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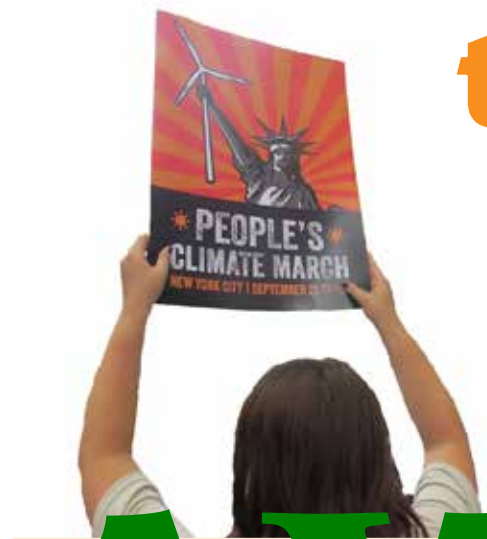
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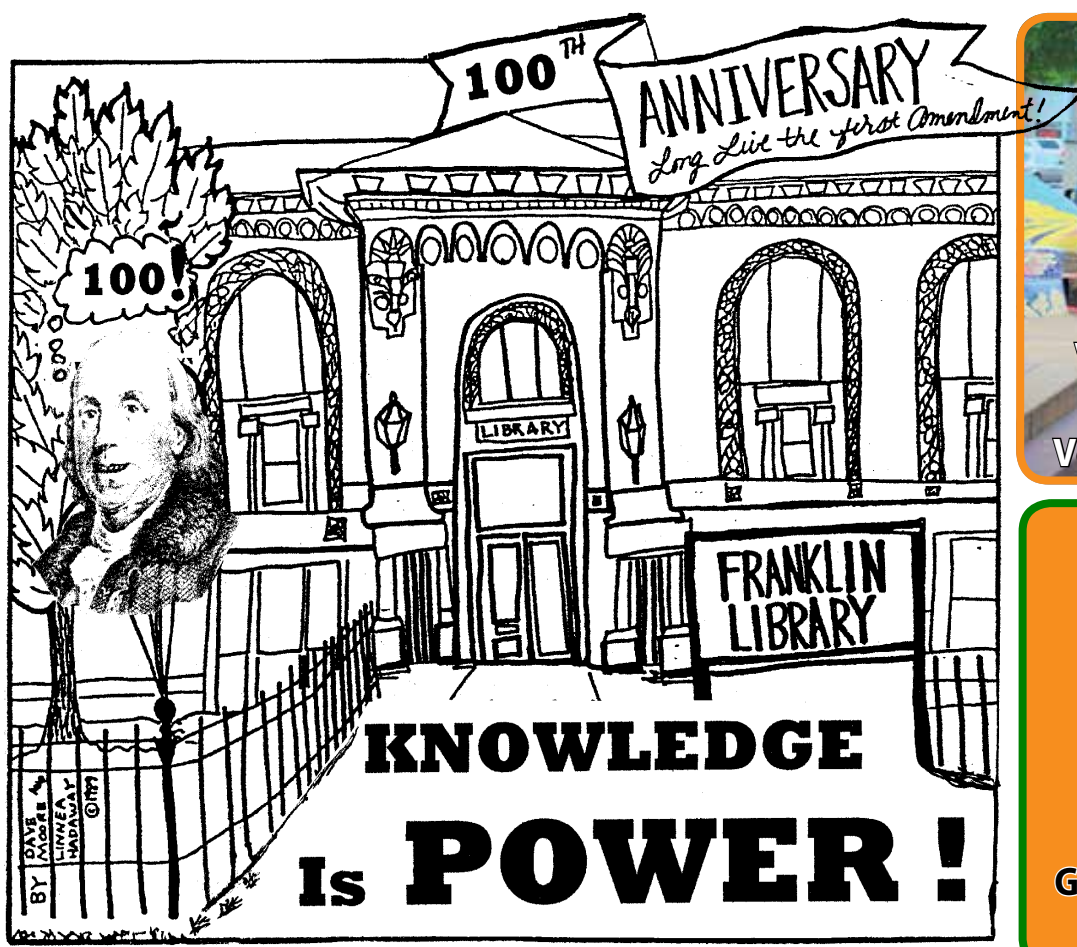
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**Children & Family Programs K-12 K-12 Homework Help**  
Tues, Wed & Thurs, 3:30-7:30 pm. Free in-person tutoring for K-12 students. No advance sign-up needed.

**Family Storytime**

**Fridays at 10:30 am.** All ages and their parent or caregiver. Talk, sing, read, write & play together in a format appropriate for young children. Share books, stories, rhymes, music and movement.

**Childcare Group Storytime**

**Fri, Oct. 3, 9:30-10 am**

Talk, sing, read, write & play together in a format appropriate for the children in your care. Share books, stories, rhymes, music & movement.

**STEM Exploration Day**

**Sat, Oct. 18, 2-4 pm.** Required registration online or 612-543-6925. Grade 1 and up with a caregiver. Learn together by creating a sound sandwich, experimenting with rainbow glasses & building a bridge.

**Franklin Teen Center Programs**

**4-H Mentoring Club**

**Tues, 5-7 pm.** We do everything from urban gardening to digital photo/video to theater.

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9am -8pm

Sun: 12-5pm

100th Anniversary Open House

Saturday, Oct. 11, 1-5 p.m.

