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"The Voice of the Community"



Karin DuPaul

National Night Out 2017, as celebrated on Greenbrier Street.

Celebrate the 35th Annual National Night Out in Dayton's Bluff!

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Forum Staff

Celebrate the wonderful neighborhood of Dayton's Bluff with your family and neighbors on National Night Out (NNO), **Tuesday, August 7, 2018**. Neighborhood groups and neighbors are planning a variety of activities for their NNO events. Some neighbors have a barbecue or a pot luck, others may have a magic show, live bands, games for kids, a children's parade, and more!

2018 marks the 35th Annual National Night Out, which is celebrated nationwide. It's always nice to bring a dish or something to share while socializing with your neighbors. Some of the Dayton's Bluff celebrations include: Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis at 777 Forest Street, **5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**; Dellwood Gardens parking lot at 753 East 7th Street, **4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.**; and Swede Hollow Neighbors at Greenbrier and Margaret, **6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.**

If you are having a National Night Out event in your neighborhood and would like to list it in the August issue of the Forum, please contact Karin DuPaul at karindupaul@comcast.net.

Another way to celebrate is to get all of your neighbors to turn on outside lights from dusk to dawn. For those of you who do not know about National Night Out, it is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships to make our neighborhoods safer, better places to live. It is a program of the National Association of Town Watch, a non-profit organization dedicated to enhancing the communities in which we live through an established network of law enforcement agencies, neighborhood watch groups, civic groups, state and regional crime prevention associations, and volunteers across the nation.

Citizens, law enforcement agencies, community groups, businesses, youth organizations, and local, state, and federal officials from thousands of communities from all 50 states, U.S. territories and military bases worldwide join forces each year to celebrate the Annual National Night Out.

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Gold Line BRT update – The bridges of Dayton's Bluff

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The Gold Line Bus Rapid Transit system will connect downtown St. Paul with Woodbury. Its route will take it through Dayton's Bluff along the north side of I-94, outside of the noise barrier at the same level as neighborhood streets. A bus station will be located at Earl and Hudson Road. The original plan was to fit two dedicated bus lanes, two parking lanes, a single one-way vehicle lane and both parts of the station within the current boundaries of Hudson Road.

The latest draft plan proposes a more realistic design. The existing sound barrier to the east and west of Earl St. will be straightened and moved 15 feet to the south. The new sound barrier will be built on a retaining wall that will bring the ground level up to Hudson Road and provide a route for the BRT lanes. Due to engineering considerations, the Earl St. bridge over I-94 can't be modified but will have to be entirely reconstructed.

Dayton's Bluff will also see other bridge construction. A new bridge will be built over Johnson Parkway to accom-

modate the BRT lanes. It will be next to the existing I-94 bridge. The existing bridge from northbound Hwy 61 to westbound I-94 will be reconstructed. Farther to the east, a new bridge will be constructed over White Bear Ave. for the BRT lanes.

New pedestrian bridges will be needed in addition to the above mentioned roadway bridges. The current Maple Street/Mound Street bridge over I-94 will be reconstructed to make room for the BRT lanes that will pass below it. A new pedestrian bridge will be constructed over eastbound I-94 to southbound Hwy 61 in the area of Etna and Pacific.

In other bridge news, there is still no funding to replace the Kellogg Blvd./Third St. bridge which will be part of the BRT route. Depending on when that bridge is reconstructed, the BRT buses may have to be temporarily routed onto the 7th St. bridge from downtown and follow Mounds Blvd. to the dedicated BRT lanes which begin at Third Street.

The Gold Line is estimated to cost \$420 million with 45% of the funding coming from federal funds. Construction will start in 2022 with a completion date in 2024. For more information visit <https://www.metrotransit.org/gold-line-project>.

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9th Annual Art in the Hollow

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The 9th Annual Art in the Hollow took place on June 2. More than 50 artists registered this year. The weather forecast was for a rainy June 2. The Art in the Hollow management team rented space in Hope Community Academy for artists who were concerned about rain and for the entertainers since electric instruments can be a problem with the rain.

There was entertainment inside all day long. Some artists were inside the school and others were in Swede Hollow Park selling their art. The weather was much better in the afternoon. The artists were excellent with a wide variety of art. Visitors marveled at the beautiful event in the picturesque park setting. A number of artists said they sold more art than they do on a day with perfect weather. Another artist even admitted that she bought more art than she sold!

Entertainment was marvelous and included: Stage manager and singer Paul Garding, the Mexican Mariachi band, John Knowles, American Indian Magnet Indian Dancers, Kirk Larson, Marilyn McGriff, Tom Cornish, Angelo Rulli, Stephanie Mora, Marcia Odden, Susan Thayer, Danny Evans, performers from Indigenous Roots, and Nancy Sanchelli Guertin (who shared stories about her father's life as former resident of Swede Hollow).

Marni Oberpriller and her Johnson High School students brought ceramics to sell and also staffed the Teen Activities tent. Face printing, done by artist Diane May, is always a favorite with the

children in the Kids Activities tent. The History Tent was a popular spot with historians Steve Trimble and Angela DuPaul sharing local history.



Karin DuPaul

Visitors to the 9th Annual Art in the Hollow through the Drewry Tunnel.

The sculpture contest winners were: First and second prize, Ed Brodie, and third prize, Sage Holben.

A special thank you to everyone, including the kids from Oakdale, Saint Paul Police Department, and Greenhouse residents, who helped make the annual Art in the Hollow a success.

