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The Field Regina Northrop Neighborhood Group Newsletter

July–September 2003

2003 Family Fun Day Sets a New Standard for Fun

by Stephanie Dossier

On Saturday, June 7th hundreds of Field Regina Northrop Neighborhood residents enthusiastically turned out in support of our 13th Annual Parade that was even more festive, diverse and neighborhood based than in the past. An estimated five hundred parade watchers clapped and cheered as the Grand Marshalls from the Ed Solomon family led dozens of children, multiple bands, churches, block clubs, businesses and even the Minnesota Thunder mascot down Chicago Avenue. Nearly 300 participants walked in the parade itself.

The parade began at Walgreens drug store and traveled south down Chicago Avenue to 48th where they went east and then north on Elliot Avenue ending at McRae Park and the annual McRae Park Family Fun Day events.

At the park the smell of brats and hot dogs on the grill hovered in the air along with the gleeful cries of kids playing games and jumping in the inflatable air trampoline. Many volunteers donated their time to twist balloons into familiar characters, oversee games, take tickets and cheerfully paint animated pals on children's cheeks.

Thanks to everyone who helped make these community events possible.

Sabathanites Drum Corps



Regina Spruces Up

Regina block leaders help spruce up the Regina Neighborhood from 42nd to 46th Street and Second to Fourth Avenue in preparation for the Minneapolis–St. Paul Annual Home Tour. Regina Neighborhood had one of its homes on the tour this year! (Pictured are Marlene Stewart and Amie Rankin, two of several blockleaders and residents who participated in the cleanup.)



*Isiserettes—
Fezzan Court #7*



*Field Middle
School GEMS
(Girls in
Engineering and
Math and Science)*





Projects & Committee Update

We can use your help with these projects. Call 721-5424 for more information.

Business Committee/Phase 2 Task Force

Enhancing and supporting the business community that strengthens the neighborhood.

- New Neighborhood Directory: Recommends providing \$2,000 in funds to support publication of new directory.

Communications Committee

Improving two-way and timely communication within the neighborhood between residents, FRNNG, McRae Park, churches and businesses that contribute to FRN neighborhood's quality of life.

- New FRN Neighborhood Directory: Committee making good progress on creating a new edition of the neighborhood directory.
- Committee Annual Workplan: Committee created and recommends to the Board its annual workplan and budget for this fiscal year.

Housing Committee/Phase 2 Task Force

Creating a safe and healthy environment for all FRN residents by developing housing strategies to rehabilitate existing housing stock and affordable rental housing, promote the racial, cultural and ethnic diversity of the FRN Neighborhood and create opportunities for older home-owners to remain here despite changing circumstances.

- Project for Pride and Living (PPL) House: Groundbreaking ceremony will take place at 7 p.m., July 16th for the PPL home at 4515 Fifth Ave. S.
- Committee Annual Workplan: Committee created and recommends to the Board its annual workplan and budget for this fiscal year.
- 2003 Parade: Recommended reallocating \$350 in Housing Funds to support the annual parade budget.

Community & Safety Committee/Phase 2 Task Force

Creating a safe and healthy environment for the neighborhood by implementing strategies to prevent crime, promote cohesiveness, and foster a sense of community and safety both on our individual blocks and throughout FRN.

- Crisis Nursery: Committee received proposal from the Crisis Nursery to create a "rain garden" on the south side of their building at 46th and Fourth Ave. S. Committee recommends approval of plan to the FRNNG Board.
- Committee Annual Workplan: Committee created and recommends to the Board its annual workplan and budget for this fiscal year.

All committees are open to the public. For specific times and places, see the calendar in this issue or call the FRN Info Line at 721-5424.

Business Buzz

Excited about the changes at 48th and Chicago? Concerned about parking? Looking for a chance to make a difference? Please come to the next Business Committee meeting: Aug. 12, 6:30 p.m., Chicago Deli, 4810 Chicago Ave. S.

The FRN Business Committee is looking for a new chairperson and actively seeking new members to help define how to spend its substantial remaining NRP funds in ways that will benefit the community.