Celebrate Franklin Library's

100 years of community service including historic

exhibits, slide show,

open mike & photo booth fun

for all ages.

nity? Bring friends & come for poetry, arts, games and more!

**Adult Programs**

**Job Search Assistance**

**Wed.thru Nov. 26, 2-4 p.m.**

Seeking new employment or re-entering the workforce? Do you need help looking for a job, filling out applications or writing your résumé? Free one-to-one assistance with a job search representative.

**Seniors Play-Reading Group**

**Fri, Oct. 10, 11 am.** Join a

stimulating morning of reading & discussion of some of the great plays of our heritage.

**55+ Nonfiction Book Club**

**Fri, Oct. 10, 1 pm**

Join discussion of new & interesting nonfiction titles. Bring along your recommendations for future meetings. Info: 612-543-6925.

**Education Alternatives**

**Discussion**

**Mon, Oct. 13, 1-2 pm.** Join discussion of persistent problems in education & possible solutions.

The discussion will be linked to a related blog with the objective of generating critical commentary & encouraging fresh approaches to meeting educational needs.

**Memoir Writing Group**

**Thurs, Oct. 16, 1-3 pm**

Want to create a record of your personal history? Bring what you have written & are willing to read to the group for helpful advice.

**Franklin Learning Center:**

612-534-6934

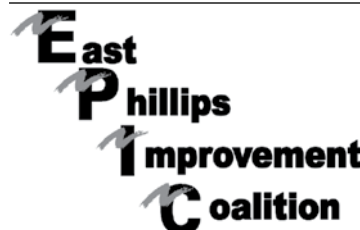
Free, one-to-one tutoring for adults who are learning English & math, preparing for the GED & citizenship exams, & gaining life skills. We are always looking for community volunteers! No experience necessary; we provide training and materials.

## Phillips West Neighborhood Upcoming Events

www.phillipswest.info

**October 2<sup>nd</sup> (Thursday) 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. Community Meeting!**

Join your neighbors and other Community Partners for updates from City, Business Partners, Residents, & Mpls. Police at Changing Lives -- Centrum Room (2400 Park Ave.). Free parking at rear of building. Free pizza & beverages. Info: or to get involved please contact Crystal 612-879-5383 or pwno2005@yahoo.com



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Agenda: crime initiatives & updates on continuing neighborhood projects.

\*Boundaries

Lake St.- South, Bloomington

Ave. - West, East 24<sup>th</sup> St.- North

Hiawatha Ave (Hwy. 55) -East.

Residents, business & property owners, employees of businesses in East Phillips are welcome and encouraged to participate.

**EPIC Board of Directors** meets:

Sat. October 4<sup>th</sup> 10:00 AM

**EPIC General Membership**

**Meets** Thurs. October 9<sup>th</sup> 6:30 PM

East Phillips Park Cultural &

Community Center



Dallas Johnson

## IV Annual Bridging Festival & Shenanigrins IV

BY DALLAS JOHNSON

The Fourth Annual Bridging Festival and Shenanigrins event on Sunday Sept 21st was such a blast on and near the 24th Street Pedestrian Bridge over 35W and nearby. The day began with Blue Lady sitting in the festooned Happy Stories chair as we debuted the "Anyday Parade," driving around the neighborhood, inviting kids to join the fun. Within minutes, our spot was bustling with hula hoop contests and foot races for great prizes (compliments of the Hennepin Theater Trust and my awesome mom), costumes, face painting, Buddy Goodfellow's Musical Carpet Ride, pizza, dancing and lots more. Several kids have become seasoned Bridging Fest-goers and there were lots of first-timers too. What a wonderful, happy, sunny day.

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# VENTURA VILLAGE NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

VENTURA MEANS HAPPINESS & GOOD LUCK TO YOU! BUENA VENTURA!

**Ventura Village's General Membership Meeting - Wednesday, October 11th at 7:00 PM**

## This is where we live!



**SATURDAY • OCTOBER 11TH — 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM**  
Starting @ Welna Hardware & Center For Changing Lives  
Ending @ Stewart Park for Lunch w/Socializing Activities  
For Contact Information: Phillips HotLine @ 952-996-6490

## How about a year-long “clean-sweep”?

Volunteering in the community is one of the *Blue Zones* activities that can help promote wellness. But if it becomes a permanent routine, it also might address some additional challenges as well. Our neighborhood has many immigrant elders and older people who came to our country without learning to read or write their own language, let alone English here in Minnesota. But many want to do some activities that contribute to the neighborhood and get them engaged in our wider community. We are looking to see if we can help develop a street clean-up program similar to what you see downtown on Nicollet Mall in which trained “Ambassadors” keep the sidewalks and streets tidy and showing our visitors a group of friendly faces! The details on how we can provide a small financial incentive while providing an opportunity for some to become engaged even before they become competent with a new language. Stay tuned!



