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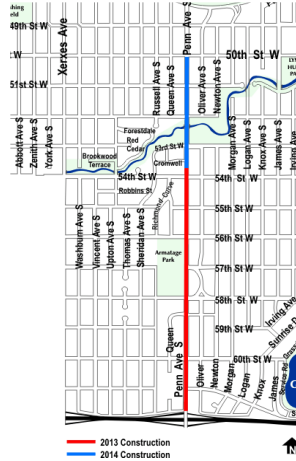
Ward 13 News

Penn Avenue Scheduled for Paving in 2013-14

Phase I of the project is Penn Avenue South between Minnesota Highway 62 and 54th Street West and Phase II in 2014 is 54th Street north to 50th Street West. The project will include removal and replacement of the pavement, curb and gutter, driveway aprons and storm drain inlets.

The project website with design layouts and public meeting notice for [January 22](#), can be found [here](#).

The public hearing for Phase I of this project is scheduled for [January 29](#) and work is expected to begin in early spring.



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46th Street West Reconstruction Project

The City of Minneapolis Public Works is planning to reconstruct 46th Street West between Lyndale and Dupont Avenues during the 2013 construction season. The project will include full removal of the existing street, sub-grade correction, new pavement, curb and gutter, driveways, possible bike facility, sidewalk as needed, streetscape elements as needed, and utility work as needed. The reconstruction will impact local parking, bike lanes, and pedestrian paths.



The City of Minneapolis Department of Public Works will be holding an informational meeting to follow-up on the feedback received since the last meeting and to address any questions you may have regarding the proposed project.

The meeting will be held at: [St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 4557 Colfax Avenue South](#) - **Wednesday, January 16, 2013 at 6:30 p.m.**

The project is in the preliminary design phase. The purpose of this meeting is to share revisions made to the concept that was shown at the September meeting. We will also begin gathering feedback on street lighting and other potential boulevard treatments. [Follow the project site for updates.](#)

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Public Process Begins for the Linden Hills Small Area Plan

The Linden Hills Neighborhood Council (LHiNC) and the Community Development and Economic Development (CPED) Department of the City of Minneapolis are excited to announce that the Short Elliot Hendrickson (SEH), Inc. consultant team will lead a broadly inclusive community engagement process to develop the Linden Hills Small Area Plan, which creates a shared long-range vision for portions of Linden Hills. The selection of the consultant team follows significant work by a steering committee to develop a request for proposals and the review of seven proposals from a very qualified pool of consultant teams.



The planning process will include three phases with several forums for community participation.

Phase I: Visioning - First the community will develop a vision for development in the business nodes at 43rd and Upton and 44th and France, as well as along the 44th Street corridor between Upton Avenue and France Avenue and along France Avenue from 44th to 47th Streets West. In late January, an online survey will gather ideas from residents, business owners and visitors on issues and aspirations for these areas. A community workshop will follow in late February to share community feedback and develop draft vision statements for these business nodes.

Phase II: Exploring Alternatives - Next the community will make preliminary recommendations for future commercial development in Linden Hills. During a charrette (planning workshop) in March, participants will explore ideas for enhancements, redevelopment, and preservation. In April, alternatives from this workshop will be posted online and at the Linden Hills Park building for review and comment by community members.

Phase III: Drafting the Plan - The results of community input and analysis will be combined into a draft Small Area Plan for review and comment by the community. During a community meeting in June, the draft Plan will be reviewed and additional feedback will be gathered. A final draft will be prepared and submitted to LHiNC and the City for adoption into the City's Comprehensive Plan.

For updates and more detailed information, [visit the project webpage](#).

Winter Fest in the Park - Friday, January 25 at 6:30 p.m.

Winter is in full swing, so why not embrace the cold and enjoy it! Linden Hills Park, at 43rd & Xerxes, will be an array of outside activity on the evening of Friday, January 25th. Drop by from 6:30-8:30 p.m. for cool air, hot beverages and all-around fun night out at one of our local parks. Ice skate, sled or snow shoe along to the music and enjoy the company of local friends. Questions about Winter Fest? Contact Linden Hills Park staff at 612-370-4913.



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KiteFest Hits the Sky - Saturday, January 19 at 12 p.m.

The 12th annual KiteFest takes to the lake and hits the sky this Saturday, January 19 from Noon to 4 p.m. Head over to the north side of Lake Harriet, near the bandshell, to see kites of all colors, shapes and sizes take flight. Watch the kites, bring your own or buy one while you're there.

Don't miss out on a host of other activities as well, including ice fishing, snowshoeing, a medallion hunt and horse drawn wagon rides. Come celebrate winter with your friends and neighbors, and don't worry about keeping warm. There will be hot cocoa, hot cider and roasted marshmallows over a fire to keep spirits warm and temperatures high.

Admission is free. Stop on by. In the case of extreme weather or poor ice conditions, the event will be re-scheduled for Saturday, January 26.

If interested in lending a helping hand at KiteFest, fill out the [online form](#) or contact Deb Schirber at info@eastharriet.org about volunteer opportunities.