Help Needed for Parkway Fundraiser

The Field Regina Northrop Neighborhood Group (FRNNG) is looking for volunteers to help with a film-fundraiser to be held this fall at the Parkway Theatre. The event will raise funds to continue FRNNG's community work—ensuring that our neighborhood continues to be a vital, stable part of the city.

This fundraiser will spotlight the Parkway Theatre as a lively neighborhood institution. Planning begins this month. To volunteer, please contact the FRNNG office at 721-5424.

Walk for Health and Safety

Be healthy and help the neighborhood at the same time. How? The Community & Safety Committee wants to revive our Neighbor-to-Neighbor walking group. During the summer when many of us are outside, we can help keep our neighborhood safe.

Organized walking groups are trained to spot unwanted activity and take appropriate action. We have had a walking group in the past. Unfortunately, interest in the group waned. We want to recreate the walking group to help keep unwanted activity out of our neighborhood. We are not asking people to do anything dangerous. We are asking people to be the eyes that help the police do their job even better. People will be trained on what to do or not do, so they are not putting themselves in danger. If you are interested in joining the group please call the FRNNG office at 721-5424.

Lend a Hand to Make the Fall Celebration a Success!

This time of year, most of us hope summer will last a long time, but we are already talking about the September Welcome Neighbor Night annual celebration. This event brings together friends and neighbors, old and new, to celebrate community, voluntarism and the diverse strength of our neighborhood. But it is also just to have a good time! Last year, over 100 people turned out for a great potluck, music, door prizes and latest information about future neighborhood projects and organizations serving our community. It's a lot of fun! To get involved, call 721-5424.

Summertime and Lead Poisoning in Minneapolis

by June E. Anderson

It's summer! We're opening windows and letting fresh air into our homes. Kids and grownups alike are getting outside to play. Many of us are thinking about home improvements. It's a great time of year! These summer time activities increase lead exposure. What can we do to minimize this exposure?

In Minneapolis, it is estimated that three out of every four houses or apartments contain lead-based paint. During the past ten years, over 2,500 Minneapolis children under the age of six have been diagnosed with high levels of lead in their blood. If left untreated, the health of these children may suffer, as well as their ability to learn. Because lead is in paint chips and dust, and in the soil, some spring and summer activities put kids at increased risk for lead poisoning.

Where Does Lead Come From?

- Paint on the inside or outside of homes built before 1978.
- Dust and paint chips from old paint.
- Soil that has lead in it. In Minneapolis, it is assumed that all soil has lead in it due to the use of leaded gasoline in the past.
- Hobby material such as paints, solders and fishing weights.
- Tap water from homes with lead pipes.
- Mini blinds, especially those manufactured outside the U.S. before July 1996.

What Can I Do About Lead Poisoning?

- Clean your window wells, cover bare soil, mop floors. If you're remodeling, use lead-safe work practices, including working wet, i.e., misting painted surfaces before scraping or sanding. HEPA vacuums are available for loan at many local hardware stores and the city of Minneapolis has lead-safe work practices videos.
- Have your child tested for lead. The MN Department of Health and the MN Medical Association released new guidelines this spring stating that all Minneapolis children under age six should be tested for lead.
- Look for lead in your home, especially from old peeling paint.
- Clean up the lead. Wet-wipe surfaces instead of dry dusting. Use a HEPA vacuum with special filters. Wash dust and loose paint chips from window wells and woodwork.
- Keep kids away from lead. Keep children away from chipped and flaking paint, and wash your child's hands before meals and bedtime.
- Feed your child healthy meals. Foods high in calcium and iron (milk, cheese, yogurt, lean beef, chicken, turkey and beans) help keep lead out of young bodies.
- Take your shoes off at the door. Sometimes lead (especially lead in the soil) can come into a home from a child's or parent's shoes.

If you have questions or concerns about lead, call the Minneapolis Lead Hazard Control Program at 673-3535, or call 1-800-424-LEAD.

SIGNIFICANT ACTIONS



Taken at Recent FRNNG

Executive Committee & Board Meetings

Executive Committee meetings are at 6 p.m. on the third Wednesday of each month at Lake Nokomis Presbyterian Church, 1620 E. 46th St., followed by Board of Directors meetings at 6:30 p.m.