### VENTURA VILLAGE'S MONTHLY COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE:

**2nd Wednesdays: BOARD OF DIRECTORS: 6:00 PM**

**2nd Wednesdays: GENERAL MEMBERSHIP: 7:00 PM**

**1st Tuesdays: COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE: 5:30 PM**

**1st Tuesdays: WELLNESS, GREENING & GARDENING: 6:30 PM**

**3rd Thursdays: BUSINESS COMMITTEE: 6:00 PM**

**Last Thursdays: HOUSING & LAND USE COMMITTEE: 5:30 PM**

**Last Thursdays: CRIME & SAFETY COMMITTEE: 6:30 PM**

**PARKS COMMITTEE MEETINGS: Call for next meeting time.**

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS: Call for next meeting time.**

## What if Phillips became a new Blue Zone?

If you ask what Albert Lea, Minnesota has in common with Okinawa, Sardinia, Italy; Loma Linda, California, Ikaria, Greece; Nicoya, Costa Rica, it's that all but Albert Lea are already *Blue Zones* and Albert Lea is trying to become one! *Blue Zones* are where people around the globe have the largest percentage of people living to 100 or more years of age. As reported in the November 2005 issue of *National Geographic*, “For the first time in living history, the next generation of Americans could live shorter lives than the previous one. The culprit: childhood obesity and ailments such as diabetes and heart disease that result from it later in life. Some are paying attention!



An Old man in Sardinia. Courtesy of Wikipedia

Many folks in Albert Lea have joined together to help become a *Blue Zone* by adopting as many of the secrets of longevity observed in those population pockets of longest-living people that the Twin Cities-based *Blue Zones Project* by Healthways is helping promote and adopt. These principles are: 1. Move Naturally; 2. Know Your Purpose; 3. Down Shift; 4. Adopt an 80% [Eating] Rule; 5. Eat According to a Plant Slant; 6. Drink some Wine @ 5:00; 7. Be Part of the Right Tribe [surrounded by others who share a positive view of life]; 8. Community: Be Part of It; 9. Put Loved Ones First. In order to help implement these nine lifestyle habits, they are assisting some communities in developing five strategies to help give a focus to these wellness efforts. These are: 1. City Environmental changes; 2. Finding Volunteer Opportunities; 3. Creating Healthier Workplaces; 4. Making Healthy Choices Easier; 5. Growing Social Circles; and 6. Joining Group Activities.

Through efforts of Allina's Backyard Initiative and the neighborhoods of Greater Phillips, many of these ideas are already being implemented. Indeed, one of the commonalities of the *Blue Zones* that Phillips does not enjoy is a primarily singular demographic. We live in an area that some say is the most culturally-diverse in the state. But this should be considered just a greater challenge, instead of a reason **not** to proceed with community-wide efforts.

I'm looking for a group of Greater Phillips residents willing to examine the whole *Blue Zones Project* and help determine whether we could formally engage in community-wide wellness efforts based on these major principles. If you are interested in some dialogue, Google “**Blue Zones**” or contact me at [ralbee4045@aol.com](mailto:ralbee4045@aol.com). Let's see what we can adopt and implement!



Kids of all ages were attracted to house-mounted police officers who provided a mobile petting & friendly engagement experience for residents attending our PV Park Celebration.





Foreman Percy Gould & dog perhaps at Rosenquist Co., 1008 E. Franklin Ave.

On September 19, 1918, Dr. H. M. Guilford, Minneapolis' City Health Commissioner, declared that the Spanish Influenza epidemic "does not exist in Minneapolis and never has." That didn't mean that he didn't expect it to appear. He warned that it would probably reach the city later in the fall.

One week later, on September 26, 1918, the Minneapolis Tribune reported the first case of influenza in Minnesota. Four days later, there were 150 reported cases in Minneapolis alone. By mid-October over 400 new cases were being reported in the city every day.



## No Flu cases Sept '18, 400 Daily Oct '18

Percy and Nellie (Carlson) Gould amongst 199 deaths in 3 months

The early cases involved soldiers or military men in training. Soldiers were hospitalized at Fort Snelling while the men who were in training on the University Campus went to the University Hospital and those from the naval training program at Dunwoody were quarantined in the West Hotel. Men who had finished their training and were prepared to move to other military camps around the country had nowhere to go—influenza had spread to 43 of the 48 states and military hospitals were overflowing with sick and dying soldiers.

Health department officials took a number of steps to try and slow the spread of the disease. Minneapolis soldiers who died on military bases around the country could be brought home for burial but coffins had to remain sealed during funerals. Local hospitals were in virtual quarantine; only close relatives of patients who were thought to be dying were allowed to visit. President Burton delayed the start of fall semester classes at the University indefinitely. Public drinking fountains were altered to meet new health standards. Shaking hands was discouraged. Streetcars were required to keep at least three windows open at all times. The City Council unanimously approved an ordinance that required all schools, churches, poolrooms, dance halls, movie houses and theatres to be closed indefinitely as of midnight

### Tales from Pioneers & Soldiers Cemetery

SUE HUNTER WEIR  
117<sup>TH</sup> IN A SERIES

on October 12th. Oddly, saloons were allowed to remain open but police were ordered to prohibit patrons from gathering or loitering in them.

In a period of four months, from September to December, 199 people in Minneapolis died from Spanish influenza. Ten of them were buried in Minneapolis Pioneers and Soldiers Cemetery.

Percy Gould and his wife Nellie were among them. Percy Gould was born in Wisconsin in 1876. He was living in Minnesota, working as a day laborer, as early as 1900. In 1901, he married Florence Rathbun. They had two sons, Walter and Irving. Florence died from tuberculosis on April 4,

1907; she was 24 years old.