Thank you to the sponsors of this annual event: Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board (MPRB), Minnesota Kite Society, the MN Department of Natural Resources (DNR), Nicollet-East Harriet Business Association (NEHBA), East Harriet Farmstead Neighborhood Association (EHFNA) and the Linden Hills Neighborhood Council (LHiNC).

See you Saturday at Lake Harriet!



Janeé Harteau is the New Chief of Police

In December, Janeé Harteau was sworn in as the new Minneapolis Police Chief. She named her department leadership team, including the positions of assistant chief and deputy chiefs. Former 5th Precinct (Southwest) Inspector Matthew Clark has been promoted to Assistant Chief and Inspector Anthony Diaz is now in charge of the [5th Precinct](#).



Inspector Diaz began his police career at the age of 20 in the 5th Precinct. Most recently, he worked in the Criminal Investigations Division as commander in both the assault investigations unit and the Violent Criminal Apprehension Team and was a shift commander and in charge of the Community Response Team in the 5th Precinct.

The 5th Precinct is headquarters for Patrol Officers, Precinct Investigations, the Community Response Team and Community Crime Prevention/SAFE Teams. Its service area is bounded by Interstate 35W on the East, Interstate 94 on the North and city limits on the West and South. All Ward 13 neighborhoods fall within its boundaries.

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Apply to be a Minneapolis Firefighter

Beginning January 31, the Minneapolis Fire Department will be accepting applications for new firefighters. The fire department is looking to build a diverse applicant pool as firefighter positions open up in the coming years due to retirements. Applying is the first of several steps in the hiring process. We encourage anyone interested to consider taking this first step to becoming a part of the MFD team.



Applications will be available at any [Minneapolis Fire Station](#) or the Minneapolis Human Resources Office, [250 South 4th Street](#) - Room 100, beginning January 24, 2013. Please visit a location to pick up a copy. Completed applications must then be submitted in-person at the Minneapolis Armory, [1025 Broadway Street Northeast](#). They will be accepted over 3 days only: **January 31, February 1 and February 2**

Applicants must be 18 years of age at the time of application, along with additional criteria. Details about the application and testing process can be found on the [here](#). For further information, contact an MFD Fire Recruiter:

- Melanie Rucker, Fire Captain at Melanie.Rucker@minneapolismn.gov
- Janis Lajon, Human Resources Consultant at Janis.Lajon@minneapolismn.gov

Sign-Up for a 2013 STEP-UP Internship

It's the winter, but it's not too early to start preparing for the summer. Get on board with the city's STEP-UP summer internship program. The City of Minneapolis STEP-UP program trains and matches up youth from low-income or at risk circumstances with Minneapolis businesses to provide valuable on-the-job experience.



Minneapolis youth (ages 14-21) can apply for a summer internship through STEP-UP until March 4, 2013. All applications must be completed [online](#). If assistance is needed, call 612-673-5041 or visit the [STEP-UP page](#) for agencies that offer staff and/or computer assistance. Internships are paid and run 20-40 hours per week for 6-10 weeks from mid-June to August.

Depending on age and skill level, interns may also work in subsidized jobs at a non-profit organizations or employer paid positions in the business community. For questions on this and other parts of the program, please refer to [Frequently Asked Questions](#) or contact [Tammy Dickinson](#) at (612) 673-5041.

Since 2004, STEP-UP has created over 14,000 employment opportunities for Minneapolis youth in the private, public and nonprofit sectors. [Learn more about the success of STEP-UP.](#)

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311 Services for the City

Have a question, request, complaint or compliment? If you haven't tried it already, City of Minneapolis 311 is extra service available to you, the citizen customer. It is quick access to a wide array of essential city services and general information.

Live in Minneapolis? Dial 311 to speak with a representative. Live outside the city? Dial 612-673-3000. Minneapolis 311 is open Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Would you rather inquire online? Visit the [online services page](#) and submit your request. Online services include reporting suspected housing code violations, parking violations, sidewalk structural issues or untreated snow or ice on a sidewalk. More services are added every day.

Have a question now? E-mail Minneapolis311@minneapolismn.gov.



Registration Open for 2013 Minneapolis Safety Camp

Tuesday through Thursday, August 6 to 8 at Theodore Wirth Park

Registration: \$48 (includes transportation from select recreation centers, daily snacks and camp T-shirt)

Minneapolis Safety Camp is a three-day program for youth entering 3rd, 4th, and 5th grades this fall. Minneapolis police officers and firefighters serve as counselors teaching campers personal and social safety skills in a fun environment. Past Safety Camp topics have included animal safety, crime prevention, drug awareness, and much more.

Register online at minneapolisafetycamp.com, or call 612-230-6479.

Presented by Minneapolis Park & Recreation Board, Minneapolis Police, Minneapolis Fire Department, Minneapolis Park Police, and Medica.



Airport Changes

Council Members Hodges and John Quincy (Ward 11) provided an overview and update on the proposed changes to flight paths at MSP airport at the 1/9/2013 Fulton Neighborhood meeting. The FAA is expected to have a response at the next Noise Oversight Committee (NOC) meeting on 1/16. We will send updates out to this Ward list as soon as there is new information to share.

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