At the May and June meetings, Board of Directors approved

- Monthly check expenditures.
- Sending a letter to the City in support of the new business, Kumon Math and Reading Center, opening at 46th St. and Bloomington Ave.
- A recommendation from the Housing Committee to reallocate \$350 from committee funds to support the 2003 Parade budget.
- A recommendation from the Business Committee to approve a future reallocation (dependent on final costs) of \$2,000 from committee funds to support production of the new neighborhood directory by the Communications Committee.
- Tabling a request asking FRNNG to recommend approval of variance request allowing for changes to property setbacks.
- An NRP Policy Board resolution calling for allocating \$1 million from citywide NRP Phase 2 funds to be dedicated to support community-oriented public safety activities.
- A recommendation from the Business Committee for the Board to take responsibility for organizing a fall fundraiser in collaboration with the Parkway Theatre with proceeds to go to FRNNG for neighborhood projects.
- Participating in the Ninth Annual Latino Resource Fair at Powderhorn Park in August.
- Providing a raise in salary to FRNNG staff as a part of the annual contract renewal.
- Expending up to \$85 of increased memory for the office computer.
- The annual workplans and budgets for three FRNNG Committees: Business, Community & Safety, and Communications.

Summer Sociability

Gatherings for parents and their small children. Conversation among the adults while the children play. 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. Tuesdays through Aug. 19.

Lake Nokomis Presbyterian Church, 1620 E. 46th St. 721-4463.

CALENDAR

July 15 to September 20

July

- 16 **FRNNG Executive Committee**
Lake Nokomis Presbyterian
Church, 6 p.m.
FRNNG Board Meeting
Lake Nokomis Presbyterian
Church, 6:30 p.m.
- 22 **Communications Committee**
Chicago Deli, 6:30 p.m.
- 23 **Neighborhood-wide Block
Leader Meeting**
McRae Park, 6:30 p.m.
Business Committee
Carbone's, 6:30 p.m.
- 28 **Advisory Council**
Third Precinct, 6:30 p.m.
- 29 **Dream Team Public Meeting**
McRae Park, 7 p.m.

August

- 4 **Housing Committee & P2 Task
Force**
Lake Nokomis Presbyterian
Church, 6:30 p.m.
- 12 **Business Committee & P2 Task
Force**
Chicago Deli, 6:30 p.m.
**Community and Safety
Committee**
McRae Park, 7 p.m.
- 13 **SCABA**
Chicago Deli, Noon
Asbury Church Carnival
5:30 - 8:30 p.m.
- 19 **Greater Minneapolis Crisis
Nursery Benefit Golf
Tournament**
Stonebrooke Golf Club,
Shakopee, 9 a.m. - on
- 20 **FRNNG Executive Committee**
Lake Nokomis Presbyterian
Church, 6 p.m.
FRNNG Board Meeting
Lake Nokomis Presbyterian
Church, 6:30 p.m.
- 25 **Advisory Council**
Third Precinct, 6:30 p.m.
- 26 **Communications Committee**
Chicago Deli, 6:30 p.m.

Golf Tournament to Benefit Greater Minneapolis Crisis Nursery

by Christine Welsand

Tuesday, Aug. 19, Time Warner Cable, Minnesota will sponsor a golf tournament in support of Greater Minneapolis Crisis Nursery in recognition of their 20th anniversary. The fundraising event will take place at Stonebrooke Golf Club in Shakopee. Play will begin at 9 a.m. with a shotgun start and will conclude with a banquet luncheon.

Greater Minneapolis Crisis Nursery is the only residential crisis nursery in Minnesota and one of only 20 in the country. Since 1983, the Nursery has offered free, short-term shelter where parents can bring their children, newborn through age six, when stress or crisis in their lives places their children at risk of abuse and neglect. The Nursery also offers programs to help parents resolve crisis and work toward self-sufficiency.

Nursery Executive Director Doug Carter recognizes Time Warner Cable's ongoing involvement. "Time Warner Cable employees have prepared meals for our kids for several years through our Cook for Kids program. We are very pleased that they have chosen us to benefit from this year's tournament," says Carter. "This effort will help us fulfill our mission of strengthening families and preventing child abuse in partnership with the community."