In July 1909, Percy married Nellie Carlson. For reasons that are not entirely clear, his two sons from his first marriage were placed in the Washburn Home for Children. It may be that he was not able to support them; in the 1910 federal census his occupation was listed as "odd jobs." His fortunes seem to have improved and by 1915 he was employed as a foreman for Rosenquist Fuel and Transfer Company, a business located at 1008 East Franklin Avenue. His good fortune did not last long. On October 19, 1918 Nellie became one of the casualties of the epidemic; she was 30 years old. Eight days later, on October 27th, Percy died, also from influenza; he was 42 years old. He and Nellie are buried in Lot 68 Block M.

Flu season is coming soon. Be prepared for it by getting a flu shot.

## COMING SOON! "The Thing from Another World" to a Cemetery near you!

Join us at Mpls Pioneers and Soldiers Cemetery (Cedar Ave. & Lake St.) Wed., October 8, 2014, for **"The Thing from Another World,"** a cult classic. Gates open at 5:30. The film begins at dusk (around 7 p.m.). Taco Taxi will be there serving their wonderful food. Bring a lawn chair or blanket. Tickets are \$8 for adults, kids under 12 admitted free. All proceeds go to the fence restoration fund. Cash or checks are fine but we aren't set up for credit/debit payments. This benefit showing is a joint venture between All Star Video, Trylon Roadshow and Friends of the Cemetery. The cemetery is on several bus lines & near the Lake Street LRT stop. Bike racks are available. Parking along Cedar Ave, after 6 p.m. & along sidestreets.



### OCTOBER Midtown Phillips Board Meeting:

**Tuesday October 14, 6:30-8pm.** Stewart Park (Arts & Crafts Room), 2700 12<sup>th</sup> Ave S, Minneapolis

– Presentation and discussion on 2015 budget (30 min.)

– Plan to engage local block clubs for collective discussion on crime. (30 min.)

– Update on Hiring of Staff person (30 min.)

### More details on the Phillips Clean Sweep

New 2nd year: Pick up VOUCHERS for a free Welna Pumpkin AND a discount at Maria's Café  
Organize your neighbors - Enlist your Block Club -  
Recruit your Church Youth Group  
ABOVE ALL, Bring yourself and your Family & Sweep Phillips Clean!

IMPORTANT: Household items, tires, TVs, etc.  
MUST be at your regular garbage pick-up spot by 9:00 AM Saturday.

YELLOW bags for Trash • CLEAR bags for Recyclables • Pick up BAGS at either breakfast site

Do Not Miss This! Your once-a-year opportunity to UNLOAD; Tires, Household Construction Materials, Old Furniture, Electronics - and Meet your Neighbors, Eat & Have FUN

DO NOT unload; Car Batteries, oil or car parts, contractor construction materials, paint, hazardous waste or liquids  
Contact Hennepin Cnty. At 612-348-3777 for their safe disposal.

NOTE: Appliances, yard waste & Leaves will be picked up on your next recycling or garbage day. Leave them in your regular Pick-Up spot. For more information call the Clean Sweep Hot-Line --- 952-996-6490

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## PHILLIPS CLEAN SWEEP SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2014

**9am-10am**

**Free Breakfast, Sign In, Pick-Up Supplies  
& FREE 2014 Clean Sweep T-Shirt**

**2 LOCATIONS:**

- Welna Ace Hardware Parking Lot – 2438 Bloomington Ave S
- Lutheran Social Services – 2400 Park Ave S (enter on 24th St)

