go to www.minneapolisparcs.org and search Waite Park Recreation Center. Remember this is FREE! A big thank you to the American Legion for their generous donation for the party. If you are looking for a party on Halloween Night, look no further than Windom Park, located on 2251 Hayes St NE,

connected onto Pillsbury School. Windom's Halloween Party goes from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. on Saturday the 31st and will have games, entertainment, and treats for all the kids. People of all ages are welcome for any of these special events put on by the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board and the Upper Northeast Parks.

FALL FESTIVAL 2009 REVIEW

On Saturday, September 19th, Waite Park held its annual Fall Festival. This year's event was highlighted by the CP Rail Train, the planting of a ceremonial tree, a political soap box, and lots and lots of grilled up corn. Thank you to everyone for their support of this event. A special thank you to CP Rail and to the Waite Park Community Council for their support. The event was sponsored by The Waite Park Community Council, Minneapolis Community Education, and The Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board.

NEW WAITE PARK SIGN

The new sign is here! On August 23rd, a new lighted sign was installed at Waite Park. The sign replaced the older model, which was beaten up and had definitely seen its better days. The sign was funded by the Waite Park Community Council's NRP allocation for the recreation center, and will help with advertising programs and events being held at the park and the school.

UPPER NORTHEAST PARKS ON FACEBOOK

Speaking of advertising, are you friends with the Upper Northeast Parks on Facebook? Stay up to date with the latest news and updates on line with us. We are at facebook.com, and search for "Upper Northeast". Become our friend and stay up to date with all the latest happenings.

WINTER SPORTS REGISTRATION

Winter sports registration is just a few weeks away. On Monday, November 2nd beginning at 6:00 p.m. we will be kicking off registration for Wrestling, Hockey, and Basketball. The kickoff will be held at Northeast Park, located at 1615 Pierce St NE – right next to Lupient Water Park and the old Putnam School. We offer youth sports for kids ages 4-18, so please come down to Northeast Park on the 2nd and get registered early.

STAFF PROFILE: Lauren Aasen

In each issue of the Waite Park Voice, we profile an employee and help our users get to better know our staff. In this issue, we are profiling Lauren Aasen, who has been at Waite Park since

2008. Lauren currently works with the AM and PM Recreation Plus program and is the head coach of the 11U Open Upper Northeast Soccer Team. Lauren is a 2009 graduate of St. Anthony High School, and currently attends Hennepin Technical College studying to be a dental assistant. Lauren loves to eat pasta and enjoys taking walks in nice weather. Better take lots of walks quick Lauren, its getting colder and colder outside. Lauren has been a tremendous asset to the Waite Park Community, and we are so happy to have her on our team.

TINY TOTS

Waite Park Tiny Tots class is currently accepting new students. "Tiny Tots" is a multi-age preschool class that includes playtime, story time, group activities, songs, games, arts and crafts, science experiments, nature programs, American Sign Language and so much more! We work on learning the skills that children need to be successful in kindergarten and beyond. We love helping the children as they grow in their abilities and self-confidence. The class is offered 5 days a week, but you can decide which days to enroll your child. Parents are welcome to stop by to observe the class and talk to the teachers. We hope to see you soon! Class is Monday-Friday from 9:30 - 11:30 a.m., and fees are on a sliding scale, with limited scholarships available.

MIKE MADISON RETURNS

One last update and thank you – Mike Madison, the Lead Child Care Worker at Waite Park, has been on leave with his wife and their new baby since August 17th, will be back at Waite Park on October 19th. We welcome Mike back, and hope he is well rested and adjusted to his new addition! A special thank you to all the staff who have really stepped up their games over the past 8 weeks while Mike has been gone, and I would like to recognize Leah McCabe, who has filled in as the lead coordinator of the program while Mike has been gone. Leah has been dedicated, professional, patient, and caring beyond belief for the past couple of months. Thank you Leah!

Thank you for choosing to play with the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board. As always, if you have questions, comments, or concerns please contact Larry Umphrey at 612.370.4959, 612.490.8896 or via email at lumphrey@minneapolisparcs.org.

