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Concerts and March to Celebrate Historic Congregation’s Golden Jubilee of March to New Site in Minneapolis

Commentary
Trails shaped our lives
Betrayed trails harm livability
Betrayal has shaped our lives
We can shape it anew!

BY HARVEY WINJE
Be-trail can be turned upside down! Help Wanted! Will you help? Phillips Community has been betrayed in many ways over the years. This observation is as we begin to discuss the effect of traffic on liveability and how it may be calmed.

Should we blame others and risk waste of energy and a chance to unite our community or should we admit that we all need to take responsibility so we can move beyond finger pointing to solving the difficulties together? Will you help? Will you slow down? Will you take part in a discussion of what will work better?

During Black History Month we were reminded of the African concept of Ubuntu by a recent visit of Naomi Tutu. It is helpful in this regard. According to Michael Onyebuchi Eze, the core of ubuntu can best be summarized as follows: “A person is a person through other people; we are because you are, and since you are, definitely I am. The ‘I am’ is not embedded in my person solely as an individual; my humanity is co-substantively bestowed upon the other and me. Humanity is a quality we owe to each other. We create each other and need to sustain this otherness.

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BY ERIN THOMASSON

Children & Family Programs

Mind Hart Love Lace Book Award

Mar 1–Mar 22. Grades 3-8 can vote for their favorite book! Vote now March 1-22. Read at least 3 nominated titles to be eligible to vote!

Homework Help

7 Wed & Thurs. 3:30-7:30 pm. Free in-person tutoring for K-12 students. No advance sign-up needed.

Family Storytime

Wed, 10:30 am. All ages & their parent or caregiver. Talk, sing, read, write and play together. Share books, stories, rhymes, music & movement.

Teen Programs

Teen Mentoring Club

Tues, 5-7 pm. Franklin Teen Center. We do everything from urban gardening to digital photos/video to theater.

O.P.E.N. Time

Tues, 7-8 pm. Options for Play & Enrichment Now (O.P.E.N.) At Teen Center choose from computers, magazines, board games, video games, brain teasers, conversation with friends.

Game Time!

Wed, Mar 5 & 19, 4:30-5:30 pm. At Teen Center. Each new week; hook up a new or retro gaming system for some teen tournament action. See how you compare with peers when you’re playing 8-bit style!

Movies for Teens

Wed, 6-8 pm. At Teen Center. Movie titles are chosen by teens and integrate graphs and charts to get help creating a résumé, towel your resume, and gain life skills. We are volunteers! No experience needed. Free, one-to-one tutoring for grades 7-12. Practice character & concept development, composition, drawing, inking & coloring. No exp. necessary & materials provided.

Adult Programs

Seniors Play-Reading Group

Fri, Mar 14, 11 am-noon. A stimulating morning of reading and discussion of some of the great plays of our heritage.

55+ Nonfiction Book Club

Fri, Mar 14, 1-3 pm. Discussion of new & interesting nonfiction titles. Bring along your recommendations.

Memoir Writing Group

Thurs, Mar 20, 1–3 pm. Want to create a record of your personal history? Bring what you have written and recommendations.

Phillips Technology Center

Register online for these classes and more at www.hclib.org or call 612-543-6925.

Teen Job Workshop

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St. Paul's Lutheran Park
Challenged by freeways 

by Carolyn Haas

St. Paul's Lutheran Church, at the corner of 19th and Park Av., is a 192-year-old congregation that served for more than forty years in the late 1800's. Its hierarchical form, convenience and dignity.

By Winston Churchill “On the night of May 10, 1941, with one of the last bombs of the serious raids, our House of Commons was destroyed by the violence of the enemy...” For St. Paul's, it's a year of rejoycing and remembering. It's a year of being strongly reminded of God's amazing faithfulness. It's a year to welcome its neighbors. It's a year to celebrate the great things God is doing in the city!

Philipps Church has been betrayed by politicians, bureaucrats and executives scores of times over the decades in many ways. Betrayal through decisions of trails, streets and freeways has run rampant along 26th and 28th streets faster than is legal and safe?

“Restore form, convenience and dignity.”

