



Hot-roddin', tennis-playin', retired computer guy finds his happy place

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BY STEVE PAQUIN



Rodney Smith at the Kenny SummerFest

“We had 19 cars at SummerFest, ranging from a '34 Ford Victoria and '37 Ford Coupe to a '64 Falcon Convert and a new model Chevy Camaro,” explains Rodney. “All of them except four or five are owned by guys from the neighborhood. Our Kenny Neighborhood group is not a formal organization, but we all have a common interest. The Kenny show gives us a reason to bring out our rides and show them to the community. The response this year, as in years past, was really rewarding. The cars that weren't neighborhood cars were from a group of retiree hot-rodders who meet every Wednesday during the summer. We cruise to some car-related establishment and usually take a tour of the facility. I guess you could call them field trips for hot-rodders. I recently joined the group and have discovered that it's a very supportive and welcoming community. Shortly after graduating from high school in his hometown of Kewanee, Illinois, Rodney finally got a chance to own a hot rod. “I found a guy who had an old '34 Ford in his barn and I bought it, all excited to soup it up, but instead I turned right around and traded it for a '35 Ford. I put a hot rod Chevy V8 engine in it, and from that point on I was car crazy. This was the beginning of the muscle car era in America and I was totally hooked on the power and speed.” Rodney remembers, “I was never much of a street racer as a kid, but there was a place where hot-rodders always hung out. Somebody would issue a challenge and pretty soon we were all off to a piece of road that wasn't patrolled to see whose car was faster. I suppose we were young and a bit dumb.”

“I suppose you could call me a hot-rodder, but I really just think of myself as a guy who loves cars,” explained 16-year Kenny resident Rodney Smith. He and his cadre of classic car collecting friends had proudly displayed their vintage vehicles on the Kenny Park soccer fields for this year's SummerFest. “I also love socializing. That's why we do the car show at SummerFest. I get to hang out with my hot rod friends, meet folks from the neighborhood and talk about cars!” Rodney was a lively presence all evening, moving among the cars, answering questions about his 1962 Corvette convertible, cracking wise and making friends.



Rodney's 1962 Corvette convertible.

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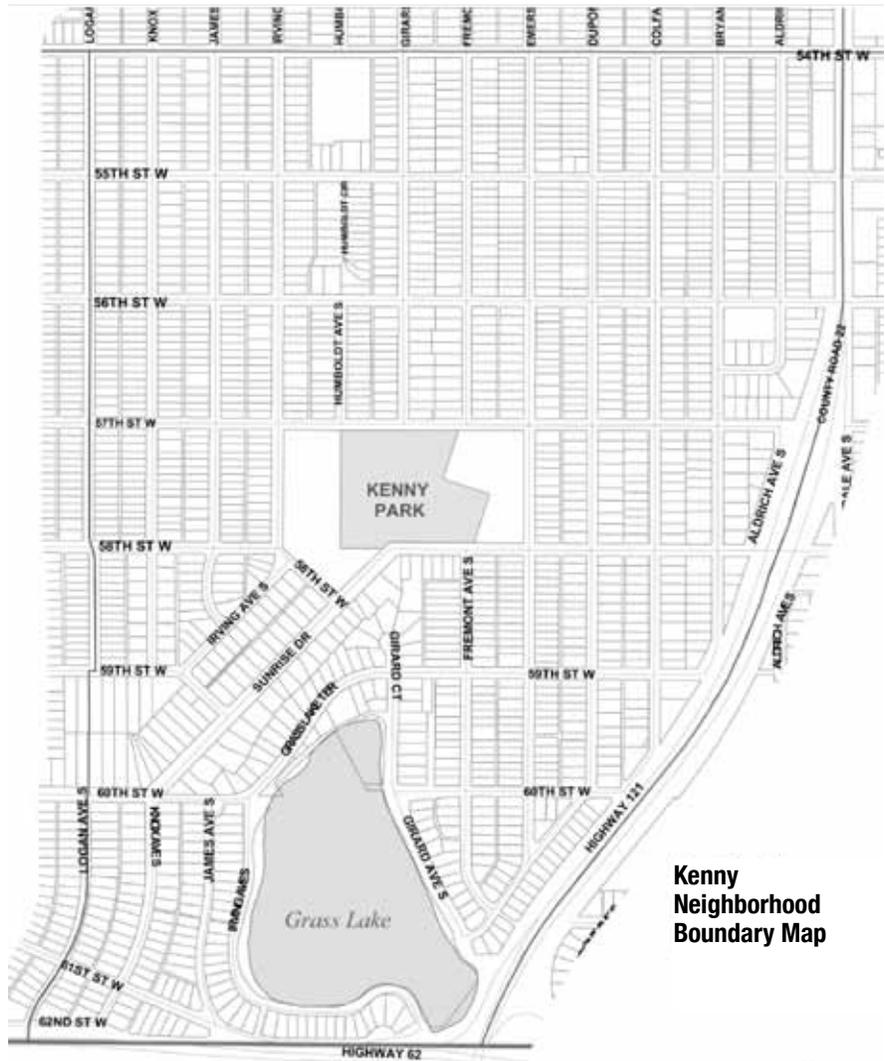
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Meetings are held at 7 p.m. on the third Tuesday each month at the Kenny Park Building, 1328 W. 58th St.