**9am-12pm**

**Phillips Clean Sweep!**

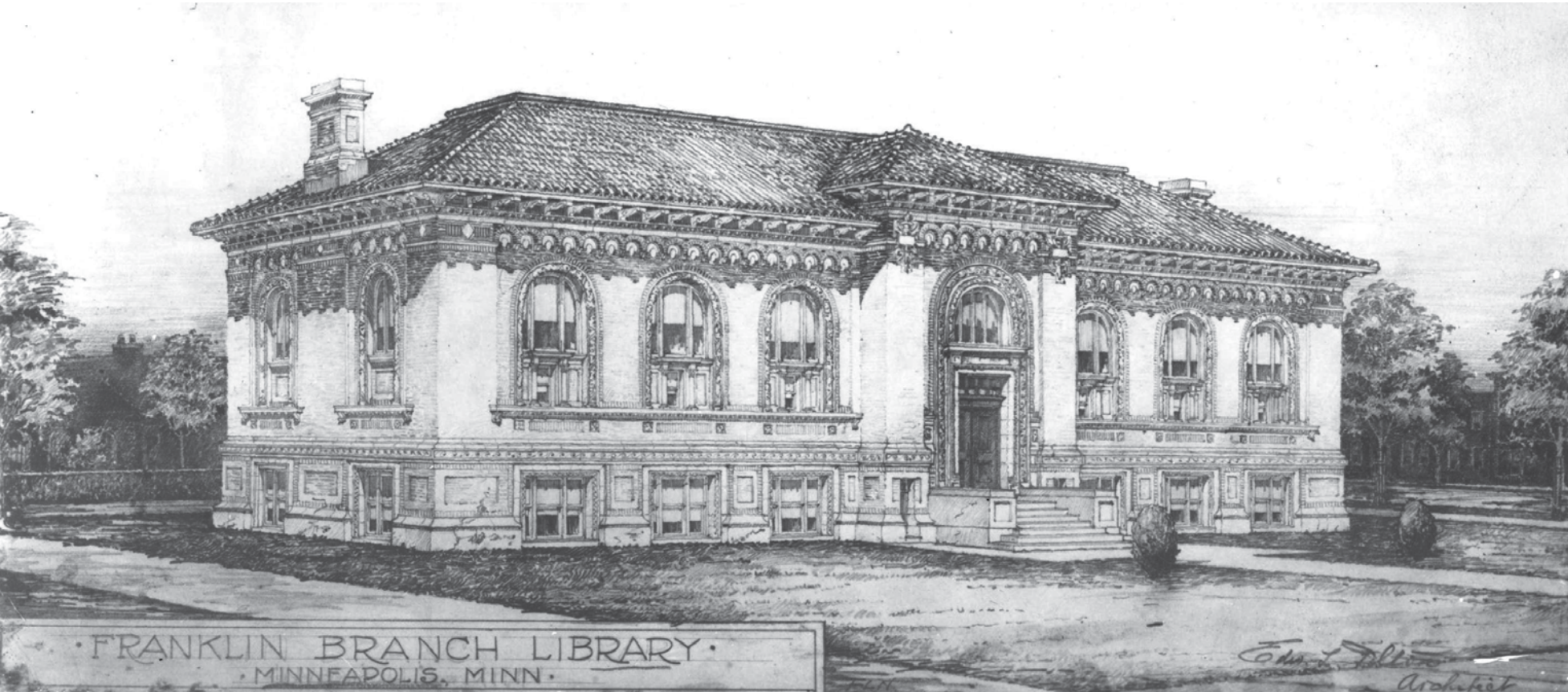
**12pm-2pm**

**Free Lunch, Entertainment, Neighborhood Information  
at Stewart Park – 2700 12th Ave S)**

**FFI: call 952-996-6490**







Albert Einstein tells us that “the only thing that you absolutely need to know, is the location of the library.” That’s easy; our Library is at 1314 East Franklin Avenue since 1914. Twenty-four years previous it was within the A.J.Bernier Building-17th and East Franklin Avenue.

Who’s Who at the Franklin Library

Newly arrived, Cassie Warholm-Wohlenhaus, delves into service and archives

BY ERIN THOMASSON

“This is your library,” says Cassie Warholm-Wohlenhaus, “and we’re here to serve you, the community.” Cassie is Franklin Community Library’s newest librarian, having joined the staff in March of this year. She is passionate about Franklin Library and the community it serves – young and old, Native and non-Native, immigrant and long-time resident alike. “Franklin was my top choice of libraries to work in,” explains

Cassie. “It’s a well-used library, with a collection of books and other materials in languages relevant to the local people, including Somali, Oromo, Spanish and Arabic.” She especially appreciates the Library’s location in the midst of the Native American community. Cassie recently attended a back-to-school resource fair at Little Earth of United Tribes to promote library services, and would like to see more programs and partnerships with both the

Native and Somali communities. Cassie is also excited about working with young people, and she staffs the Franklin Teen Center in the evenings. “I see a lot of positive changes in the youth who come to the library,” Cassie remarks. Working with youth at the library builds on her experience as a Peace Corps volunteer from 2008-2010, when she taught at a village school in Armenia. Her time in the Peace Corps deepened her commitment to public service and social justice.

ries, photos and details about life in the Phillips community during the past century. She can’t wait to share what she and the other library staff have uncovered at the 100th Anniversary Open House, to be held at Franklin Library on Saturday, October 11. Cassie and the staff of the Franklin Community Library encourage the community to celebrate its 100th Anniversary and “claim the Library as your own!”



Cassie Warholm-Wohlenhaus

MAY-DAY

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“One day I woke up and just knew what I wanted to do with my life,” she remembers. “I suddenly realized that I wanted to be a librarian!” After completing her time in the Peace Corps, Cassie studied at the University of Wisconsin at Madison, graduating with a Master’s Degree in Archival Administration. Her experience working with library archives was put to use almost immediately at Franklin Library as staff there have been preparing to celebrate the Library’s 100th anniversary. Cassie has been working on an historical exhibit, combing through 100 years of annual reports written by Library staff for interesting sto-

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First staff at Franklin library, circa 1914.



Paul and Sheila Wellstone, honorary librarians, during their visit to Franklin Library in 1997.



# Ingebretsen's Fall Events Encompass the Traditional to the Trending

*Drinking horns, aquavit, lutefisk (pictured below), Runestone history,, bees, wax and soy candles*



BY CARSTENS SMITH

October 4 to 11 is Sale Week for Ingebretsen's, an event that kicks off a series of talks, presentations, and demonstrations that celebrate both beloved traditions and emerging trends.

The art of the Viking era lives on with metalsmith Frank Vinson and his son, Spirit. The Vinsons make drinking horns and knives, intricately decorated with Viking-age designs. Spirit will speak on the history of drinking horns and the process of making one on Saturday, October 4 at 1:30. Both Vinsons will be at the store all day to speak with people individually about their handcrafted items.

Food traditionalists will enjoy a talk by Chris Dorff, the president of Olsen Fish Company, the world's largest lutefisk company. Chris will explain how lutefisk became associated with Christmas dinners, how it is processed, and the best was to prepare it. Olsen Fish Company also processes several flavors of pickled herring, which are carried by Ingebretsen's. Samples will be available. Chris will be at the store on Friday, October 10 at 1 pm. (Please call the store for reservations, 612.729.9333. The event is free, but we want to be sure to have a seat for you.)

