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The East Harriet Farmstead Neighborhood Association (EHFNA) is represented by a group of volunteers elected by residents each fall. EHFNA is working to improve the neighborhood through programming that is made possible through the work of neighborhood residents and business owners like you. Please contact us at 612.430.9161 or info@eastharriet.org.

January 2020

Lake Harriet Kite Festival - Saturday!

Date: Saturday, January 25
Time: noon-4:00pm
Location: [Lake Harriet Bandshell](#)
4135 W Lake Harriet Pkwy



We're anticipating another amazing Kite Festival on Lake Harriet. The East Harriet Neighborhood Association (EHFNA) will be on-site selling kites. Kite sale proceeds go to EHFNA neighborhood programming. There will be s'mores, ice fishing, music, fat bikes, storytelling, [MIA](#) art projects and of course, kites.

[Art Shanty](#) will also be on Lake Harriet this year. If you saw the Kite Festival and Art Shanty together in 2018, then you know that this is an event not to be missed! The Art Shanties will remain on Lake Harriet Saturdays and Sundays from 10am-4pm through February 9th.

For more information, or to volunteer for Kite Festival activities check out the Facebook [event page](#) or the Kite Festival [webpage](#).

Community Connections Conference



Date: Saturday, February 1
Time: 9:00am-4:00pm; Check-in starts at 8:00am
Location: Minneapolis Convention Center, Hall A, Lower Level

Two significant moments for democracy are coming up soon, the [2020 census](#) and the [presidential nominating primary election](#). Join us and

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I-35W 2018 Project Work Update

Keep up to date on the I-35W construction work.

Go to the [project webpage](#) to sign up for email alerts and to get the latest schedules, updates, and detours maps.



Be sure to plan ahead and give yourself plenty of time to reach your destination. Consult www.511mn.org for real-time traffic updates.

One alternative option is metro transit which has a

others in the community on Feb. 1 to discuss how these events will affect you, your family and your community at the Community Connections Conference.

[Register here.](#)

The conference is a free, public event that brings together residents of Minneapolis, community groups, neighborhoods and decision-makers to connect, learn and address community issues.

The conference will feature:

Free food.

Performances by local artists.

Kids activities, pickup soccer and goodie bags.

Bilingual community dialogues on topics including violence prevention and wage theft.

Resources for maintaining or purchasing a home.

Job training opportunities and small business assistance.

Health and addiction treatment resources.

Free and low-cost legal aid.

Information about elections and a preview of the 2020 census questions.

Presentations from organizations doing census outreach and voter registration.

Find out more about the conference at:

minneapolismn.gov/connectionsconf.

Primary Voting Information



Early voting has begun. The Minnesota presidential primary date will be on March 3rd.

[Click here](#) to find where you vote.

For more information, check out the Minneapolis voting guide: [Your City, Your Vote](#).

Possible Changes to Minneapolis Public Schools



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Minneapolis Public Schools is in the midst of its [Comprehensive District Design process](#), which aims to increase equity and close student achievement gaps in MPS. Two new studies released last month examine the district's [magnet programs](#) and [community school boundaries](#).

MPS plans to release a proposal with school and boundary changes in late January and will hold [community listening sessions over the next month](#). Community members can also submit feedback online. If passed by the school board later this spring, proposed changes would begin to take effect in Fall 2021. Learn more about the Comprehensive District Design

dedicated [web page](#) for this project.

Lakewood Cemetery Events



Lakewood Cemetery hosts many public events throughout the year. To register or learn more about the events at Lakewood Cemetery [click here](#).

The 2020 Census is Now Hiring



The U.S. Census Bureau is recruiting thousands of people across the country to assist with

the 2020 Census count.

Support Your Community: Decennial census data are used to determine your representation in Congress, as well as how funds are spent for roads, schools, hospitals, and more. Help ensure that everyone in your community is counted in the next decennial census.

Earn Extra Money: Could you use a little extra income? Jobs for the 2020 Census offer competitive wages that are paid weekly. Authorized expenses, such as mileage, are reimbursed for employees doing fieldwork.

Fit Your Schedule: Temporary positions for the 2020 Census feature flexible hours--a perfect fit if you are looking to earn a little extra money, even if you already have other commitments.