Choosing what will work best for specific locations requires a wide assortment of people representing different needs and having varying opinions to be involved in the process of assessing and design. Planning professionals are an important resource. Drivers, pedestrians, cyclists, and the House must be included in the resolution to make our neighborhood safe, sane and more livable.

Coalesced action is forming - a conglomeration of people - that would reverse this betrayal of our trails, streets and freeways. See the article on page four by Jim Frazee, Planning Director and the House must be included in the resolution to make our neighborhood safe, sane and more livable.

The Old House of Commons was rebuilt in 1950 in its old form and remains insufficient to seat all those who worship. St. Paul's Church was against “giving each member a desk to sit at and a lid to bang” because, said former mayor, “the House would be mostly empty most of the time; at worst, critical votes and moments, it would fill capacity if members spilling out into the aisles, in his view a suitable "sense of crowd and urgency." October 4

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**The Intra-Neighborhood Freeways**

### How about Traffic Calming Initiatives?

**BY MIDTOWN PHILLIPS NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION**

26th & 28th Streets have increased their traffic count over the years.

Cars speed through so fast, no one in the neighborhood can get across these streets anymore by car, by bike, or by foot. There are periods during the day when these streets are impassable going north to south. The amount of pollution stirred up is unbearable. Dirt collects on the sidewalks of houses within 1/2 block of 26th & 28th, blocking the sun and causing it to be frequently washed. So, with that amount of collection visible on the sidewalks...what is happening to the Ave, and the street from St. Paul’s Housing needing to cross east 28th street. We would like to work with the City and other partners to create Traffic Calming initiatives which may include a crosswalk at Stew Park and back up to pedestrians crossing light with arm & signing across 26th. We are also concerned about crossing stop lights. We need to have signage indicating that there is a School and Playground Area ahead, as there may be children walking to and from school, and 12th Avenues complete with the safety and signage issues that come with this. These neighborhoods concern pedestrian safety has risen as people need green places to go to; where they are close they use them. But if the greens are more than three minutes away, the distance overwhelms the need. – Pattern Language, Alexander & others

As Wells Fargo, Children’s Hospital, and Allina have continued to grow, the amount of traffic going thru our neighborhood has also continued to grow.

We need the traffic calmed, we need the neighborhood to enhance the pedestrian and biking experience, and most importantly, we need the green streets to be drawing us into our community to think about transit and car sharing, to think about our health, to think about our neighborhood.

Recently, Midtown Phillips Neighborhood Association, Inc. wrote a grant to the City of Minneapolis with Traffic Calming as its #1 priority. Here is the language, in part, from that grant:

> Midtown Phillips will continue to explore Traffic Calming Initiatives.

### Greenway Heights affordable rental apartments

**EPIC’s 12 years of work: Shovels in the ground**

**BY CAROL PASS**

Greenway Heights, the only affordable family rental apartments on the Midtown Greenway, is under construction at 2845 Bloomington Avenue and extending north from the Greenway to 16th Avenue.

East Phillips Improvement Coalition worked for 12 years to get as close to what the neighborhood residents wanted: affordability, low density, family housing.

When the proposed projects were usually so hard and long; or some just slide through? Kathy Wetzel of partner PRG said “they are usually hard and long like this one.” We are glad we didn’t know that at the outset.

The history of this project is long and convoluted with many characters that drifted in and out. The initial effort to purchase the land occurred when the East Phillips Commons redevelopment project began in 2002. The City staff and the City council originally intended the City to provide the land and the City would then purchase the land. The City staff intended the City to purchase the land and the project would be sold to a developer.

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February 2, 2014, the same day as Manhattan apartment on Sunday, of an overdose of heroin in his rare status of an actor’s actor, Mr. Philip Seymour Hoffman, died for Oyate Nipi Kte, an organization, and empowering people Dakota traditional knowledge & education dedicated to the recovery of Waziyatawin and Oyate Nipi Kte.