Take part in a fun-filled day of golf in support of the work of Greater Minneapolis Crisis Nursery. Sponsorship and participation information is available by calling either Time Warner Cable at 287-3689, or the Nursery at (763)591-0400 ext. 270.

Look into the Future of 48th and Chicago

On Tuesday, July 29, at 7 p.m. at McRae Park, see architect sketches, discuss options and vote your preferences for development and parking ideas in the 48th and Chicago business area. City Council members Benson and Lilligren, NRP Director Bob Miller and business owners will be present.

The Dream Team, a group of business and neighbor representatives interested in the future of this blossoming business area, has met for many months envisioning its future, with an eye to maintaining its momentum and balancing the needs of neighbors and businesses. The Dream Team has developed ideas for your consideration including plans to maximize existing parking, or add new parking areas, or improve the appearance, placement and use of some buildings. Jack Reuler, owner of the Mixed Blood Theater, will also present an idea to relocate the theater close to the business area. Come, look, talk and vote!

Learning How to Learn

The Nokomis Kumon Center will open its doors Monday, July 7, at 4600 Bloomington Ave. S. The center is a math and reading center for students of all ages and abilities. Class hours of Kumon Center will be Mondays and Thursdays from 3 to 7 p.m. Free diagnostic testing will be given to each student before starting the program. The motto of the Nokomis Kumon Center is "Learning how to learn." So if you are looking for extra help or a challenge for your child or grandchild, call 825-1260 to make an appointment with Melissa Lewandowski, lead instructor, to hear about the program.

Twentieth Annual National Night Out Nears: Rules Change for Blocking Minneapolis Streets

by Bob Milner

Join the fun when the 20th Annual National Night Out (NNO) takes place on Aug. 5 in Minneapolis and 9,500 cities throughout Minnesota and the United States. CCP/SAFE, a unit of the Minneapolis Police Department, and coordinators of NNO in Minneapolis, anticipate more than 40,000 Minneapolis neighbors from at least 1,700 blocks will party in their streets at more than 800 block parties as they celebrate community and safety. But things will be different this year. Because of budget cuts, changes have been made in the rules for barricading streets at National Night Out street parties. The changes follow and they are significant.

The 2003 procedures for NNO party street blocking are as follows:

No Barricades from City of Minneapolis

Minneapolis will not provide barricades. Streets will be closed with special block event tape.

Permission to Close Off Streets

Block clubs need to get city permission to close streets. This year there's a small fee—\$15 if you register by July 22 or \$30 if you register between July 23 and 29. The registration deadline is July 29. You can't apply to block off your street later than July 29.

Application Process

You have to apply to close your street. You can do this online or download an application and instructions by going to www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/nno, or by calling 673-3568 for forms. Note: You do not have to submit signatures of the people on your block this year but you do have to talk to your neighbors. By signing the application you state that at least 75 percent of the residents have agreed to the street closure. Send your application, list of residents and street closure fee to Minneapolis City Council, Attn: Block Event Permit, 350 S. Fifth St., Room 307, Minneapolis, MN 55415-1383.

Street Closure Kits

To get your street closure kit, including block event tape, signs and instructions, take your permit to a Minneapolis fire station or neighborhood association office. Use the block event tape to close your street about two hours before your event begins. Remember to remove the tape when your party ends. You can rent barricades from private vendors, but you must still register to block off your street. You cannot rent barricades from the city.

Don't forget to have a wonderful National Night Out. If you need further information, call 673-3568 and leave a message. Calls will be returned promptly.

McGruff Houses—Umbrella of Safety for the Kids of Field, Regina, and Northrop

by Jim Long

School is out! Children in your neighborhood may need a safe place to go in emergency situations.

The McGruff House program helps children in trouble. Unique yellow signs mark homes where volunteers have been screened and trained by the Minneapolis Police Department's Community Crime Prevention/SAFE unit to help children.



CALENDAR

September

- 1 **Housing Committee & P2 Task Force**
Lake Nokomis Presbyterian Church, 6:30 p.m.
- 9 **Business Committee & P2 Task Force**
Lake Nokomis Presbyterian Church, 6:30 p.m.
Community and Safety Committee
McRae Park, 7 p.m.
- 10 **SCABA**
Pepito's, Noon

Volunteers are generally those who are home most of the time during the day.