Ben and Jennifer Mason are now part of the Art in the Hollow organizing team along with Karin DuPaul. Jennifer has been an artist at Art in the Hollow for years. They will be working on the 10th Annual Art in the Hollow which will be on June 1, 2019. If you are interested in working on planning the event contact Karin Dupaul at karindupaul@comcast.net.

To share ideas, thoughts, volunteer or register for the tenth annual Art in the Hollow in 2019, visit www.artinthehollow.org or find Art In the Hollow on Facebook. For more information on Friends of Swede Hollow, see facebook, www.swedehollow.org, or contact Karin at 651-776-0550 or karindupaul@comcast.net.

Sorry we missed you...

The June edition of the *Forum* was available online only.

Visit www.daytonsbluffdistrictforum.org to view this and other past issues (all the way back to the year 2000!)

The *Forum* depends on readers like you. If you'd like to continue to receive this newspaper in print, please make a donation! See page 8 for details.

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Dayton's Bluff Take-a-Hike

On the second Saturday of most months, the Dayton's Bluff Take-a-Hike will begin at Indian Mounds Park, located at Earl Street and Mounds Boulevard, at **10:30 a.m.** The next hike will be on **Saturday, July 14.** The hike is approximately one and a half to two hours long and will end at Swede Hollow Park or East Side Heritage Park, depending on the desire of the hikers. Share and learn a little history along the way! Email karindupaul@comcast.net or call 651-776-0550 for more information.

Friends of Swede Hollow

Watch over, restore, and celebrate the history of Swede Hollow Park. Join the Swede Hollow community at their monthly meeting on **Thursday, July 5, at 6:30 p.m.** Please note that meetings are now on Thursdays. Email karin@swedehollow.org or call 651-776-0550 for more information and the meeting's location.

Dayton's Bluff District Forum Board Meeting

The *Forum* is seeking writers and help with online content, idea generation, and ad sales – join us at our next meeting on **Friday, July 6, at 1:00 p.m.**, at Swede Hollow Cafe at 725 E. 7th Street. Call 651-776-0550 or email daytonsbuffdistrictforum@gmail.com for more information.

Police Community Meetings

The Eastern District Saint Paul Police will host their monthly meetings for community members at the Eastern District Police Office at 722 Payne Avenue, on the corner of Payne and Minnehaha Avenues.

The next meetings are on **Wednesday, July 18, at 9:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.** Meetings are intended as a time to listen to and address concerns about crime and other issues on the East Side.

SNAP Food Program at CLUES (Comunidades Latinas Unidas En Servicio)

¿Necesita más comida saludable para la familia? El programa SNAP le puede ayudar. SNAP proporciona fondos para alimentos que benefician a familias de escasos recursos.

Aún si no es ciudadano, si tiene hijos nacidos en este país ellos podrían calificar. Participar en el programa SNAP no afectará su estatus migratorio.

¡Llame a CLUES para saber si califica! 612-746-3500. Nuestro personal bilingüe puede facilitar el proceso para usted y su familia.

Need healthy food for your family? The SNAP program provides funds for low-income families to buy food. Even if you are not a citizen, your children born in this country could qualify. Participation in the SNAP program won't affect their immigration status.

Call CLUES to find out if you qualify at 612-746-3500. Our bilingual staff can facilitate the process for your family.

Twin Cities Mobile Market

The Twin Cities Mobile Market is a grocery store on wheels that brings affordable, healthy food directly into under-resourced neighborhoods. The Mobile Market stops at Parkway Gardens Apartments, located at 1145 Hudson Road, on **Wednesdays, from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.**



Friday and Saturday, July 20 & 21:

Al-Stravaganza – A Burlesque Tribute to Weird Al!, presented by Tight and Nerdy and Kiss Me Kate. Two unique nights of Weird Al inspired and themed burlesque and plenty of quirky shenanigans. Proudly brought to you by fox den salon. We have a nightly costume contest, games, and Saturday night is a special screening! Plus more surprises and fun!

Hosted by Las Vegas' Blanche DeBris. Starring the cast of Tight & Nerdy - the first and ONLY all Weird-Al Inspired Burlesque Troupe: Pickles Kintaro, Pearl E. Gates, Mistress Marla Spankx, and Odessa Lil. Featuring performances from Portland's The Infamous Nina Nightshade and Sophie Maltease and local favorites: Mona Montague, Opium Hayze, Pedi Bourgeois, Holliedazzle, Tre De Marc, Anjela, and Xavier.

Doors open at 7:30 p.m. Show starts at 8 p.m. Tickets: General admission - \$20 (in advance)/\$25 (at the door); VIP - \$35.

Visit moundstheatre.org for information on upcoming events as it becomes available. The Historic Mounds Theatre is located at 1029 Hudson Road, St. Paul, MN 55106; 651-772-2253; historicmoundstheatre@gmail.com.

July at the Dayton's Bluff Library

The following events will be held at the Dayton's Bluff library, 645 East Seventh Street, Saint Paul:

On Weekdays, **from 2:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.**, Dayton's Bluff Library will offer *Snack in the Zone*.

Saturdays, from noon to 2:00 p.m., *Maker Space in the FunZONE!* Play computer games like Minecraft, and enjoy other hands-on fun in the Zone.

Tuesday, July 10, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., *Teens Know Best!* Teens have exclusive access to books before they are published. This group meets on the second Tuesday of every month to share opinions and pizza. *Teens Know Best* members are expected to write reviews of the books they read. The reviews are submitted directly to the publishers to help guide their decisions. New members can register at the meeting. Call 651-632-3873 for more information.