Dinner & Dialogue with Waziyatawin and Oyate Nipi Kte

March 16, 5pm
3100 Elliot Ave S, MPLS
$10 - $100 suggested donation (no one will be turned away)
RSVP by Mar. 10 to (651) 233-3100
1113 E. Franklin Ave.
www.mariascafe.com

Waziyatawin is a Dakota writer, teacher, and activist from the Pezihutazizi Otunwe (Yellow Medicine Village) in southwestern Minnesota. She is committed to the pursuit of Indigenous liberation and the protection and reclamation of Indigenous homelands and ways of being. She earned her PhD in American history from Cornell University and has held tenured positions at Arizona State University and the University of Virginia where she also held the Indigenous Peoples Research Chair in the Indigenous Governance Program. Waziyatawin is the author or co-editor of six volumes, including the recently co-edited volume with Michael Yellow Bird entitled For Indigenous Minds Only: A Decolonization Handbook (SAR Press, 2012). She lives in her home community in the beautiful Minnesota River Valley.

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MayDay Community Meeting March 25
In other news, our second MayDay community meeting will be March 25th, from 7-9pm, at the Avalon Theatre, 1500 E. Lake St.

Saturday Matinees for Kids

Saturday Puppet Shows for Kids run from October through March
All Shows at 10 am & noon in HOBT’s Avalon Theater lobby
Come for the show and stay for the “Make-n-Take” workshop based on that day’s puppet show theme. Workshops are a family activity offered in our classroom each Saturday morning at 11:00 AM. Admission is $5 per person.

Details:
- $2 suggested donation for youth who live or go to school in the Central, Corcoran, Phillips or Powderhorn neighborhoods, and their families.
Turn, Turn, Turn

rang the words of his banjo. In the prime years
of his life, so it followed, the “authorities” did
their best to bound and to black-
list him.

But there was no way
they could stop Pete. No.
His rendering of “We Shall Overcome” was to
become the anthem of the Freedom
Movement. Then later, in
the period of the Vietnam
War, his “Waist Deep in the
Big Muddy” would break
through on national television: For
members of my generation, there
remains the awesome memory of
the church camp songs of our
youth. They were Pete Seeger’s
gift to our spiritual development.

Imagine Pete descending a con-
cert stage, walking up to a would-
be assassin, and singing “Where
Have All the Flowers Gone.”
The soldier began to weep…
“Pete Seeger is one of the best
Americans and patriots I know” –
Johnny Cash. “Some artists make
music history, Pete made history
with his music”. – President Bill
Clinton.

In my own words: Through the
eyes of Christ he saw there two
rebellious slaves, crucified upon
the same hill.

Final words he sings:
To my old brown Earth
and to my own blue sky
I now give back to you
the last few molecules
of I

Pete left the Communist Party
in the early 1950s. Nonetheless,
he never wavered from his beliefs.
I have every right to claim him as
my comrade – and so do you.

Note: a documentary of Pete
Seeger’s life can be found by
searching “TPT The Power of
Song”

Frank Reflections
Racist stereotyping and profiling
detract apprehension of real perpetrators

BY FRANK ERICKSON

Imagine if the FBI was spying
on, or as our media calls it “moni-
toring,” young white college and
high school age students as poten-
tial future terrorists. Think of
the outrageous white parents would
have if the FBI was viewing their
children as potential violent ter-
rors… and this being done
based only on ethnicity. Yet this
is exactly what is being done
to local young people in the Somali
community.

The January 20th Star Tribune
has two articles about our Somali
community in it. A front page
article about “Visa backlog keeps
Somali families separated” and a
Los Angeles Times article reprint-
ed, titled “Al-Qaeda is again
active in the U.S. Somalis from
Minnesota are among potential
recruits the FBI monitors.”

As I run around South
Minneapolis, I see young people
of many different ethnic back-
grounds, yet I see one common
bond, they are all the same! They
all have their phone things, they
all like hanging out with friends,
they all like junk food, Cheetos
seems to be a staple… and all
of them do not dress properly.

What way…in a positive way, no,
what way…in a positive way…
the outrage white parents would
be fighting terrorism and practic-
ing it?

As usual, whites do not trust
children or potential violent ter-
ist act. Were people from Norway
killed over 100 people in a terror-
ist act. Were people from Norway
having to work extra hard to prove
that they were “monitoring” that
terrorist because of their ethnic-
ity?

Racist stereotyping and profiling
detract apprehension of real perpetrators.
In 2009, the Backyard Initiative completed a Community Health Needs Assessment. An assessment team was formed to create a picture of the current state of health and well-being of residents in the Backyard, engage a broad network of resident in the process, and inform and plan the next steps for the BYI. The assessment team included community residents, staff from Allina Health, the Cultural Wellness Center and Wilder Research.

