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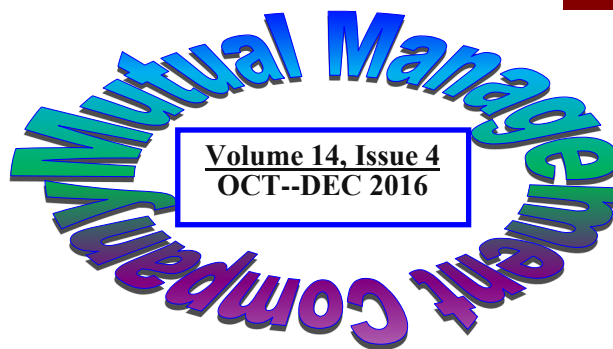
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Open Streets, a City of Minneapolis program to encourage biking and walking by closing streets to auto traffic for a day, came to our neighborhood on Saturday, Oct. 1st. The weather couldn't have been more perfect as neighbors and many visitors strolled and biked down 6th Street.



Winter Heating Tips

Make sure storm windows are closed, radiators are not covered by curtains or blocked by furniture. (Minimum 6-8" clearance should be allowed between radiators and furniture.) Heat registers also need to be open and not blocked by furniture. Before reporting a no heat situation, check all of the above and make sure the thermostat is turned up to at least 70 degrees.



Minnesota Law requires that buildings and heating systems must be capable of maintaining a temperature of 70 degrees at all times in all rooms. Even though the thermostats go up to 85-90 degrees, the buildings and heat systems are not designed to maintain such high temperatures. A no heat situation is only when a room temperature is below 70 degrees.

Thank you for your cooperation!



**Mutual Management Company
will be closed:**

Thanksgiving

Thursday, November 24

Friday, November 25

Christmas

Friday, December 23

Monday, December 26

New Years Day

Monday, January 2

Happy Holidays!

Parking Policy

Parking policies state that, "any vehicles in parking lots, driveways, etc. must be in drivable condition, have current plates and be moved on a regular basis." Now that the snow season is here, it is especially important that these rules are followed so plowing can be done properly. Any vehicles that don't meet these requirements will be subject to towing at owner's expense.

There is no parking allowed on lawns. Parking is only allowed in permanent driveways and pads. Any damage done to lawns/property by residents will be charged back to the residents.



Please contact the office with any questions. Thank you!

CENTERPOINT COLD WEATHER RULE & UTILITY ASSISTANCE

CenterPoint Energy is reminding customers about certain rights and their responsibilities as it relates to the Cold Weather Rule (CWR), which protects residential customers experiencing difficulty paying their natural gas bill from having their natural gas service disconnected between Oct. 15 and April 15, 2017. While the CWR does not prevent customers from being disconnected for nonpayment, it does provide customers extra protection as defined in the CWR, but residential customers must contact CenterPoint Energy to set up a payment plan.

Customers who anticipate having trouble paying their entire natural gas bill, have received a Notice of Proposed Disconnection or need gas service reconnected are all urged to call CenterPoint Energy to establish a payment plan. A payment plan will include what is owed as well as the amount to be billed and will take into consideration a customer's financial situation and any other special circumstances. The payment plan must also be agreeable to both the customer and CenterPoint Energy. If an agreed-upon payment plan cannot be reached, customers have a right to appeal under the CWR.

Under the CWR, special payment terms are available to customers who:

- Apply for and receive Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) funding assistance in Minnesota, or
- Meet income guidelines set by the state of Minnesota and provide proof of income.

Call CenterPoint Energy to set up a payment plan at 1-612-372-4680 or 1-800-729-6164.

ENERGY ASSISTANCE

If you need help paying your energy bill, you may qualify for energy assistance. Contact the State Energy Assistance Info Line at 800-657-3710 or the Salvation Army Heatshare Program at 612-767-2700.

Moving out? Please note:

1) You must vacate by noon of the established move-out date. Failure to do so may result in a \$150.00 Holdover Fee.

2) You are responsible to remove all of your belongings by noon of the established move-out date. If mattresses, furniture, etc. are left behind, you may be charged \$300.00 for trash removal.



RIVERSIDE HOMES SNOW REMOVAL POLICY

This policy is in accordance with the terms of your Lease Agreement with Mutual Management Company.

All residents are required to remove snow and ice from the walkways and steps leading to their homes. City ordinance requires that snow of one (1) inch or more must be removed from sidewalks within 24 hours after the snowfall. In the case of a multiple dwelling (duplex, etc.), all residents are responsible for ensuring that the snow and ice is removed. Management will issue warnings and take follow-up action for those addresses where snow is not removed within the 24-hour period.