Summer Movies at the Library - It's back! Dayton's Bluff Library and Metropolitan State University Library are again co-hosting the popular children's Summer Movie series every **Friday at the library from 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.**

Come for the movie, stay for the snack! Dayton's Bluff Library is also

providing *Snack in the Zone* for children 18 and younger, weekdays beginning June 11 and continuing through the summer.

All movies will be shown on the first floor of the library, located at 645 East 7th Street, Saint Paul.

Did you know that you can check out board games at the library? Library visitors can play the games in the library or check them out for two weeks. The full list of games can be viewed at <http://bit.ly/MetroGames> and all are available to the public.

For information about these and other events check spl.org or call 651-793-1699. The Dayton's Bluff Library shares its home with Metropolitan State University at 645 East 7th Street.

"Roaming Recreation" at Margaret Park

Along with other small parks and recreation centers, the City of St. Paul Parks Department will be bringing recreation opportunities to Margaret Park, at Earl and Margaret Streets.

There will be free outdoor sports, games, arts and crafts, and snacks on **Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.** throughout the summer. Activities are intended for elementary school-aged kids, but anyone is welcome.

For more information, visit st.paul.gov/roamingrec or call Tabitha at 651-292-6508.

July & August at the Dayton's Bluff Rec Center

Mobile Jazz: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., and Saturdays from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.. Free, ages 12-17.

Judo: Mondays, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.. Free, ages 6-17.

Hip Hop at the Bluff: Tuesdays, 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Free, ages 8-18.

Basketball Skills: Tuesdays, 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Free, ages 6-12.

Jewelry Making: Wednesdays, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Free, ages 8 and older.

Latin Dance: Thursdays, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Free, ages 8 and older.

Sewing for Kids: Mondays, 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Free, ages 12-18.

Summer Blast: Monday-Thursday, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Free, ages 6-12.

Young Men's Group: Wednesdays, 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Free, ages 11-15.

Toddler Sports: Thursdays, 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Free, ages 4-6.

Tae Kwon Do: Thursdays, 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.. Free, ages 8-18.

Open Gym: Saturdays, 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Free, all ages welcome.

Teen Open Gym: Thursdays, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Free, ages 14-18.

Red Cross Babysitting Class: Wednesdays, call the Rec Center for times. Free, ages 8-18.

Paint Night for Teens: Thursdays, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Free, ages 12-18. **Begins July 19.**

On the Go Camp: Tuesday-Thursday, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Free, ages 8-12. **Begins July 24.**

Paint Night for Teens: Wednesdays, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Free, ages 12-18. **Begins August 15.**

To register for any of these activities, please call the Rec Center at 651-793-3885. All activities take place at the Dayton's Bluff Rec Center, located at 800 Conway Street, St. Paul.

Free Pet Food and Supplies in Dayton's Bluff

Get ready to help out your own Fido or Fluffy. The Community Outreach department at the Animal Humane Society has partnered with several local organizations to offer free pet food and supplies to two communities. They will be at the Dayton's Bluff Achievement Plus Elementary school, 698 Conway Street, the **second Tuesday in August and September from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

Guidelines: Dog and cat food will be available for the first 30 families, first come, first served. One bag per pet, per household. Residents of Frogtown and East St. Paul can register for spay/neuter surgery and vaccines at these events.

Business Classes

The Dayton's Bluff Neighborhood Microentrepreneur class helps startup and young businesses on the East Side. All East Side entrepreneurs are welcome. Class training lasts 12 weeks and includes topics such as operations management, marketing, financial management, one-on-one assistance with creating a successful business, and developing a business plan, plus eight hours of one-on-one assistance with creating and preparing a business plan.

Those who successfully complete the course are eligible for ongoing business support services (they don't have to locate their business in target neighborhoods to be eligible).

The course is sponsored by the Dayton's Bluff Community Council and the Neighborhood Development Center. There is a small registration fee based on a sliding scale. Class size is limited, so sign up now. Please call the training department at 651-379-8113.

Free Summer Food at Local Schools


Saint Paul Public Schools will provide free meals to children 18 years and younger through its Summer Food Service Program. The program also serves those who are 19 and older, have a mental or physical disability, and participate in a public or private nonprofit school program.

The Program **begins on June 12 and ends August 24.** Meals will be available at Dayton's Bluff Elementary School, American Indian Magnet School, Hope Community Academy, and John Johnson Elementary school.

Meals may include breakfast, lunch, supper or a snack, depending on the site's hours of operation. For a list of current sites and times visit www.fns.usda.gov/summerfoodrocks or call the United Way information line at 651-291-0211, 1-866-3-HUNGRY or 1-877-8-HAMBRE (for Spanish speakers) to find a site for free, nutritious summer meals near you.


The Smilin' Cowboys

Popular Twin Cities party band, *The Smilin' Cowboys*, will perform at the Minnesota Music Café, located at 500 Payne Avenue on the **second Thursday** of each month. **Music begins at 8:00 p.m.**



JULY

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8	9 • Open Lab 12-3 pm	10 • Maker Camp 3–5 pm • Teens Know Best 6:30–8:30 pm TEENSKNOWBEST	11 • Open Lab 12-3 pm • SUMMER SPARK: Dazzling Dave 3–4 pm	12 • Mad Science: Sea, Sand, Surf 10:30–11:15 am	13 • Baby Storytime 11– 11:30 am • Summer Movie Series: 1–2:30 pm BOSS BABY • Puzzles & Games Unplugged 3–5 pm	14 • FunZONE! Games & Makerspace 12–2 pm	
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29	30 • Open Lab 12-3 pm	31 • Maker Camp 3–5 pm	PLUS: Snack in the ZONE, Mondays-Fridays 2:30 to 3 pm!				