Waite Park Fall After School Activities and Adult Classes

– By Tony Walker, Waite Park Community Ed.

Exciting new things are taking place this fall. The After Schools Activities are off and running with a huge turnout for this year. 64% of all students who attend Waite Park are currently enrolled in our program. That is a great number and we are excited to have so many new faces joining our program. We have some new classes this year that we are offering. Our Stock Market Class for kids is a great way to get kids interested in the stock market and find out who can be the best stock broker in the class. We also have our theatre classes, Spanish classes, sports classes and so much more.

Lifelong learning for adults 55+ Wellness talks are held at River Village. We are looking forward to expanding this program to meet the interests and needs of our residents here in Northeast Minneapolis. On Monday, November 9th, our talk will be entitled "For your Eyes only: Magnification". River Village is located at 2919 Randolph St NE

please pre-register by calling Waite Park at 612-668-1590.

As always our Armchair Travel talks are held here at Waite Park, times are always 1:00-2:30pm the first Tuesday of every month. On Tuesday, November 10th we will present "Malaysia, Singapore and Cambodia."

We prefer that you pre-register for the Community Education classes. To do this, or if you have questions or would like help registering for these or any other class, you can reach me in my office at 612-668-1590.

There are some excellent Community Education classes that have just started. "Absolutely Terrified of Computers" will answer all your questions and allow you to have hands on experience. You will learn basic concepts on Apple computers. If you sign up for this class you will also automatically be enrolled in our Internet and Email basics class. This class focuses on email use as well as navigating on the web. We also offer a great ballroom dancing class, Stretch and Balance and Belly dancing.

For more information, check us out online at comm.ed.mpls.k12.mn.us, call 612-668-1590, or e-mail us at Anthony.walker@mpls.k12.mn.us.

Fall Happenings at Waite Park Community School

– By Jenn Bennington

October is FUNdraising month at Waite Park Community School. The PTA has organized a 3-pronged approach to raising money for the school in order to fund field trips, school supplies and educational and community-building events. Severe budget cuts to public schools make our fundraising efforts more crucial than ever before. Here's how you can help invest in the next generation of Northeasters:

Waite Park students are selling tasty treats from Midwest Northern Nut (a local NE company), so if you see kids going door-to-door on your block (always with an adult), stock up on cashews and toffee-coated pecans for your upcoming holiday parties! These treats also make great party gifts and stocking-stuffers.

The school partakes in a classroom Coin Drive, awarding a grand prize to the classroom that brings in the most spare change by the end of the month. If you know of any Waite Park kids on your block, this is your opportunity to unload that stash of spare change that has been accumulating for a great cause! We are also always looking for Corporate Sponsors to match each class's contribution up to \$100. If your company or employer might be willing to take part in this tax-deductible opportunity to support the school, please let us know by contacting Jenny

Arneson via phone at 612-789-2697 or email at waite_park_pta@yahoo.com.

For those families and community members who aren't interested in buying nuts and have recently brought their penny jugs to the bank, we are happy to receive a donation via cash or check. Just mail your donation to: Waite Park PTA, 1800 34th Ave NE, Minneapolis, MN 55418.


5-2-1-0 Family Health Fair

Thursday, November 12, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

(5 fruits and vegetables; 2 hours or less of TV; 1 hour of exercise; and 0 sugar drinks everyday)

Waite Park PTA is happy to announce that it won the National PTA Healthy Lifestyle Grant, which will fund the upcoming 5-2-1-0 Family Health Fair, promoting family health and wellness. At the fair, look for information tables and demonstrations on how to achieve healthy lifestyle changes. Enjoy samples of fruits and vegetables for students and families to try, booths promoting ideas on how to limit TV watching, and representatives from local sports stores and gyms to teach new and exciting exercise activities. There will also be a variety of non-sugar drinks for families to try, to encourage zero consumption of sugar drinks.

All community members are welcome to these events. Waite Park Community School is proud of its community involvement and the fantastic support it receives from its neighbors, (with and without children in the home). Thank You!