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Letter from the Chair

BY BRYAN SIMMONS
KNA Chairperson

MSP FairSkies Coalition — Working for you

The MSP FairSkies Coalition is a group of residents and neighborhood board representatives from SW Minneapolis and Edina. The Kenny Neighborhood Association (KNA) was one of the founding neighborhoods of the Coalition. FairSkies was formed earlier this year in an effort to keep neighborhood boards and residents informed on airport-related issues and act as a unified voice as we work with our elected officials, the Metropolitan Airport Commission (MAC) and the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). The Coalition wants to make sure we have a say in airport issues, including airplane noise and air pollution in our neighborhoods

Currently, there are two major converging MSP Airport issues that will impact neighborhoods in Minneapolis:

- Proposed area navigation (RNAV) flight paths at MSP airport, which would place an estimated 135 daily departures directly over Minneapolis and Edina neighborhoods and schools
- An airport expansion to accommodate a projected 20% increase in air traffic

MSP FairSkies advocates for:

- Fair distribution of airport traffic across all neighborhoods vs. proposed concentrated RNAV tracks
- Changing how noise is measured from Yearly Day-Night Average Sound Levels (DNL) to Community Noise Equivalent Level (CNEL), which factors in not only the noise level of individual aircraft, but also the number of aircraft during the measurement period
- Expansion of alternative airports and regional rail to alleviate the growth pressure on MSP and spur economic development of greater Minnesota

- Greater transparency and accountability from the MAC and the FAA on how our airport operates

What you can do

- Sign the **new** MSP FairSkies petition at www.mspskies.org/ and make your voice heard. (If you signed the change.org petition in November, we need you to sign this **new** petition, too.)
- Like us on Facebook at “MSP Fair Skies.”
- Contact your representatives (see the MSP FairSkies website for contact information).
- Demand that the Minneapolis mayoral and city council candidates support our cause before agreeing to support them.
- File noise complaints for airplane noise over your home at the MAC website www.macnoise.com/our-neighbors/file-noise-complaint or call the Noise Complaints Hotline (612) 726-9411.

For more information or questions, contact me, KNA Board Chair and MSP FairSkies member at tripdadm@gmail.com.

SummerFest Thank You!

First, a thank you to our sponsors. Borton Volvo for their generous contribution and sponsorship of our music. Diamond Lake Rental for tents, chairs, table, and slide. Our raffle sponsors made our raffle a lot of fun. Where else do you get **two** chances to win a brand new bike! Urban Tri, Smashburger, Freestyle Yogurt, Kowalski’s Market, Starbucks and South Lyndale Liquor all donated items for the event.

Finally, I have chaired the SummerFest planning committee four of the past five years and cochaired this year as I try to

turn over the leadership to some new folks. Of course it’s a bit of work coordinating an event like this but when you have a great committee you have a lot of fun and things come together in the end. Thanks to the 2013 SummerFest Planning Committee — Mary Brozic, Nancy Hoyt-Taft, Ruth Olson, Kristy Reichel, Amy Rimington, Rodney Smith and Rosey Vogan, for all their efforts this year. Also a big thanks to our emcee for the evening Colleen Simmons and everyone on the KNA Board, as well as our neighborhood volunteers who signed up to cover kids games, jumpers, sell tickets and help out with setup and takedown. This event does not happen without all the volunteers, so give them a big hand.