FREE events for kids 0-18 this summer.

Learn more at sppl.org/summer.

Mounds Park United Methodist Church

1049 Euclid Street (corner of Earl and Euclid); 651-774-8736
Mounds Park United Methodist on Facebook

Mounds Park United Methodist Church is a multicultural, intergenerational neighborhood congregation located at 1049 Euclid Street in Dayton's Bluff. Sunday worship begins at **10:30 a.m.**

Sundays: *Multi-Generational Sunday School Class.* Class meets every **Sunday at 9:15 a.m.** in the lounge of the church. This class follows an adult curriculum and has a participant age range of 80 years! Youth start in worship at 10:30 a.m. Following kid's time, children aged 0-4 years go to the staffed nursery, grades K-5 go to the upstairs Sunday School room, and children grades 6-12 go downstairs for classes. Breakfast is served during Sunday School. The nursery is staffed for those children aged 0-4 years who do not want to start in worship. Please call the church with any questions.

Free help for East Side pets

*Temperance Brennan
Forum Contributor*


The Animal Humane Society's Community Outreach program has special indoor and outdoor clinics for pets of low income families on the East Side as well as Frogtown. The events offer all the same resources and care as the outdoor clinics — free well-

ness exams, vaccines, nail trims, spay/neuter appointment scheduling, guidance from the AHS behavior team and St. Paul Animal Control, free pet food, and more.

For information on upcoming events and locations call 651-788-4685 or visit <http://animal-humane-society.org/outreach-services-frogtown-and-east-st-paul>.

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Contest: Where in Dayton's Bluff?

Send your guess to daytonsbluffdistrictforum@gmail.com with the location of the neighborhood curiosity pictured below for a chance to win great prizes from local businesses. The reader who submits the first correct entry will be notified and the winner will be announced in the August edition of the *Forum*.

Congratulations to Tammie Strong, winner of June's contest with her correct guess of Swede Hollow Cafe.



Karin DuPaul

The 2nd Annual US Bank Employees Swede Hollow Invasive Removal Project at the Hamm Woodland Gardens was held on June 4. Kneeling from left to right, in front of an impressive pile of buckthorn, burdock, and garlic mustard, are: John Richards, Jose Amaya, and Greg Olson. Standing from left to right are: Josh Rosenow, Jocelyn Jerin, Brad Weber, and Mike Bengston. A big thank you to all who helped with this project.

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Tourist or resident, explore Saint Paul with a walking tour

Take a free tour from Landmark Center

Krissy Schoenfelder
Landmark Center

Visitors and curious residents are invited to explore Rice Park, St. Peter Street, or Saint Paul's riverfront with Landmark Center's Saint Paul Walking Tours – now through September, Landmark Center tour guides will lead three different walking tours of Saint Paul. Tours are free and operate on a rotating schedule, **Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m.**

"Walking tours are nice events for both visitors and residents," said Bob Wagner, a Landmark Center volunteer and creator of the walking tours. "People tend to take their hometowns for granted, but there's always something new to learn, whether you're a lifelong resident or a tourist."

The second Wednesday of each month, the Rice Park Tour departs from Landmark Center's Visitor Information Desk. The tour circles one of Saint Paul's most iconic parks, and stops in the surrounding buildings which give the park its central role in city events and celebrations.

On the third Wednesday of each month, the Heart of the City Tour

departs from inside Landmark Center's North Lobby (6th Street entrance). It travels down St. Peter Street pointing out some of the most famous landmarks and influential buildings in St. Paul's history, including the Hamm Building and Mickey's Dinner.

Finally, the **Great River Tour** begins at Upper Landing Park (Shepard Road and Eagle Parkway) and walks along the mighty Mississippi. It highlights buildings and locations that helped make Saint Paul the city it is today. **It runs the fourth Wednesday of each month, beginning June 27.**

All tours are FREE, operate June through September, and begin at 10:00 a.m. Space is limited and reservations are required. For more information or to make a reservation, please call 651.292.3063 or visit www.landmarkcenter.org/visit/walkingtours.html.

About Landmark Center: Landmark Center is a dynamic, historic cultural center and central gathering place in downtown Saint Paul. It is owned and sponsored by Ramsey County and managed by Minnesota Landmarks, the nonprofit programming and management agency for the building. Landmark Center is located at 75 West 5th Street, on Rice Park and is accessible to those with impaired mobility. Parking is available on street and in nearby Lawson, Science Museum and River-Centre Ramps. For more information call 651-292-3225 or visit www.landmarkcenter.org.

Take a new look at Saint Paul

Landmark Center's summer art exhibit focused on Saint Paul

Krissy Schoenfelder
Landmark Center

Spend some time in Landmark Center this summer and see Saint Paul through the eyes of several artists. *Saint Paul ReViewed* opened June 7. The summer exhibition features three temporary installations and several pieces from Landmark Center's permanent art collection.

"Landmark Center started showcasing visual art during the summer months in 2014," said Judy Brooks, Director of Community Programs at Landmark Center. "Last year's theme was 'community,' open to the artists' interpretation. This year, we're entirely focused on Saint Paul as the subject matter."