Residents may request a snow shovel for their unit: call the office at 612-333-9164 to request a shovel. Residents in multiple dwellings should also talk with their neighbor about sharing the responsibility for snow removal and supplies. Management will not be involved in resolving disputes about snow removal.

Management will remove snow for resident's occupying handicapped accessible units .

A snow removal contractor will remove snow from the public sidewalks, parking lots and fire lanes. Parking lots, driveways and fire lanes are plowed only after snowfalls of at least 2 inches. When the snow is heavy (6" or more) the plow will make a path and return later to plow completely. Plowing will begin after the snow ceases whether day or night.

It is not possible for the contractor to predict plow times. They have several other contracts and rotate their customers start times fairly. The contractor is working from maps and address lists. Mistakes and oversights may happen. Please direct all questions and concerns to management at 612-333-9164.

Thank you for your cooperation.



Cheap Date Night

\$28

Every Monday from January 27

If you're looking for a way to hook that special sweetie you've been eyeing, or if you just need a reason to get out on Monday night, then you need look no further than Bryant-Lake Bowl's Cheap Date Night. From 6 p.m. to midnight, \$28 gets you two entrées, a bottle of wine or four beers (two apiece), and a game of bowling, which means plenty of icebreakers at a price that appeals to your inner cheapskate. With its sharp interior decorating and hip music, BLB offers the perfect atmosphere to woo your date by candlelit dinner. If that doesn't get the sparks flying, then a round of 10-pin should do the trick. Assuming all goes according to plan, there's a late-night happy hour after 11 p.m. featuring \$3 domestic beers and \$4 wine, rail drinks, appetizers, and select tap beers.

More at www.citypages.com

LOCK DOORS

There have been reports of common doors left unlocked. Please, be sure to lock your common door every time you leave your unit. Let's keep our properties safe and secure!



-MMC Management



Minneapolis could be the first with a sister city in Somalia

Somali leaders in Minneapolis will ask the City Council this week to consider adding a Somali community to its list of sister cities — a move that would be a first for any American city.

The proposal, which has support from a long list of Somali business, cultural and community groups, along with local elected officials, calls for Minneapolis to partner with Bosaso, Somalia's third-largest city. It's a diverse port city on the northern end of the country, home to people who have fled other areas during Somalia's civil war — and a large number of residents with connections to Minnesota.

Council Member Abdi Warsame, the first Somali-American elected in Minneapolis, said a sister-city arrangement would formalize the many informal relationships that already exist between the two communities. Several local business owners also have businesses in Bosaso and many of the items in the Somali Artifact and Cultural Museum, near E. Lake Street and Bloomington Avenue S., are from the region.

Perhaps even more importantly, Warsame said, a sister-city agreement would help raise Somalia's status in the United States and the rest of the world.

"I think it will galvanize the Somali community in the United States as a whole," he said.

Bosaso would be Minneapolis' 12th sister city.

But Warsame and others said they expect Minneapolis' relationship with Bosaso would go further than just adding another pin on a world map.

Mohamed Jama, general director of the Cedar Riverside Youth Council, said he's hopeful the arrangement could foster exchange programs for young people in both countries. He said opening young men and women's eyes to what life is like in other parts of the world could have a big effect — even in fighting efforts by terrorist groups to recruit Somalis.

"We're very energized about it," Jama said. "It's an opportunity to give people a glimpse of what hope really is and creating that hope for them. In places like Africa there is a dire need for that."

Osman Ahmed, vice chairman of the Somali American Chamber of Commerce, said Bosaso is a major hub of the telecommunications industry, which makes it a good fit for shared business development. He also expects that a closer relationship with Minneapolis could help give Somalis a better understanding of American culture — and in turn push back against radical political movements.

"We've been working for a long time to bring the two cities together, culturally and also in education," he said. "And in all aspects of human development."

The proposal will go before the council's Intergovernmental Relations Committee on Thursday, where Warsame expects it will find advocates.

"I think there's a lot of support on the council for it," he said.

"And I think this is a historic moment."

More at www.startribune.com

WINTER SAFETY TIPS

Driving Safely In Winter Weather

Snow, ice, and extreme cold can make driving treacherous. These safety tips from CDC, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, and the National Safety Council can help make winter car travel safer.

Before winter arrives, have your car tuned up, check the level of antifreeze, make sure the battery is good, and check your tire tread or put on snow tires.

Keep emergency gear in your car for everyday trips:

cell phone

flashlight

jumper cables

sand or kitty litter (for traction)

ice scraper, snow brush, and small shovel

blankets

warning devices (e.g., flares, reflectors)

For long car trips, keep food, water, extra blankets, and required medication on hand.

Avoid driving in snow or ice storms. If you must travel in bad weather, drive slowly. Let someone know what route you're taking and when you plan to arrive so they can alert authorities if you don't get there.