One way to perk up a lagging conversation is to toss in a mention of the Kensington Runestone. Father and daughter researchers, Robert G. Johnson and Janey Westin have written *The Last Kings of Norse America*, *Runestone Keys to a Lost Empire*. They will speak about their research on an expedition sent to North America, decreed in 1354 by King Magnus of Norway and Sweden in an attempt to restore the lost fur and goods trade. Keys to this research are the author's complete and rigorous translations of the Kensington and Spirit Pond runestones. Their conclusions will give you new arguments about an old, but favorite, topic. The authors will be at Ingebretsen's on Thursday, October 9 at 2 p.m.

Distilled spirits have exploded in popularity and a new generation is developing an appreciation of the complex flavors they offer. Mike McCarron of Gamle Ode Aquavit will talk about the "water of life," its centuries-old traditions and contemporary ideas for incorporating Gamle Ode's selection of aquavits into cocktails and foods for seasonal entertaining. Join Mike on Saturday, October 4 at 2:00.

Bees are everyone's concern. Margarete Lucht will share her vast knowledge of bees and will demonstrate making beeswax candles on Friday, October 10 from 10:00 to 1:00. She will talk with customers about the importance of bees and how you can contribute to their survival. Beeswax and soy candles produce far fewer by-products than petroleum-based candles and are free of phthalates and other synthetic ingredients that create harmful fumes. Local candlemakers rareEARTH will be at the store from 2:00 to 4:00 with their line of soy candles made with essential oils.

Food samples will be available daily throughout Sale Week and programming will continue through December. To learn about all of Ingebretsen's events, please stop by the store for a flyer at 1601 E. Laket Street or visit the web site, [www.ingebretsens.com](http://www.ingebretsens.com).



Here's your chance to see your work in print!

The Semilla Arts Program of St. Paul's Lutheran Church is publishing the "Phoenix of Phillips" literary magazine in Fall, 2014. All writers—of any level—

who live or work in Phillips are encouraged to submit their poetry, short stories (up to 1500 words) and essays for possible publication.

Work may be submitted in languages other than Spanish or English, if accompanied by English translation.

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## ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN

November 2 Homecoming Sunday  
10:00 & 12:00 Worship  
11:15 Brunch

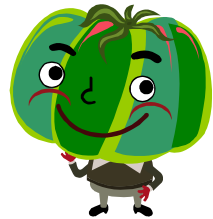
2742 15th Ave South  
Call 612-724-3862 for more info

## Twin Cities high school students departing to attend the People's Climate March on Sunday, Sept. 21, 2014.



Ten high school students, 5 of them from South High, joined 6 bus loads of Minnesotans to be part of this country's largest climate march ever held in this country. The students were part of Act! MN, a project coordinated by the Will Steger Foundation. The Foundation provided a staff person to support their efforts and attend the March with them. The students were part of the very well attended 80 block-long March where it is estimated that over 400,000 people gathered in NYC bringing the total to well over 675,000 around the world for this significant, history making moment. Hats off to these students!

## 14th Annual Green Tomato Cook-Off!!



Thursday, October 16th, 2014

St. Paul's Lutheran Church  
2742 - 15th Ave So. 55407  
6:00-8:00 pm



Doors open 6 PM

Contest entries must be received by 6:15PM  
Cash prizes for best of 3 categories and overall



Join us for a gathering of gardeners from the TC Metro and beyond. Celebrate the end of the community gardening season.

Ways to participate:

- Free event with good will donations accepted at the door
    - Help out at the event
    - Make a green tomato dish
  - Compete for prizes: Savory, Sweets and Sauces/Condiments OR
    - Just show up and eat
- ALL ARE WELCOME

INFO:

[cpslovac@msn.com](mailto:cpslovac@msn.com) or 612-871-0910



# 99%

## Celebrate 3 years of Occupy

Tuesday, October 7, 2014

Before the Gathering  
Join Walker Community Church  
for a free community meal at 5:30 pm  
in the Dining Hall (upstairs)

The Gathering:  
Walker Community UMC  
3104 16<sup>th</sup> Ave, S  
Minneapolis

In the Sanctuary at 6:30 pm  
All are welcome  
Open discussion  
Where do we go from here?

Hosted by Occupy Elders

**Saturday Puppet Shows for Kids**  
All Shows at 10 am & noon in  
HOBT's Avalon Theater lobby in  
October!

1500 East Lake St.  
612-721-2535 [hobt.org](http://hobt.org)  
\$8 suggested donation for adult  
or pay what you can

# Warblers of the World

Flitting about within the fronds of my garden's crimson red okra, so tiny it was. Soft grays of wing, green and gold of body, its rapid head/eye movement processed a world far beyond the realm of my own slow wit. Most precious gift... Come back!

Members of the Audubon society have met at the East Lake Library. They are planning a street demonstration to demand bird-safe glass at the new Vikings Stadium. SAVE THE BIRDS – SAVE THE PEOPLE – SAVE OUR PLANET!

A bird of similar feather was V.I. Lenin. He wrote an article in 1912 condemning a German firm which specialized in providing strike breakers, i.e., criminal hooligans. This firm was owned by one Ludwig Koch. Curious?

Meanwhile, an ISIL has been spotted. Truthfully, an ISIL is not some type of bird, but rather it is another “monster of our own making.”