The *Saint Paul ReViewed* opening reception on June 7 launched two installations, *Our St. Paul: Celebrating 125 Years of the St. Paul Camera Club*, in the North Gallery and *Explorations - Two Artists' Views of Saint Paul* by Michelle Daniels and Brad Daniels in the second floor gallery and third floor balcony spaces. The third installation, *All About St. Paul: A City in Watercolors*, will open **July 19** in the North Gallery. This second half of **Saint Paul ReViewed** features watercolor paint-

ings by Jeanne Kosfeld.

In addition to the temporary exhibits, several works in Landmark Center's permanent art collection will be highlighted: Bill Hosko's oil on canvas, *Daybreak in Rice Park*, Anna Metcalfe's porcelain and iron, *Letters to Landmark*, and Norbert Marklin's photo mural, *St. Paul Skyline Triptych*.

Join Landmark Center for one of the following workshops offered this summer: **June 28, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.:** *St. Paul Photography Field Trip*, explore Landmark Center's neighborhood with Michelle Daniels and Brad Daniels. Space is limited to 20 participants, advance reservations are required. All camera types (DSLR, smartphone, etc.) are welcome.

August 11, 10:00 a.m. to noon, and August 19, 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.: *Sketching St. Paul - A primer lesson on sketching architecture and nature*. Space is limited to 20 guests, and reservations are required. Registered guests will meet at Landmark Center's Information Desk, and, weather permitting, move outdoors. In the event of rain, workshops will be held inside Landmark Center.

Saint Paul ReViewed runs **June 7-August 31**. The exhibits and workshops are free and open to the public, but reservations are required for Jeanne Kosfeld's *Sketching St. Paul*, and Michelle and Brad Daniels' *St. Paul Photography Field Trip*. For reservations, contact Judy Brooks, jbrooks@landmarkcenter.org or 651-292-1239. For more information visit landmarkcenter.org.

Mississippi Market to offer \$3 Community Dinners

Celebrate community with good food, great people, and live music

Matt Frank
Mississippi Market

Mississippi Market is pleased to announce a series of \$3 Community Dinners being hosted once a month at the co-op's East 7th store throughout the summer showcasing a rotating selection of delicious, affordable Market Made meals; vegan options will be available.

In addition to \$3 meals, diners will have an opportunity to enjoy food samples from local farmers and makers along with live tunes from local musicians. Plus, at each event, diners may enter a free raffle drawing for their chance to win fabulous prizes, including one of the following - a bicycle, free Organic Valley products for a year, or a \$90 gift card redeemable for a Mississippi Market membership or co-op shopping spree.

Twin Cities residents are invited to join their East Side Saint Paul neigh-

bors to celebrate community with good food, great people, and live music. All are welcome!

Join your neighbors for one (or all!) of the upcoming \$3 Community Dinners offered at the Mississippi Market East 7th Store: *Bratwursts and Potato Salad, Thursday, June 28, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.* Enjoy live acoustic banjo and fiddle music by Craig Evans and Nick Rowse.

Pulled Pork Sandwiches and Coleslaw, Thursday, July 26, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Enjoy live jazz music by Walker West students.

Grilled Chicken and Herb Corn Salad, Thursday, August 23, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Enjoy live harp guitar music by local musician Dan Schwartz.

Baked Potato Bar with Assorted Toppings, Thursday, September 27, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Enjoy live music; local musician to be announced.

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Saint Paul Public Library announces 2018 summer activities for kids and teens

Emily Ganzel
Saint Paul Public Library

Summer 2018 will be a busy one at Saint Paul Public Library (SPPL). *Summer Spark*, SPPL's flagship summer learning program, kicks off on June 1 with engaging activities for kids and teens ages 10-18. Following a successful run last summer, SPPL is partnering once again with the Saint Paul Saints on *Reading Tree*, a special story-time hour hosted by a Saints player, Mudonna, the team's mascot, and a local children's book author.

"Saint Paul Public Library offers a wide variety of summer programming for all ages," said Catherine Penkert, Saint Paul Public Library Director. "*Summer Spark*, our annual summer reading program, encourages kids to have fun, stay active, and keep learning all summer long. This year, we're delighted to offer *Spark Camps*, drop-in activities at several branches through which children can engage in theater, art, and nature activities for several hours per week."

The library's summer activities include: *Summer Spark: Summer Spark* encourages kids to have fun, stay active, and keep learning all summer long. Youth participate by attending free events at the library and earning prizes by completing reading and activity challenges. The program runs through **August 31**. This year, we are excited to offer *Spark Camps* at several branches.

Teen Summer Spark: Teens can participate in *Summer Spark* by reading and rating books of their choice and enter to win great prizes, including a Nintendo Switch.

Reading Tree with the Saints: The

St. Paul Saints & Sprint, in conjunction with SPPL, are bringing their *Reading Tree* series on the road and to a library near you! The Saints will bring along some special guests, like their pink fluffy mascot, Mudonna, a Saints player and a children's book author.

Summer Reads: Keep kids reading throughout the summer with *Summer Reads!* Children will meet with a summer buddy in weekly sessions through the summer to practice reading and play some fun literacy games. *Summer Reads runs through August 2.*

Saturday Live! Join us every Saturday at the George Latimer Central Library for events featuring puppets, magicians, wild animals, storytellers and more! **Available throughout July.**

Maker Camps: Maker Camps provide hands-on, drop-in activities for youth ages 8-12. Maker Camps are an opportunity for youth to be engaged and inspired by STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, and math) concepts. Camps run **July 2 - August 24.**

To help families reduce fines owed, the library will continue to offer *Read Downs* throughout the summer. Kids, teens, and adults reading with kids or teens will earn \$1 off of fines and fees for every 15 minutes spent reading in the library. In partnership with Saint Paul Parks and Recreation, youth can stop by Rondo, Rice Street, and Riverview libraries for free snacks and meals throughout the summer.