**Come To The 4th Annual
Northeast School
Showcase!**

**Saturday, November 14, 2009
11:30 AM - 2:30 PM
At Audubon Park**
1320 29th Ave. NE • Minneapolis
(2 Blocks W of Johnson on 29th)

**Come Take a closer look at the Public Schools In
Northeast Minneapolis!**


Pillsbury (PK-5)	Sheridan (PK-8)
Waite Park (PK-5)	Northeast Middle (6-8)
Marcy (K-8)	Edison High (9-12)

Information

Find Out How "Changing School Options" (The District's New Plan To Save Transportation Costs By Educating Student's Closer to Home) Will Affect You

ECFE Will Present "Making The Transition To Kindergarten" at 12:30 PM

**Recreational Fire with Roasting Marshmallows
Mini Golf • Camden Music School • Edison Robotics Team
Edison Athletic Teams • Face Painting • Crafts
School Spirit Door Prizes • And More...**



Event Sponsored By PEN (Public Education Northeast), a collaborative organization enthusiastically supporting Minneapolis Public Schools in the Northeast corridor. Call Dean DeGroot at 612-789-9596 for more information.



A Beautiful Day at NE Middle School

Over a hundred volunteers from the community, Delta Airlines, American Express, and Hands On Twin Cities worked to "beautify" NEMS by painting murals, sprucing up the courtyard, rearranging the media center, building new benches, and adding a new bike rack.

The theme of the event on Saturday, September 19th was "Travel With Your Mind". Projects highlighted the diversity of NEMS as well as aspects of its International Baccalaureate program such as international diversity and global citizenship.

At the end of the event, Principal Dr. Udupa receive a gift of \$2,000 donated by American Express. The gift will be used toward improving the NEMS Library Media Center.

Watch for dates and info regarding the winter and spring events!



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Seniors On The Go

– By Rita Deyo

For a group that usually battled a thousand I guess the time had come to concede one to the weather. So at 10:15 a.m. on Tuesday, October 6th twenty seven seniors and an accommodating bus driver left the Waite Park Center. They were headed for Stillwater, Minnesota and a leaf sighting cruise on the Saint Croix River. The rain persisted for the entire journey. The leaves had not changed much from their summer green. The Waite Park seniors and the group from North Saint Paul didn't let that bother them. All aboard dug into the substantial lunch provided by the Cruise, and the two big trays of a variety of cookies didn't last long either.

Part of the plan was to spend a couple hours enjoying the tourist and antique shops in Stillwater. Many seniors voted to wrap up the trip and head back to Waite Park. Some really wished to see the town. As a compromise, the bus parked on Main Street to allow the shoppers an abbreviated amount of time to browse while many just stayed on board the warm, dry bus. Our driver even walked a lady to the ice cream shop, when she didn't find it. Talk about swell service.

Did we see any fall colors? Oh yes, west along Highway 36 between McKnight Road and the streets in Minneapolis that we traveled on there was color. We arrived at the Waite Park Center about 3:30 p.m. The seniors were still visiting and still smiling as they disembarked. They said the trip maybe could have been different but they enjoyed it anyway.

Interested seniors are welcome to contact Larry at 370-4959 or Rita at 788-7587. It is a senior program. They keep it going.

Bywood East Health Care is Looking for Santa's Helpers

– By Mary Farnham

It is that time of the year again to recruit all of our holiday elves to gather those special items for our residents' gift bags. We would appreciate delivery of items by noon on Tuesday, December 15, 2009.

The holidays are a very busy and exciting time for us! Many community groups have started collecting gifts for our residents instead of a work place gift exchange. For all of you holiday elves, here is a little information you might find helpful. Gifts do not have to be wrapped. The Bywood Santa will then use your donations to customize a gift bag for each resident and will personally deliver them to our residents on December 19, 2009 with help of members of the Northeast Royalty.

This is also the time of year that we are scheduling holiday carolers.