The ISIL sings the following song:

“If a mujahid kills a single man with a knife, it is a barbaric killing of the ‘innocent.’ However, if Americans kill thousands of Muslim families all over the world by pressing missile fire buttons, it is merely ‘collateral damage.’ The countless accounts



PETER MOLENAAR

## Raise Your Voice

of American soldiers executing families and raping women under the sanctity of the U.S. military and Blackwater [justifies executions as retribution].”

Pause, please.

The Peace Movement is then quite correct to declare: MORE WAR MEANS MORE EXTREMISM. Sadly, the policy of “containment and limited intervention” will give way to “boots on the ground”...again the “quagmire.” Working class people will pay the price.

Question of the day: Does the militarization of the police suggest that it is best to elect liberal Democrats to local office as we go forward? For the answer, one might look within the red okra and consult the little bird.

## Frank Reflections

# “...be taxed on what you burn, not on what you earn.”

BY FRANK ERICKSON

This is puzzling—liberals who believe climate change is real, have the same energy consuming lifestyles as climate change deniers; what good is a belief if you do not act on it?

Based on actions alone, how could you tell the difference between a liberal Democrat who believes climate change is real and a climate change denier—let’s see,

they both drive their cars all over the place, fly in airplanes, have air conditioning, nothing sucks more power (check your electric bill) from the power plants than air conditioning. And power plants are the number one cause of climate change. Automobiles are number two.

A Democrat will say, “climate change is just terrible,” yes, it is, and so are you because you are that climate change.

Well, I’ve just gone beyond being a blowhard. I’ll let Al Gore get the last word...I think. “You should be taxed on what you burn, not what you earn.” Oh! Oh! So profound, that would really help clean things up, tax the hell out of what we burn, that’ll make us all think twice before cranking up the a/c or driving to Yellowstone. Believing climate change is real is not enough.

# COMMENTARY The State Candidates with Your Interests at Heart

BY DONNA PUSUSTA NESTE

In September’s issue of the Alley I wrote about getting yourself to the voting booth in November because the Democratic candidates who protect Federally funded programs that are important to the people of Phillips Neighborhood need your vote. In this month’s issue I would like to address the importance of voting for the candidates who are running on the state level who are concerned about you.

First I would like to compare Minnesota to our neighboring state of Wisconsin, whose state legislature, is controlled by the Republicans; House, Senate

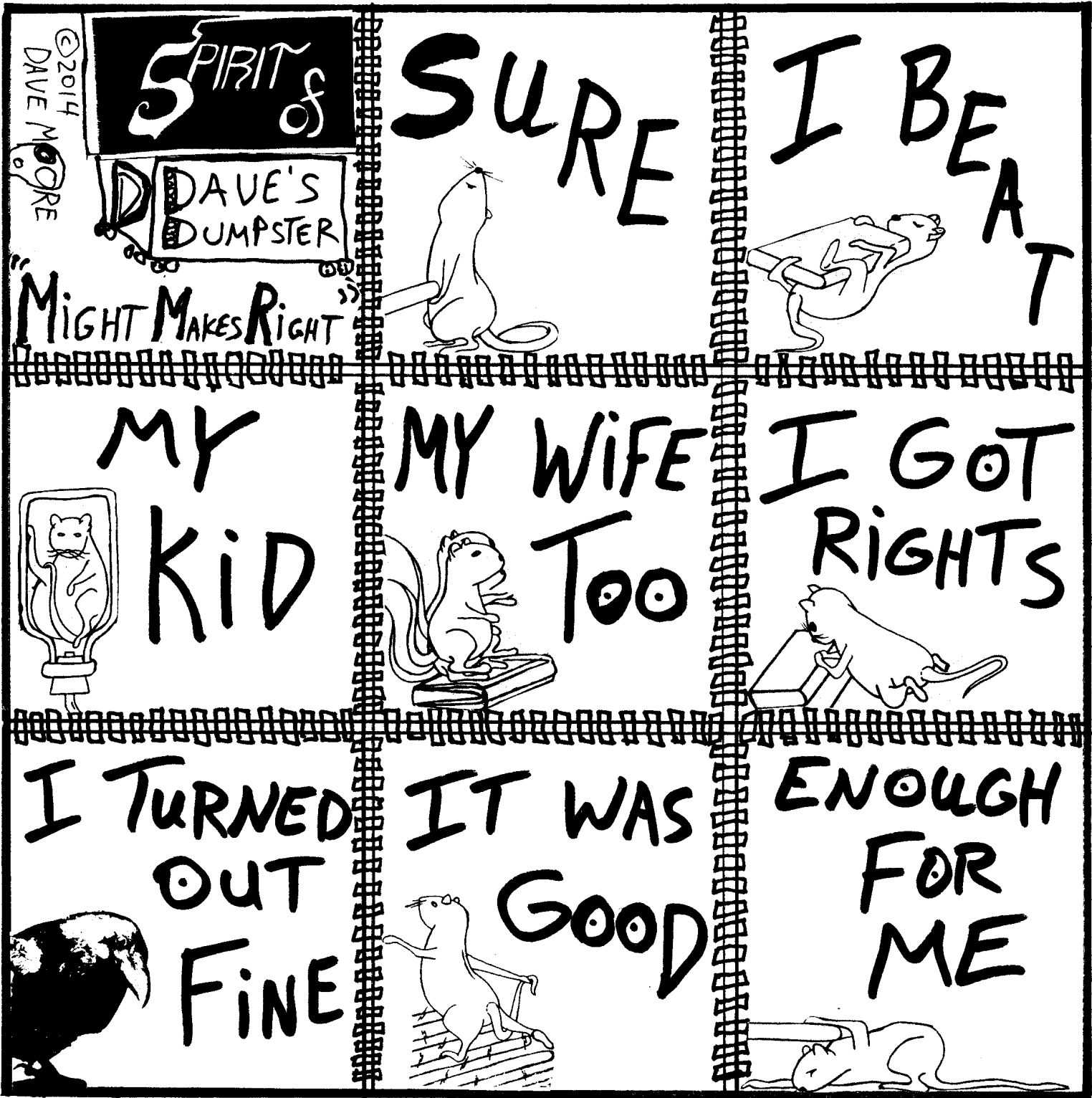
and Governor. Minnesota’s State Legislature is controlled by the Democrats; House, Senate and Governor. Wisconsin’s unemployment rate is 5.8%. Minnesota’s unemployment rate is one of the lowest in the nation at 4.5%. In Wisconsin 12.5% of its population lives below the poverty line, while in Minnesota 11.2% live below the poverty line.