Children can go to McGruff Houses when they are

- accidentally locked out of their home
- lost
- hurt
- frightened
- approached by a stranger
- bitten by an animal
- victimized by criminals
- in need of other emergency assistance from adults

McGruff House volunteers have gone through a rigorous screening process including a criminal history check for everyone in the home 14 years of age or older, reference checks, neighbor consultation, and a police in-home interview.

When a child in need comes to a McGruff House, the volunteer calls 911 or the child's parents. Police respond if necessary and the volunteer files a report with Community Crime Prevention/SAFE.

Currently there are about 25 McGruff Houses in the neighborhoods of Field, Regina, and Northrop. More are needed! For an application, please call Crime Prevention Specialist Jim Long if you live in Field or Northrop at 673-2850, or Crime Prevention Specialist Karen Skrivseth if you live in Regina at 673-2856.

McRae Park Schedule

906 East 47th Street, February through March

This is a sample of classes offered at McRae Park. Complete schedule information and program specifics can be obtained at McRae or online at www.minneapolisparcs.org.

Pre-School

Little Fish, Big Fish

Ages 5 & Under, w/Adult
Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays
June 16 - Aug. 15
12 - 1 p.m.
FREE!

Free to Be Me!

Ages 3-5 w/Parent/Guardian
Mondays, July 7 - Aug. 11
6 - 7:30 p.m.
\$20/child

Classical Ballet & Jazz

Ages 3 - 5
Tuesdays
Session 1: June 10 - July 8
Session 2: July 15 - Aug. 12
4:30 - 5:30 p.m.
\$40/session

More Ballet & Jazz

Ages 4 - 6
Tuesdays
Session 1: June 10 - July 8
Session 2: July 15 - Aug. 12
6 - 7 p.m.
\$40/session

Milk & Cookies Camp

Ages 3 - 5
Thursdays, June 19 - July 17
11 - 12:30 p.m.
\$20/child

Youth

Recreation Plus

Children who have completed
Kindergarten - Sixth Grade
Mondays - Fridays
June 16 - Aug. 22
6:30 a.m. - 6 p.m.
\$102/week, full-time + field trip fees

Crafty Kids

Ages 6 - 12
Mondays, June 16 - Aug. 11
3 - 4:30 p.m.
FREE!

Summer Adventure Camp!

Ages 6 - 12
Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays
June 17 - Aug. 14
1 - 4 p.m.
\$15/week or \$100 for 7 or more weeks

A Bird's Eye View

Ages 6 - 12
Wednesdays, July 16 - Aug. 6
10 - 11 a.m.
\$5

Summer Field Trip information for Youth ages 6 to 12 is available by calling McRae at 370.4909

Special Youth Programs

First Tee Golf Lessons

Ages 7 - 17
Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays
July 30 - Aug. 11
11:45 a.m. - 1 p.m.
\$30

Teen Programs

Phat Summer

Ages 12 - 18
Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Fridays
June 24 - Aug. 14
7 - 10:30 p.m.
Most activities are free!

Family Special Events

MARC Sports Round-up

Saturday, July 19
10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
FREE (registration costs for sports)

Aquatennial Festival of the Neighborhoods

Tuesday, July 22
6 - 8 p.m.
FREE!

Please note that, due to budget cuts, the McRae Recreation Center will be closed from Saturday, Aug. 16 - Sept. 1. We will reopen at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 2. Recreation Plus will be in session from Aug. 18 - 22.

Asbury Carnival

In an effort to reach out to the community, Asbury United Methodist Church (4501 Bloomington Ave. S.) will hold a carnival on Wednesday, Aug. 13. 5:30-8:30 p.m. A free supper will be served at 5:30 at the beginning of the Carnival. Popcorn, snow cones, cotton candy, and games for all ages, including a dunk tank and a moonwalk, will be available. Tickets sell for 25 cents with nothing costing more than three tickets. All are welcome!

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Help keep *Close to Home* coming to your door by sending in a voluntary subscription of \$15 or more, and you'll receive a colorful 2003 decal! Combined with the business and church sponsorships, your donations support a significant portion of the newsletter printing and mailing costs. Please keep them coming!