If you have any questions, please call 612-788-9757 or e-mail farnham@aol.com.

Fall Update on Waite Park Neighborhood Garden

– By N. P. Heille, Garden Member

2009 has been a great year in the Waite Park Community Council's Garden. Even with early October nighttime temps in the low 30's and hi 20's there are crops still ready to harvested. Some say: "You can wait until after the first frost to pick your onions, carrots, spuds, chard, and Brussel sprouts." Others even go so far as to say: "The best chard, and Brussel sprouts are those you pick after the first frost." I can speak well for picked chard after the first frost. It does taste good.

In the fall the garden's metered water service has to be shutdown and drained. While the water is a nice perk of membership, especially in a dry summer like we had this year, the water service could be a major leaker if we failed to shut off the water; drain the water line, open the spigots, and sump the water out of our turned off connection to the City's water main.

Waite Park Neighborhood Garden is an all volunteer member cared for public garden. A garden where we grow our own organic food in 12x12 foot plot. In 2009, 65 gardeners grew their food in 71 plots, two of which are handicap. Some high points of the 2009 Garden year include: over half the garden's distressed wooden plot boarders have been upgraded to plastic wood; the garden has its own web site: sites.google.com/site/wpcngwm/; and, work has started to update the Garden Polices and Procedures to better handle over subscription to the available plots in the garden.

A tip of the hat to all garden members, because we are indeed an all volunteer member cared for public garden, who made 2009 a great garden year.

Waite Park Book Club

– By Rita Deyo

The Waite Park Book Club held its first meeting for the 2009-2010 season on Monday, September 21st at the Waite Park Center. Most of the regular members returned and new members were welcomed. A few previous members were missing but we hope they will be with us again.

The book for September, *West With The Night* by Beryl Markham, was well received.

Water For Elephants by Sara Gruen was discussed on Monday, October 19th, as this newsletter was going to press.

For readers who wish to beat the rush, the book for Monday, November 16th is *Three Cups of Tea* by Gregg Mortenson.

The Waite Park Book Club meets the third Monday of each month, September through June, from 1:00 to 3:30 p.m. at the Waite Park Center. For more information call Tony Walker at 668-1590.

Leaf Raking for Seniors Sat., November 7

Help seniors by raking up leaves in their yards in the 8th Annual Leaf Raking for Seniors on Saturday, November 7th. Many seniors have expressed their gratitude because without services such as this they couldn't stay in their homes.

This year the Northeast Minneapolis Scholarship Program needs you, your rake, and all your friends to join in the fun. They are also seeking donations to help cover leaf bags, food and beverages for the volunteers. They are seeking community, church and school groups who may want to partner with them in this event.

To volunteer or donate, please contact Heidi Zaworski at 408-0242 or NortheastRoyalty@aol.com.

Happy Hemoglobin Hunting Halloween

– By Liz Wielinski (a 4H mom)

GIVE BLOOD...

The Salvation Army with the help of the Northeast Urban 4H Club is sponsoring a blood drive from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Halloween, Saturday, October 31st at the Salvation Army Building, 2727 Central Avenue Northeast.

The kids get to wear their costumes and there was a lot of, "WE should all go as Dracula" talk.

For more information or to schedule an appointment call Libby @ 353-7116 or just drop by. Donate the gift that can only come from people.

For more information, visit the American Red Cross website at giveblood.givelife.org.

Photographer to Document Waite Park Neighborhood Culture

Earlier this year, the Waite Park Community Council began working with OverExposure, a media arts organization that creates partnerships between photographers and community groups on theme specific media projects.

Since beginning this new endeavor, OverExposure has appointed photographer Michael Dvorak to document the people, places and things that comprise a diverse and changing Waite Park neighborhood.

A freelance editorial and documentary photographer, Michael lives and works out of Minneapolis and in 1996 graduated from the Minneapolis College of Art and Design. Since then, his work has taken him all over the U.S. and the world with clients including, The New York Times, Universal Records Paris and London, and the locally based Utne Reader.