Speaking of volunteers, we do need some new ideas and new members for our SummerFest Planning Committee in 2014. It’s a fun group that generally meets once per month beginning in March. If you have an idea or something you would like to see at SummerFest, we would love to hear from you and welcome your input on the committee. Nancy Hoyt-Taft and Rosey Vogan joined the SummerFest Planning Committee this year and brought some new ideas to the group. Amy Rimington wanted to see a zero-waste event and joined the committee two years ago, and now we have a “green” festival. All it takes is an idea and a willingness to give something back to the community.

If you would like more information on the SummerFest Planning Committee or the KNA Board, please email myself at tripdadm@gmail.com or Mary Brozic at maryb@maryb.biz Jump in, have some fun, make new friends!

Of course, youthful fun inevitably gave way to adult realities for Rodney. "I'm in a great place now, but I sure took a winding path to get here," he muses. "I tried to go to college for a while, but I wasn't a focused student, so I quit and went to work at a John Deere factory. Eventually I wound up in the Army." (Author's note: That's a bit of an understatement. Rodney was a Special Forces Green Beret stationed with a mountain unit in the European Alps. Calling that "winding up in the Army" is akin to calling his '62 Corvette "an old car.")

Deciding the Army wasn't going to be a career, Rodney returned to college after his discharge and earned a degree from Southern Illinois University. He moved to Minneapolis in 1972, where he taught school at Lake Harriet Elementary until 1980. "I really enjoyed teaching, but I didn't want to do it forever. The computer industry was just starting to grow at that time, so I transitioned in to computer sales and eventually started my own computer leasing business. That's when I realized I'd found my calling. Running my own business was perfect for me – and lasted 30 years."

As he raised three kids and grew his business, Rodney never lost his love of cars. "Of course, I had to put my hot rod dreams on the back burner for a while. School, family, work – I had to prioritize my time and money. But at my core I've always been a car guy. Now, I'm fortunate to have the resources and friends to allow me to pursue my passion."

In addition to his 1962 Corvette, which he's owned for 16 years, Rodney has

a 1964 Ford Falcon convertible. Owning only two classic cars makes him the picture of restraint compared with some of his neighborhood friends and people he meets at car shows. "It's a remarkable culture that people become totally immersed in. One of my buddies who came to Kenny SummerFest owns seven Camaros. That's typically how it goes – people fall in love with particular models or manufacturers. You'll have your Mopar or Chevy or Ford guys, or your Mustang guys, 1930s Ford coupe guys and so on. There are more car categories than you could possibly imagine, and people with similar interests seek each other out. There's camaraderie not just at those narrow levels but among classic car buffs in general."

Rodney works on his cars in the garage of his Fremont Avenue home, where his youngest son, Justin, often works beside him. "My car gene got passed down to him for sure, which is great. The only problem is," Rodney adds with a wink, "Justin studied at Dunwoody to become a certified mechanic, and since he knows a lot, he now treats me like I don't know anything!"

They keep it "old school" in their garage, putting the cars up on ramps to work beneath them, but Rodney knows a lot of hobbyist mechanics who have renovated their garages and added car lifts. "I have some buddies whose garages have been turned into unbelievable man caves," he marvels. "The kind of fully decked out spaces we could only have dreamed about when we were young. The ultimate is a place in Chanhassen called the AutoMotorPlex, where you

can buy a high-end condo for your cars. The ground floor is a garage and work area the size of a Kenny Rambler, and there's a lofted living area for hanging out with your buddies. I've heard speculation that the owners of these places have more dollars than sense, but some folks are that deep into their cars."

Owning classic cars is certainly a labor of love. Rodney bought his Corvette 16 years ago and has rebuilt the motor and transmission and repainted it. "I definitely take pride in that car and the work that's gone in to it. Some cars restored to a pristine state are more like works of art and need to be trailered to shows. But I've always wanted my cars to be driven, not ferried. It's the sound and the feel and the smell when I'm on the road that really gets me going."

"The funny thing is, because it looks sleek and sporty, people assume that driving my Corvette is a smooth dream," Rodney notes. "The reality is, compared to a new car, that thing rides like a dump truck! You have both hands and both feet working the whole time, no power steering, no power brakes and the smell of exhaust is always with you. I had a buddy who wanted to borrow it to take his wife on a romantic drive, and I told him 'there ain't nothin' romantic about driving that car!'"