Based on the BYI Definition of Health and the Community Assessment, the following Priority Areas were identified:

- Perceived stress: the degree to which situations in one’s life are appraised as stressful.
- Social support: the emotional, instrumental, and financial aid that is obtained from one’s social network. Support is generally considered as an exchange or transaction between people.
- Social cohesion: a feeling that members of a group have of belonging, a feeling that members matter to one another and to the group, and a shared faith that members’ needs will be met through their commitment to be together.
- Healthy literacy: people’s knowledge, motivation, and competencies to access, understand, appraise and apply health information in order to make judgments and make decisions concerning healthcare.
- Patient activation: the concept that patients have important roles to play in self-managing care, collaborating with providers, and maintaining their health.

The BYI RESEARCH PLAN is designed to collect, analyze, and interpret health-related data identified as being important to the Backyard Community, and to disseminate the findings back to the Community, to stakeholders, and to those in other communities who could learn and benefit from our work. Collecting and analyzing this information will add to our understanding of these health-related areas in Backyard Community and may be used to inform ongoing and future BYI activities and research.

WHERE: Survey Locations
- Cultural Wellness Center: BYI Survey Host Orientation Session
- Midtown Global Market: BYI All Community Health Action Team meeting
- Cultural Wellness Center: Dakota and African-American participants
- Phillips Community Center: A Partnership Of Diabetics (A-POD) Diabetes Breakfast- English and Spanish speaking sessions
- Safari Restaurant: Project S.E.L.F (Save. Educate. Liberate. Free.) Somali and East African residents
- Powderhorn Park Center: Out in the Backyard: Zumba class- English and Spanish speaking session
- Hope Community Residents

Attendance
- 260 people attended the BYI Survey Sessions
- 239 people took the BYI Community Health Survey
- 206 people completed the BYI Community Health Survey

Recommendations Stemming from the Community Health Survey
Recommendations for further study and activity were developed based on the BYI Analysis Team’s discussion and interpretation of the results from the BYI Community Health Survey. The BYI Community Commission on Health will review the findings and consider these recommendations in 2014 as it continues to pay attention to the community’s health, build the community’s capacity for taking responsibility for its own health, and supporting solutions for maintaining and improving health.

THE WHAT-Sample Findings: Table 2. Social Cohesion - Sense of Community
Participant responses to the “Social Cohesion” questions of the BYI Community Health Survey sorted by gender.

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<th>Question</th>
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<td>I think my neighborhood is a good place for me to live.</td>
<td>79%</td>
<td>21%</td>
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<td>I can recognize most of the people who live in my neighborhood.</td>
<td>57%</td>
<td>43%</td>
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<td>I care about what my neighbors think of my actions.</td>
<td>70%</td>
<td>30%</td>
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<td>If there is a problem in this neighborhood; people who live here can get it solved.</td>
<td>68%</td>
<td>32%</td>
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<td>It is very important to me to live in this particular neighborhood.</td>
<td>64%</td>
<td>36%</td>
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<td>I expect to live in this neighborhood for a long time.</td>
<td>62%</td>
<td>38%</td>
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*Questions on tables 2 & 3 come from the Survey of Community Indicators developed by Chavis (1986).
**Participants are required to select “Disagree Not to Answer” or “Don’t Know” for the Social Cohesion questions, the number of “Disagree Not to Answer” responses ranged from 29.2 to 29.3 per question and missing responses ranged from 3.4 to 8.3 per question.

WHO Conducted and Interpreted the Community Health Survey?
BYI Commission and Assessment Team
- Survey Deployment
- Recruitment and Participation
- Communication of Findings
- Recruitment and participation of Croatia

Allina Health Research
- Survey Administration
- Data Management
- Communication of Findings

Cultural Wellness Center
- Training and Support
- Advice on Research Plan
- Survey Administration
- Community Engagement
- Communication of Findings

BYI Area
- Complete Community Health Survey reports are available upon request at Cultural Wellness Center 2025 Portland Ave Minneapolis, MN 55407 612-721-5745