In the coming months, expect to see Michael trolling through the neighborhood – capturing the heart and soul of our community, on film.



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WAITE PARK COMMUNITY CALENDAR All activities not otherwise specified meet at Waite Park Community Center, 1810 34th Ave. N.E. **November/December 2009**

Date	Time	Event / Location or Other Info
Tues, Oct. 27	6:30 - 8 p.m.	Ward 1 City Council Candidates Forum Sponsored by League of Women Voters NE. Library, 2200 Central.
Weds, Oct. 28	6:30 p.m.	Area A (Minneapolis Public Schools) Meeting Thomas Edison High School, 700 22nd Ave. NE.
Thurs, Oct. 29	6 - 8 p.m.	NE. Library Renovation Kick-Off Event Displays of layout and design for the renovated library. NE. Library, 2200 Central.
Thurs, Oct. 29	7 - 9 p.m.	WPCC Board Agenda Setting Meeting & Waite Park NRP Steering Committee Meeting.
Fri, Oct. 30	3:30 - 5:30 p.m.	Waite Park Halloween Party. All ages welcome. Treat bags, arts projects. Free of charge.
Fri, Oct. 30		Northeast Library closed for renovation. It will reopen in 2011.
Sat, Oct. 31	10 a.m. - 5 p.m.	Longer hours on Saturdays until NE. Library reopens St. Anthony Library, 2941 Pentagon Dr. NE. (St. Anthony Shopping Center).
Sat, Oct. 31	9 a.m. - 2 p.m.	Blood Drive (Salvation Army & NE. Urban 4H Club) Call 353-7116 or drop by. Salvation Army, 2727 Central Ave.
Sun, Nov. 1	2 a.m.	Daylight Savings Time ends: fall back one hour.
Mon, Nov. 2	8:30 - 11 a.m.	Council Member Ostrow Office Hours-Call 673-2201 for time slot Urban Harvest, 2311 18th Ave. NE.
Tues, Nov. 3	7 a.m. - 8 p.m.	CITY ELECTION Remove sample ballot insert from newsletter if you haven't already done so.
Weds, Nov. 4	7 - 9 p.m.	WPCC Board Meeting.
Sat, Nov. 7	9:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.	Cmty. Ed: NE. Accordion Festival Donation Register: 781-8192 E-mail: dlangley@accordion.com , NE. Middle Schl, 2955 Hayes.
Sat, Nov. 7		NE. Mpls. Royalty Scholarship Prog. 8th Annual Raking for Seniors Info: northeastroyalty@aol.com or Heidi Zaworski, 408-0242.
Mon, Nov. 9	2 - 3 p.m.	Cmty. Ed. Wellness at River Village: Magnification: For Your Eyes Only Free 2919 Randolph St. NE.
Mon, Nov. 9	6 p.m.	2PAC (2nd Precinct Police & Cmty. Council) Meeting Monroe Village, 1900 Central Ave. NE.
Mon, Nov. 9	7 p.m.	SAAC (Shoreham Area Advisory Cmte.) Meeting Holland Neighborhood Assoc. office, 2516 Central.
Tues, Nov. 10	1 - 2:30 p.m.	Cmty. Ed. Armchair Travel: Malaysia, Singapore & Cambodia \$2 at the door Register: 668-1590.
Sat, Nov. 14	11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.	Northeast School Showcase Audubon Park, 29th & Lincoln.
Mon, Nov. 16	1 - 2:30 p.m.	Waite Park Book Club: "Their Eyes Were Watching God" by Zola Hurston.
Mon, Nov. 16	6:30 - 8 p.m.	PEN (Public Ed. NE.) Meeting Thomas Edison High School, 2nd flr. media rm., 700 22nd Ave. NE.