Summer Spark is generously supported by: Carl Benson Endowment, Crayola Experience, Dollar General Literacy Foundation, Ecolab Foundation, Elizabeth Biorn Endowment, Ethel Ridgway Endowments, The Friends of the Saint Paul Public Library, George Latimer Endowment, KARE-11, Kowalski's Markets, MELSA, Minnesota State Fair, Minnesota Twins, Pioneer Press, SeaLife MN, and Star Tribune.

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Deadline for the August 2018 issue of the *Forum* is July 10, 2018.

Possible curb appeal ideas

*5th Street Resident
Special to the Forum*

Curb Appeal!!! We've all seen it...You're driving down the street and all of a sudden your eye is drawn to a beautiful house. You think "Isn't that lovely?!"

What gives that house a "Wow!" factor? What did the owner do to make their home stand out? It doesn't just happen. Here are some possibilities.

First of all, it could be the front door! It should be noticeable. If the house is light gray or beige try a navy, burgundy, or a charcoal painted front door. If it's white, try a dark green. Pick a color you like! Then add a wreath and welcome mat to the front door to welcome people. Also add large potted plants on each side of the front door. Try adding new light fixtures or use low voltage lighting by the front door.

Maybe try adding window shutters

to the front of the house or repaint the existing ones. How does the window trim look? Does it need painting?

Check the siding. Maybe the siding just needs a washing? If you're repainting the house, choose a color that works well with the shingle color. If you don't know what color to paint your house, try driving around a neighborhood you like and simply copy the house colors you like. You can also get lots of color combination ideas from pamphlets at a paint store.

A great way to add curb appeal is to add plastic edging around landscaped beds. Curved lines usually work best. Buy fresh wood chips.

Shrubs and bushes make a huge difference! You could also try adding window boxes for flowers!

If you have a front porch, add outdoor furniture such as a table and two chairs. And for a final touch, spray paint the mailbox.

Even just one or two of these ideas can make a big impact and give a home great curb appeal!

**View from my porch:
Guerrilla traffic
installation makes
encore appearance at
4th and Bates**

*Sage Holben
Forum Staff*

Kari Soeffker, Holly and Jim Wardlaw, and two younger neighbors who wanted to remain nameless, joined Sage Holben in an impromptu neighborhood meeting with Councilmember Jane Prince and East Side Commander Axel Henry. In question was the newest 4th and Bates grassroots traffic-calmer, aka "Guerrilla Traffic Installation."

Jim Wardlaw, in 1999, after seeing too many near-accidents at this residential intersection sandwiched between two densely trafficked feeder streets, persuaded the City to add east and west stop

signs to create a four-way stop.

Whether drivers more tightly cocoon themselves these days in their playrooms on wheels, or simply don't concern themselves with others' safety, the number of cars, including school buses and business vehicles, running stops at Fourth and Bates are increasing, and some drivers have been observed flooring the gas pedal to further flaunt their stupidity.

In addition, this intersection is again experiencing increased drug deals from cars. Being off Third Street, and a straight run north and south, offers a convenient and efficient 'shopping' experience. If our neighborhood children manage to avoid being hit by a vehicle, perhaps they will live to recount the peculiarities of drug deals from cars.

If you have a message to convey, whether a safety issue or a book sale, and would like some ideas on reusing and recycling material to make your own guerrilla art installation or public signage...or to simply practice civil disobedience, contact Sage Holben at daytonsbuffdistrictforum@gmail.com.



Sage Holben

A guerrilla traffic installation has sprung up once again at 4th and Bates. The intersection has been a known hazard to neighborhood residents who recently took to the streets (again) to do something about it.

**Minnesota's Most
Decorated Soldier in
World War I from
Dayton's Bluff**

*Mark Gallagher
Associate Editor*

Stanley Timothy Murnane was born on September 26, 1899, in St. Paul, Minnesota.

On October 11, 1917, also in St. Paul, he was inducted into the engineer's section of the Regular Army as a Private. Before induction, Murnane trained with the 1st Minnesota Field Artillery for two months (June-July) in 1916.

Mrs. Mary Murnane was the only parent listed on the Military Service Record.

At induction, his Military Service Record listed Murnane's residence as 228 Maria Ave. in Dayton's Bluff.

After his induction, he trained at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, from October 18, 1917, to February 20, 1918. Fort Leavenworth has historically been known as the "Intellectual Center of the Army" and is the oldest active Army post west of Washington D.C.

Murnane was originally assigned to Company D, 7th Engineers, 5th Division, American Expeditionary Force (A.E.F.) He left for Europe on March 6, 1918, from Hoboken, New Jersey, on the USS Celtic and arrived in Liverpool, England, on March 18, 1918.

Gievres, France was Murnane's first overseas station, and he was there from March 30, 1918, to June 1, 1918, and then went to the Western Front in France from June 1, 1918, to November 11, 1918.

Murnane participated in the Meuse-Argonne Offensive, which was fought from September 26, 1918, until the Armistice of November 11, 1918, a total of 47 days. It was a major part of

the final Allied Offensive of World War I that stretched across the entire Western Front. The Meuse-Argonne Offensive was the largest in United States history, involving 1.2 million American soldiers.