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Close to Home would like to thank the following local businesses and churches in our community for their generous financial contributions to the production and mailing of this newsletter. We appreciate their assistance in keeping communications strong in the Field Regina Northrop Neighborhood. We also encourage residents to support these local businesses so that they can continue to be a strong and vital sector of our community.

Patron Level

Family Dental Clinic, 45th & Chicago
Minnehaha Animal Hospital, 48th & Chicago
Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, 47th & Chicago
Pepito's Restaurant, 48th & Chicago
South Chicago Avenue Business Alliance (SCABA)
Southside Community Clinic, 43rd & Fourth
St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church, 45th & Third

Donor Level

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Chicago Deli, 48th & Chicago
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*Greater Minneapolis Crisis Nursery, 46th and Fourth Ave.
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*Shop in the City, 48th & Chicago
Southside Chiropractic, P.A., 48th & Chicago

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City-County Federal Credit Union, 47th & Chicago
*Ebu Designs, 46th and Bloomington
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Lake Nokomis Presbyterian Church, 46th & 17th
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Minneapolis Sword Club, 48th & Chicago
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Shenandoah Cleaners, 48th & Chicago
T.A.'s Automotive, 46th & Chicago
T.L. Graphics, E. 38th St. and 28th Ave. S.
Terry's Auto Body, 43rd and Chicago

* new sponsors in 2003

Volunteer Opportunities

Call FRNNG at 721-5424

Need Spanish Translator

If you are fluent in Spanish, we need your skill in helping our organization communicate better with Latino residents of the neighborhood. Commitment: some translation of articles/leaflets and help responding to phone inquiries.

Neighborhood Office Assistant

If you have an interest helping in the FRNNG office to answer phones, provide information, make copies, prepare mailings and purchase office supplies as needed—we could use your help! We'll adjust as much as we can to your schedule. Commitment: 15 hours per week or two volunteers at 7.5 hours per week.

Neighborhood Fundraiser in the Fall

Need volunteers to plan and implement fundraiser at the Parkway Theatre. Commitment: three or four meetings now until October.

NRP Phase 2 Planning of Neighborhood Improvement Projects

If you have an interest helping determine the next 15 years of neighborhood improvement projects for housing, business, youth, parks, education, safety, seniors, communications and more—please contact us. Commitment: once a month now until December 2003.

Annual Welcome Neighbor Night—Sept. 23

Need volunteers to help plan the event. Commitment: two meetings and if possible, help on the day of event.

Tutor a Child—This Summer Too!

Volunteers are needed to tutor one or more elementary children in reading, math or both. We have both daytime and evening sites available in the neighborhood. Commitment: two hours per week for minimum of 10 weeks.

Close to Home Newsletter

Layout editors (familiar with Quark XPress) and copy editors are needed so we can spread the work of publishing the newsletter over more volunteers. Commitment: minimum of one CTH issue per year.

Newsletter Subscriptions

We need block leaders or other volunteers willing to sell newsletter subscriptions door-to-door on their block. It's easy and it's another way to meet your neighbors while helping sustain your neighborhood newsletter. Commitment: you choose!

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Articles, photos, and announcements of interest to the FRN community are always welcome.

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Copy deadline for the next issue is August 22.

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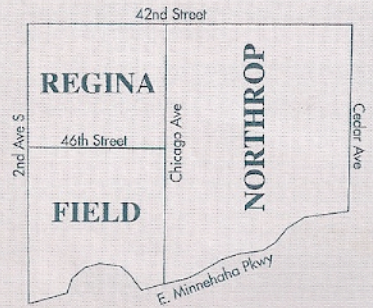
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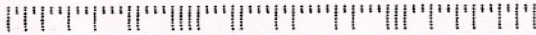
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Neighborhood Tutoring Project: Staff
Teen Job & Opportunity Fair: Needs daytime volunteer

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CCP/SAFE Regina: CPS Jim Long • 673-2850
Officer Bryon Cross • 673-2848
CCP/SAFE Northrop/Field:
CPS Karen Skrivseth • 673-2856
Officer Chris Nichols • 673-2855
Housing Inspector: 673-5858
Senior HelpLine: 729-5499
McRae Park Director: Jennifer Hayes • 370-4909
Airport Noise Complaints: 726-9411



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