Be a Part of History: Every 10 years since 1790, the United States has undertaken the momentous task of counting all of its residents. This is your chance to play a role in this massive operation.

2020 Census Jobs site: 2020census.gov/jobs

Next EHFNA Meeting

**EHFNA Board Meeting
Wednesday, February 5
7:00pm - 8:30pm**

process [here](#).

Status of Theo Wirth House Tours

The Theo Wirth House, located in Farmstead Park at 3954 Bryant Ave S, is owned by the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board (MPRB). The current Minneapolis Park Superintendent leases a portion of the house as their residence. The Minneapolis Parks Legacy Society (MPLS) holds public tours of a limited portion of the house through a permit granted by MPRB.



The Superintendent's lease terminates in February and the MPRB is considering the Superintendent's request to lease the entire house going forward. MPLS is asking MPRB to renew their permit to continue to share the Wirth home for the purpose of conducting public tours.

Contact your [MPRB representatives](#) with any questions or concerns.

East Harriet Happy Hour



Date: Thursday, March 19

Time: 5:00-7:00pm

Location: [Harriet's Inn](#)
4000 Lyndale Ave S

Did you catch the first East Harriet Happy Hour last December? It was a blast! Don't worry if you missed it, we'll have another

one to celebrate Spring. Harriet's Inn has donated space for the neighborhood to come in from the cold to gather and socialize. This is a perfect opportunity to stop by and get to know some of your neighbors. Many of your East Harriet Farmstead Neighborhood Association (EHFNA) board members will also be there so be sure to say "hi" and tell them your ideas for improving the neighborhood.

Come for one hour or stay the whole time--you won't want to miss it!

Contact EHFNA at info@EastHarriet.org with any questions or concerns.

New Energy Efficiency Scores for Home Sales

Walker Health Center
3737 Bryant Ave S

East Harriet welcomes all residents to attend. Should you require an accommodation in order to participate, please let us know 10 days prior to the meeting date by emailing info@eastharriet.org.

Upcoming EHFNA Committee Meetings

Tuesday January 21: Housing, Zoning, Business & Schools 7-8 pm | Walker Health Services (3737 Bryant Ave S)

Thursday February 20: Community Building, Parks, & Environment 7-8 pm | Walker Health Services (3737 Bryant Ave S)

Please stop by any of our committee meetings! Contact us at 612.430.9161 or email info@eastharriet.org for more information.

We are looking for East Harriet Neighborhood residents to serve on these committees. If you are interested or would like more information, contact us at info@eastharriet.org.

EHFNA on facebook



[Join Our Mailing List!](#)

If you know neighbors that are not currently receiving the East Harriet eNews, be sure to have them sign up at www.eastharriet.org or send an email to info@eastharriet.org requesting to be added to the list.

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[Ward 10 City Council](#)
[Ward 13 City Council](#)
[311/ City Services](#)
[Minneapolis Police Department \(MPD\)](#)
[Lyndale Farmstead Park](#)
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Home Energy Summary

The energy improvements below are prioritized by utility bill savings and project cost. The points below show how much your score will improve by completing the project. Visit HomeEnergyHub.org to learn more about these projects.

Energy Improvements <i>(by priority)</i>	Improvement Points	Typical Cost	Rebate	Yearly Bill Savings	
Wall Insulation	Insulate your exterior walls	20	\$2,100–\$2,300	Up to \$500	\$200–\$400
Attic Insulation	Air seal and insulate your attic	16	\$1,900–\$2,200	Up to \$500	\$150–\$300
Heating System	Upgrade your furnace when it's 20 years old	13	\$3,500–\$6,000	Up to \$500	\$150–\$300
Windows	Add a storm window to your single-pane windows	2	\$50–\$60 per window	—	\$6–\$8 per window

Prospective homebuyers will soon have information on a house's energy efficiency before they decide to buy it - like knowing the miles per gallon of a car. Sellers have a Truth in Sale of Housing evaluation, and as of Jan. 15, that document will also include an energy disclosure report showing the home's energy score. The higher the score, the more efficient and resilient to weather extremes the property is.

The energy disclosure report helps buyers and sellers determine what energy efficiency improvements they can make to lower their energy use and reduce carbon emissions. [Read more about the new energy efficiency scores here.](#)