The Distinguished Service Cross was awarded to Murnane for extraordinary heroism in action during the Meuse-Argonne Offensive, near Briecelles, France, on November 4-5, 1918.

The official military record states, "When three of the boats supporting a pontoon bridge across the Meuse River were destroyed by artillery fire, Private Murnane voluntary waded into the stream under heavy artillery and machine gun fire and held up the deck of the bridge until new boats were launched and placed into position."

Murnane was also stationed at Rumelange, Luxemborg from November 20, 1918 to July 1, 1919. He was promoted to Private First Class on November 28, 1918, and went into action on June 15, 1919 at the Lorain Sector and participated in battles at St. Mihel and the Arnold sector.

The Distinguished Service Cross was presented to Private Stanley T. Murnane on December 21, 1919, by General Ely at Esch-sur-Alzette, Luxemborg.

On July 28, 1919, Murnane arrived at Hoboken, New Jersey, and was discharged from the service from Camp Dodge, Iowa, on August 4, 1919, as a Private First Class.

Minnesota's most decorated soldier in World War I and from Dayton's Bluff, Stanley T. Murnane, passed away on December 1, 1989, at 90 years old. He was preceded in death by his wife and survived by 23 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren.

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East Side Eating – Trimble's Taste Trek

In 2015, Forum contributor Steve Trimble set out to eat at every locally-owned, sit-down restaurant on the East Side (all 59 of them!)

Recently, he has been visting restaurants that opened since then. All of Steve's reviews can be found at daytonsbuffdistrictforum.org under the "East Side Eating" tab.

JJ's Steak Mexican Grill
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There have been some changes at 990 Payne Avenue. The original restaurant, El Señor Sol closed, and, for a few months, it was replaced by Sonia's Steak House, named for Sonia Ortega who owns the building that houses several Latino businesses. Then, I recently saw a sign that said JJ's Steak House Mexican Grill. I decided to have another addition to the East Side Taste Trek, and went there one recent Sunday.

The internal set up has not changed a lot. The same tiled floor and colorful small paper banners hanging from the ceiling are still intact. The really long wooden tables that seated a crowd are gone, but the dozen new tables can be pushed together for big parties. There are now a few taxidermy heads on the walls, including a large elk.

The Facebook page says they are a Tex Mex restaurant. Here are a few of the various food offerings at JJ's: The menu has four Burritos – asada/steak, pollo/chicken, carmitas/pulled pork, and vegetariano/vegetarian. There are eight "Traditional Dishes" served

with rice and beans - some of them are fajitas, flautas de pollo/fried and alambre. There are 18 entrees including steaks such as sirloin, rib eye, and porterhouse, as well as Mexican favorites like steak chilaquiles, steak and nopales (prickly pear), bistec Mexicano, and JJ's Burger with Fries.

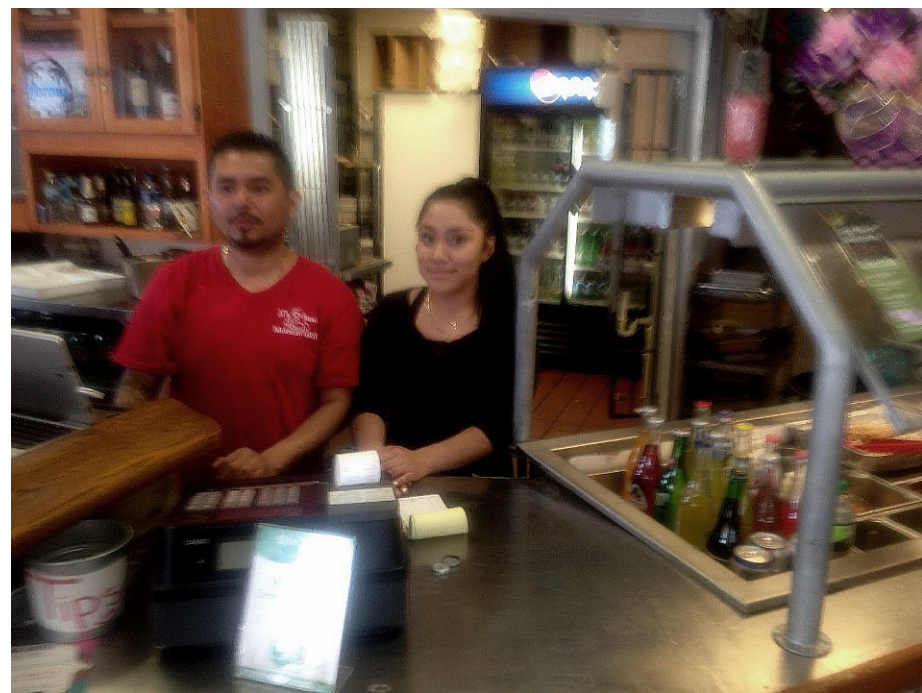
There are eight tacos, some of them are lengua (beef tongue), chorizo (Mexican sausage), and camarones (shrimp). There are fish dishes – "Surf and Turf," tilapia, and shrimp. They also have some daily specials: Tuesday features five tacos, Wednesday consists of chilaquiles with egg or a gyro, Thursday's special is the burrito and chips or JJ's Burger and fries, and Friday offers carne asada or fajitas. Saturday and Sunday there is a buffet.

Since I was there on a weekend, I opted for the buffet. I sampled most of the dozen foods including rice, re-fried beans, patitas, chichavos, taco doratos, chilakiles, fajita, pigs feet, menudo, and tacos filled with mashed potatoes (I forgot to write down their name).