Romantic or not, Rodney loves to take his cars on the road. In addition to rallies around the metro area, he's driven to out-of-state events, including the 2012 Hot Rod Power Tour. "The Power Tour is a weeklong annual party that brings in

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NRP Update

BY RUTH OLSON
KNA Coordinator

Neighborhood Priority Plan: 54th and Lyndale Streetscape

Kenny Neighborhood Association will hold a community vote to approve a Neighborhood Priority Plan supporting development and implementation of a streetscape plan for 54th Street and Lyndale Avenue South. The plan supports Nicollet East Harriet Business Association (NEHBA) in developing partnerships with neighborhood organizations, businesses and the City of Minneapolis to develop and implement the plan. We will hold a community vote at Kenny Park on Sept. 17, 2013, at 7 p.m.

In 2010, Kenny, Lynnhurst, Tangletown and Windom neighborhoods began collaboratively working with local business owners to develop a streetscape plan for the business corridor at 54th and Lyndale in order to make it an attractive, pedestrian-friendly business area for

residents and customers. General plans have been drawn up and several different scenarios were proposed. A basic plan that would install four streetscape elements is being considered: bike loops, benches, trash receptacles and ash urns.

The entire Neighborhood Priority Plan is available for review on the Kenny website: www.kennyneighborhood.org.

The Lynnhurst, Tangletown and Windom neighborhoods will also hold community votes on the Neighborhood Priority Plan. Approval of the 54th and Lyndale Neighborhood Priority Plan will indicate to the City of Minneapolis that this is an important community initiative for the four neighborhood organizations and NEHBA.



Your Community, Your Gardens... Kenny Community Gardens

You can beautify your neighborhood by joining Kenny Community Gardens. The group is currently evaluating sites, plants and crops for the 2014 growing season. If you live in Kenny Neighborhood, you are welcome to participate. Typical activities include digging, planting, weeding, watering, harvesting and transporting. Please contact KNA at 612-392-4477 or info@kennyneighborhood.org.

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How are things going on Penn Avenue??

BY HILARY GREENE

Let's **shop local** encouraged the article in our last Kenny Neighborhood Newsletter. But, when asked how things are now, responses vary: "We've lost 50% of our business...", "We've closed"..., "We're doing ok...", "We're not serving lunch..."

"We've lost at least 50% of our business since construction began in April," Cindy Nguyen, owner of C and P Nails and Cindy's Barber Shop reports. "July was the worst and we had to let two staff go. That was very hard. The street will look nice when it's done, but in the meanwhile, businesses are suffering. There are so many shops like ours that are more convenient to get to right now." Challenges have included doing nails or cutting hair when the building was shaking, barely being able to pay

the rent and being bored. "We want to thank our customers who continue to come — and encourage others to walk, bike, rollerblade or come down the alley and use our parking lot!" Please make an appointment by calling 612-252-0257 for nails and 612-922-3284 for a haircut.

In Season Restaurant planned to close for renovation during construction and re-open in the fall. However, this will not take place and In Season will not re-open. Please visit chef Don Saunder's sister location, The Kenwood, at 2115 W. 21st Avenue.

Lisa Rojas, owner of Dreadlocks for Dingoes is relieved that her pet-grooming salon has been impacted very little by the construction. "Because this is a destination spot - as opposed to driving by and 'let's stop there' — people make an effort to get here. Every day with our appointment reminders, we send an updated map of how to get here. We feel very lucky."

At Settegren's, "It's been a struggle and it will get worse before it gets better," comments

manager Carl McGrane. "We're lucky that we have two other locations to help us along. We need our intersection back — we were doing okay until the 54th and Penn intersection closed. It's a lot worse than I was envisioning. Finding employees things to do and keep busy has been a challenge; we can only clean the floors so many times. We continue to be stocked with items you need; our back parking lot is open, just come down the alley! A barbecue is planned for a Saturday early in September.

Needlework Unlimited (4420 Drew Avenue South.) has closed the NU Yarn Outlet location on Penn Avenue. The long construction period was not a good match for their weekend hours. Karen, of NU says, "We hope to create another exciting opportunity for our customers in the future. Our hearts go out to our neighbors on Penn Ave. through this challenging time."

Café Maude stopped lunch service on weekdays during construction and looks forward to resuming this in the fall. Café Maude offers **free** valet parking for dinner service. Or, you can park on the side streets and walk over. Café Maude is closed on Mondays, open Tuesday – Thursday 5 – 10 p.m., Friday and Saturday 5 – 11 p.m. and Sunday and Sunday for Brunch, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. Stop in!