I recently saw a news program with a blurb about the top five cities people are moving to despite the weather. Minneapolis was in that top five. The reason given is the job opportunities. The fact that we have a relatively healthy economy despite the sand-bagging of

the Republicans on the Federal level is no accident. I would like to use Governor Dayton as an example. Governor Dayton followed the two-term Republican, Governor Pawlenty, who definitely did not have the people of Phillips Community’s interests at heart. He made a promise to never raise taxes and he didn’t, although he did raise revenues with creative fee increases in just about everything. While watching out for his rich friends, he borrowed from K-12 education, (funds that were never paid back while he was in office), cut programs that benefit the poor, and rejected the Federal funds offered to states out of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

Governor Dayton, on the other hand, promised to increase support for education every year he is Governor. Dayton, a former teacher in a poor area of New York City, knows the importance of education and has increased the education budget by \$344 million; \$40 million going to all-day kindergarten, (new in MN) and an increase to \$8.9 million for English language programs, programs that will certainly benefit many families in Phillips. Under Dayton and the Democratic House and Senate undocumented high school students, (many in Phillips) will greatly benefit also. Legislation was passed that will help them with state student aid for college to those who qualify. The Democrats haven’t left out help for others seeking high education either. They passed a historic \$250 million increase for higher education, \$46 million going to student financial help. They also froze tuition for state funded schools of higher education, which includes the University of Minnesota. And let’s not forget about the hundreds of millions of dollars more that will be in the pockets of low-wage workers throughout the state of Minnesota (many in Phillips) because the Democratically controlled legislature passed an increase in the minimum wage. Now, about that Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, Dayton came into office just in time to accept it for the state of Minnesota.

Please vote this November, and vote for the Federal and State candidates who have your interests at heart!







# BACKYARD INITIATIVE BACK PAGE



BYI AREA



## Amen Corner with COMMUNITIES OF LIGHT CO-OPERATIVE



We invite you to come to *speaking your truth* about yourself, your struggles, your stories, your ideas, your family, your community and your world. Please join **Communities of Light** at the **Amen Corner**, in Peavey Park, Thrones Plaza every **Saturday in October, Noon-4:00 p.m.** (Chicago & Franklin Avenues.)



**Growing the Backyard CHAT** is collaborating with Amen Corner in making fresh produce available, Saturdays, 12:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. **Project S.U.P.E.R.M.A.N.**, another collaborator, is also contributing their produce.



We get noticed when we vote! **NTH Degree** is working in coordination with Amen Corner to register voters; this effort is also supported by A. Phillip Randolph Institute, a group of African American trade unionists. **Register to Vote** 20 days prior to **Election Day, November 4.**

**CIRCLE OF HEALING  
&  
T.E.E.N.S PROJECT**

Poetry Self-Study  
Healing Circle

1st and 3rd Mondays of each month  
5pm-7pm  
Backyard Initiative Community  
Resource Room  
Midtown Global Market



LEARN more about the  
BACKYARD INITIATIVE  
Community Health Action Teams  
**the THIRD Thursday  
of each month  
5 to 7 pm**  
Midtown Global Market  
(next to Mapps Coffee)  
**NEXT MEETING: Oct. 16, 2014**  
Questions? Call 612-721-5745

The Backyard Initiative (BYI) is a partnership between the Community, Allina Health Systems and the Cultural Wellness Center. The goal of this partnership is to improve the health of the 45,000 residents living in the "backyard" comprised by the neighborhoods of Powderhorn Park, East Phillips, Midtown Phillips, West Phillips, Ventura Village, Central, and Corcoran. There are eleven Community Health Action Teams (CHATs) focused on improving the health through a variety of cultural and community-connecting activities. **For info on the BYI, please call the Cultural Wellness Center, 612-721-5745.**

## BYI End of the Summer Celebration At the Home of Rose Loble



**ALLEY OOPS** from last month!  
We forgot to give credit to our valued friend and photo contributor, **dee henry williams**, for the photos of Amen Corner! Our sincere apologies, dee. We appreciate those beautiful images you capture of our community and appreciate all of your outstanding work.

Visit the  
**FARMERS MARKET**  
hosted by the  
Growing in the Backyard CHAT  
**Every Tuesday**  
Noon to 2 pm  
in the  
Cultural Wellness Center's backyard!  
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