Tues, Nov. 17	5 - 7 p.m.	Nbrhd. & Cmty. Engagement Commission (NCRC) Meeting #6 Location TBD.
Weds, Nov. 18	6:30 p.m.	Mpls. Public Schools Area A Meeting Jordan Park School.
Weds, Nov. 18	6:30 - 7:30 p.m.	Cmty. Ed: Remodeling: Planning Your Kitchen Project \$15 Register: 668-1515 Castle Building & Remodeling, 2600 Johnson St.
Wed-18/Thurs.-19	5:30 - 9:30 p.m.	Cmty. Ed: Defensive Driving 8-hr. Initial Course: two 4-hr. classes \$18 Register: 668-1590.
Thurs, Nov 19	6 - 9 p.m.	Cmty. Ed & Eastside Food Co-op: Vegan Holiday Dinner \$15 Register: 668-1515 NE. Middle School, 2955 Hayes St. NE.
Thurs, Nov. 19	6:05 p.m.	Public Meeting to comment on proposed Mpls. Tax Levy and 2010 Budget Room 317 City Hall.
Thurs, Nov. 19	6:30 p.m.	Waite Park Community School PTA Meeting.
Thurs, Nov. 19	6:30 p.m.	NRP Policy Board Neigh. Rep. Candidate Forums & Election Crown Roller Mill Bldg, 105 5th Ave. S.
Thurs, Nov. 19	7 - 9 p.m.	WPCC Board Agenda Setting Meeting & Waite Park NRP Steering Committee Meeting.
Sat, Nov. 21	10 a.m. - noon	Cmty. Ed./Cmty. Crime Prev. Personal Safety Workshop (Mary Brandl & MPD) RSVP: 673-2874, NE. Middle Schl, 2955 Hayes St.
Mon, Nov. 23	4:30 p.m.	NRP Policy Board Meeting 23C Hennepin County Government Center.
Tues, Dec. 1	1 - 2:30 p.m.	Community Ed. Armchair Travel: Norwegian Cruise \$2 at the door Registration: 668-1590.
Weds, Dec. 2	6 - 8 p.m.	Cmty. Ed: Wine-Tasting for the Holidays \$28 Register: 668-1515 Castle Construction, 2600 Johnson.
Weds, Dec. 2	7 - 9 p.m.	WPCC Board Meeting.
Thurs, Dec. 3	5:30 - 9:30 p.m.	Cmty. Ed: Defensive Driving 4-hr. Refresher Class \$16 Register: 668-1590.
Fri, Dec. 4	6:30 p.m.	Waite Park Community School Winter Crafts/stravaganza & Recreational Fire.
Sat, Dec. 5		Har Mar Barnes & Noble will give a percentage of sales in store to W. P. PTA--mention Waite Park.
Mon, Dec 14	2 - 3 p.m.	Cmty. Ed. Wellness at River Village: Medication & Mishaps Free Register: 668-1590 2919 Randolph St. NE.
Mon, Dec. 14	6 p.m.	2PAC (2nd Precinct Police & Cmty. Council) Meeting Monroe Village, 1900 Central Ave. NE.
Mon, Dec. 14	7 p.m.	SAAC (Shoreham Area Advisory Cmte.) Meeting Holland Neighborhood Assoc. office, 2516 Central.
Tues, Dec. 15	5 - 7 p.m.	Nbrhd. & Cmty. Engagement Commission (NCEC) Meeting #7 Location TBD.
Weds, Dec. 16	6:30 p.m.	Mpls. Public Schools Area A Meeting Pillsbury School, 2250 Garfield St. NE.
Mon, Dec. 21	1 - 2:30 p.m.	Waite Park Book Club
Mon, Dec.21	4:30 p.m.	NRP Policy Board Meeting 23C Hennepin County Government Center.
Tues, Dec. 29	7 - 9 p.m.	Waite Park Board Agenda Setting Meeting & Waite Park NRP Steering Committee Meeting
Weds, Jan. 6	7 - 9 p.m.	WPCC Board Meeting
Sat, Jan. 9	12:30 - 3:30 p.m.	Cmty. Ed. Wellfest: Info at: www.mplscommunityed.com , South High School, 3131 19th Ave. S.

WPCC welcomes requests for accommodations such as child care, interpreters, etc.; please call 612-789-5104 a minimum of 5 days in advance.