If your car is parked outside, make sure the exhaust pipe and the area around it are free of snow before you start the car. Snow packed in or around the exhaust pipe can cause high levels of carbon monoxide in the car.

Don't sit in a parked car with the engine running unless a window is open. Do not let your car run while parked in a garage.

If your car stalls or gets stuck in snow, light two flares and place one at each end of the car, a safe distance away. Make sure snow has not blocked the exhaust pipe. Then stay in your vehicle and open a window slightly to let in fresh air. Wrap yourself in blankets and run your vehicle's heater for a few minutes every hour to keep warm.

Walking In A Winter Wonderland

Walking in icy, snowy weather can be dangerous, but these tips from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration can help make your trek safer.

Dress in layers and wear boots with nonskid soles. Wear a bright scarf or hat or reflective gear so drivers can see you.

Walk on sidewalks if possible. If sidewalks are covered in snow and ice and you must walk in the street, walk against the flow of traffic and as close to the curb as you can.

Don't wear a hat or scarf that blocks your vision or makes it hard for you to hear traffic.

When traveling with babies or small children, dress them in bright or reflective clothing. Always keep children--whether in a stroller or on foot--in front of you and as close to the curb as possible.

Before you step off the curb, make sure oncoming cars and trucks have come to a complete stop.



Cheddar, Corn and Potato Chowder

Comfort food for a cold winter's night!

Serves 4



Ingredients:

3 tablespoons butter
1 yellow onion, chopped
1 tablespoon flour
32 ounces vegetable broth
2 1/2 cup diced Yukon Gold potatoes (about 4 large)
2 cups frozen yellow corn
2/3 cup milk
1 1/2 cup shredded sharp cheddar cheese
Salt and pepper to taste
pinch of cayenne pepper (garnish)
Chopped parsley (garnish)

Method:

In a large saucepan over medium high heat, melt butter and sauté onion about 5 minutes, until tender. Mix in flour, coating the onion. Add broth and bring to a boil, whisking constantly until smooth. Reduce heat, add potatoes and simmer 20 minutes until tender. Slightly mash potatoes in soup, then stir in corn and milk. Cook another 5 minutes, remove from heat and stir in cheddar cheese. Season with salt and pepper. Garnish, if desired.



*When there is snow on the ground,
I like to pretend that I am walking on clouds.
~ Takayuki Ikkaku*

Zumba Fitness

Zumba is a fun, effective, easy-to-follow, Latin-inspired, calorie-burning dance fitness that's moving millions of people toward joy and health. Zumba has grown to become the world's largest and most successful dance-fitness program with more than 12 million people worldwide of all shapes, sizes and ages. Dance yourself to fitness. Get your heart pumping and your feet moving. Perfect activity for all. Grab a friend and join in. It's not exercise, it's FUN!

Ages 18+ FREE

Tuesdays, 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Elliot Rec Center

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YOGA

Announcing yoga sessions offered at Andrew Riverside Presbyterian Church, 403 S.E. 8th Street, Minneapolis. Mondays at 9am and Tuesdays at 7pm. Pay what you can. All levels welcome.



About Holidazzle

Get ready to enjoy a little North Country right here in Downtown Minneapolis.

The Minneapolis Downtown Council and Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board are excited to partner together and bring Holidazzle to Loring Park. As downtown Minneapolis' premier holiday celebration, Holidazzle has delighted residents, visitors and downtown employees for years. Now, in 2016, this tradition is bringing family-friendly programming to Loring Park and is free and open to the public. You and yours are invited to join in the festivities!

2016 Holidazzle dates:

Thursdays through Sundays, November December 1-December 23

Thursday, December 1-Sunday, December 4

Thursday, December 8-Sunday, December 11

Thursday, December 15-Sunday, December 18

Thursday, December 22-Friday, December 23

Take Part In Our Beloved Holiday Experience

Holidazzle creates a community gathering place and holiday destination for people of all ages to come together and celebrate winter in Downtown Minneapolis. This year's Holidazzle features stories highlighting local people, products and places that showcase the food scene, art district, park system, active lifestyle, local entertainers and community groups that make our city and our region unique and special.

Minneapolis-centric vendors provide options for prepared and packaged food, beverages and unique gift and craft items. This year's programming lineup will include the outdoor skating rink, visits from Santa Claus, musical performances from bands and choirs, weekly movies featuring holiday classics, themed days, giveaways, surprise and delight moments and more.

Heat up and grab a beverage in the warming house, then continue your trek testing out some of Minnesota's finest products. Vikings, moose, and abominable snow men alike are all welcome. Stroll through the festive lights and follow the savory smells as you enjoy your holiday experience in the heart of the city.

More at www.holidazzle.com





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