They have wine and sodas, but I thought a traditional Mexican cerveza would go well with the food. The name of the restaurant represents the initials of the co-owners, Juan Rincones and Jose Figueroa. They try to make their food as close as they can get to "Mucho sabor" or in English "with great homemade flavor." They have been open for nine months or so. They have arranged to have delivery provided by Bite Squad.

I found other changes at 990 Payne - the former microbrewery is gone and the Hamburgueso El Gordo inside 990 Payne moved to Minneapolis recently, but there is now a sign at the location saying "Tamalli/Authentic Mexican Tamales coming soon." I will have to show up and include it in the East Side Eating column in the Forum when it debuts.

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Steve Trimble

Juan and Wendy of JJ's Steak Mexican Grill.

Is Dayton's Bluff still a picturesque area?

Steve Trimble
Forum Historian

In 1909 the Dayton's Bluff Commercial Club published *Picturesque Dayton's Bluff* as a promotional booklet highlighting this neighborhood. The group, founded in 1903, had a clubhouse at 770 East Seventh Street to provide a place for social exchange and community leadership. They provided a very positive picture of the area to lure new residents and companies. The 36 page work hailed "the wonderful strides in material progress made by this section of the city" and, it said, "are largely due to its Commercial Club."

It continued to say that "all things considered, there could not have been a more propitious spot selected for the establishment of a magnificent residence section. Such provision by nature itself could only beckon to and induce the best elements in a man when he thought of carving out a habitat fair and sweet as is the spot upon which Dayton's Bluff is built."

The attractiveness of the neighborhood then, as now, was seen as an asset. "One of the most attractive features of this district is its beauty spots, and in no other section of the city will be found such great natural advantages for improvement and parking as in this section," the booklet stated. "The Indian Mounds, now the magnificent park overlooking the Mississippi River, today is one of the historic scenic features which visitors to St. Paul are directed to see."

The nearly 7,000 families in the community allowed for "great opportunities for building up a prosperous and profitable business." The population today is about the same. "For the home builder, the greatest of all opportunities are offered, health, location, convenience to the business center of the city, quiet, and the moderate price of property."

It continued, "the general trend of the city's business is such that Dayton's Bluff will always remain distinctly a residence section - not of those who desire to live surrounded by great luxury and display, but those who desire health, comfort, quiet and convenience."

It seemed that even a century ago, the community leaders appreciated the area's diversity. "There is no particular nationality nor class that predominate on Dayton's Bluff," they said. "It is a section of a city strictly metropolitan and cosmopolitan in its residents. All nationalities and classes are represented." Then it was mostly Yankee, German, Irish, and some Scandinavians.

The booklet featured the hustle and bustle of commerce in the neighborhood: "One of the business streets, East Seventh Street, has a larger number of firms than any other, but Maria Avenue, Third Street, Conway Street, Bates Avenue, Hastings

Avenue, and Earl Street all have stores that furnish practically everything that is needed by the people of this section...In all there are about 2000 retail merchants in the section...these are all flourishing, and the field offers every opportunity to newcomers." Sounds incredible since by comparison, today there are a few hundred operating companies in 2018.

But like then, many new businesses have been started by newcomers. The community still had needs that the Commercial Club hoped could soon be filled. "First and most important at the present time would be the location of a bank in this section. This has been agitated and talked of for some time... There is no question but an institution of this character would succeed." They were to have two banks within a few years and others later. Today, many people here would be overjoyed to see even one bank somewhere on East Seventh.

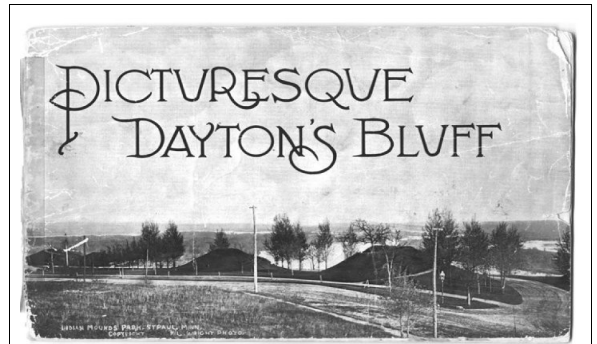


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A 1909 booklet produced by the Dayton's Bluff Commercial Club highlighting the neighborhood's many desirable assets.

Because of the railroad tracks passing along the northern edge of the neighborhood, there were also several manufacturing concerns in the area. The Commercial Club's booklet proudly included several of them in its pages. One of the largest was Northern Malleable Iron Works. It covered several acres on Forest Street near East Seventh and employed between 300 and 500 men. A descendant of the company is still operating today.

Osgood & Blodgett Manufacturing Company on Duluth Avenue near Seventh Street, had a large line of flooring, lumber, and millwork, as well as boxes. While there was no story about Hamm's Brewery, there was a full-page sketch of the company. William Hamm, the head of the company, was a prominent member of the Commercial Club. It was also the railroad that attracted Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing (3M) to come to the Bluff in 1911.

Picturesque Dayton's Bluff has been out-of-print for many years and is almost impossible to find. The Minnesota Historical Society has a copy, and I have one that was given to me 25 years ago. Maybe I should scan it and put on the Forum web page. If you want to read the much longer article I wrote a decade ago, go to www.daytonsbuffdistrictforum.org, click on "Past Issues" and find the July 2008 Forum. Maybe a group should get together and produce a modern promotional booklet with a name to reflect the neighborhood today.

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