What about Lunds? Augie Schauer, the



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general manager, reports, "Our store is certainly seeing the effects of the current road closures, just as the businesses around us did a few years ago with the Crosstown/35W multiyear road construction. It can be stressful for residents and businesses alike, but we know road and bridge repairs are necessary. We here at Lunds Penn Avenue are very appreciative of the loyalty of our customers who continue to navigate the road barriers to shop with us".

The City's reconstruction of Penn Avenue is progressing ahead of the schedule. Stephanie Malmberg, the construction engineer, reports that by the time you read this article, paving is anticipated to be substantially complete. MN/DOT's re-decking of the Penn Avenue Bridge over the Crosstown is anticipated to be in progress. The City is anticipated to be starting the process of replacing the sidewalk portions that need to be replaced in order to be compatible with the new street grades.

Please go to the Penn Avenue Construction website for more information and to sign up for regular e-mail updates: www.minneapolismn.gov/cip/all/WC-MS1P-083125.

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cars from all over the country. Every day you drive from one city to another, and at each stop there are demonstrations and competitions. It's crazy – 2,700 cars caravanning down the road and taking over a city. Last summer, it started in Detroit and ended in Dallas. Justin and I drove to Wisconsin, ferried across Lake Michigan and then spent three days on the Tour starting in Detroit. It's kind of a pilgrimage. Guys see the Hot Rod Power Tour sticker on my car and they always say, 'Man, I have to do that one of these years.' I'm really glad we had the experience."

Rodney's next dream is to drive his Corvette on Route 66, an iconic roadway that stretches from Chicago to Los Angeles. "There was an early 60s TV series called *Route 66* where the main characters drove Route 66 and other parts of the country in a Corvette exactly like mine. It's the highway that helped establish the American West and I want

to get a feel for it. It's another one of those pilgrimage routes where you'll see a lot of classic cars cruising. People come from all over the world to experience it."

If the road trips, rallies and wrenching on his cars make Rodney seem single-mindedly focused on hot rods, think again. Recently retired and a remarkably youthful 70 years old, he maintains a healthy balance of activities. "I'm a hot-rodder, but it's not my life. I'm also a tennis player, a bicyclist, a socializer and a lot of other things." When pressed, Rodney even admits that he considers tennis to be his primary hobby, and he's pretty good. "Well, my partner and I compete at the top in our age bracket in the state, and we've played in national tournaments, too. Like I said, I'm in a great place now and I don't see a need to slow down any time soon." An appropriate sentiment, coming from a hot-rodder.




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Find more photos of SummerFest *on page 11.*



Kenny Ice Cream Social a Cool Success

STORY AND PHOTOS BY RUTH OLSON

On a warm night in June around the Summer Solstice, Kenny Neighborhood Association hosted its 2nd Annual Ice Cream Social. The weather was 80 degrees and sunny and the appetites were hungry!

Neighborhood and community volunteers scooped more than 425 cones of wonderful Sebastian Joe's ice cream to a crowd of neighbors, friends and family. Kenny Park served warm popcorn and ice cold lemonade.

We were also treated to a concert by the Crosstown Community Band, who played a variety of Pops music, marches and show tunes. At one point, a 4-year-old and an 80+ -year-old were spotted singing along together to "Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious" from Mary Poppins — it was a beautiful sight.

Many thanks go out to City Church, who cosponsored the event and provided the ice cream and some of the volunteers. Additional thanks go to Kenny Park, Crosstown Community Band and Sebastian Joe's. A 3rd Annual Ice Cream Social will definitely be on the calendar for 2014!



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Man on the Street



Our Man on the Street, Pat Hagan, asked Kenny neighbors,

“What do you love about SummerFest?”



Bryan, Evelyn and Lucia

“It is fun for the family.” Per the Kids, “the kid’s games are fun and the face painting and candy are good.”

Shelly and Brenda

“We like the music and seeing our friends. It is nice to hang out on a nice night in the park. We can catch up with the Kenny kids that grew up here and the ones who are still in the neighborhood.”



Martha and Ken

“Great to see and visit with friends and neighbors. Good food and fun for the children. We see a lot of new kids in the neighborhood and that is a nice change.”

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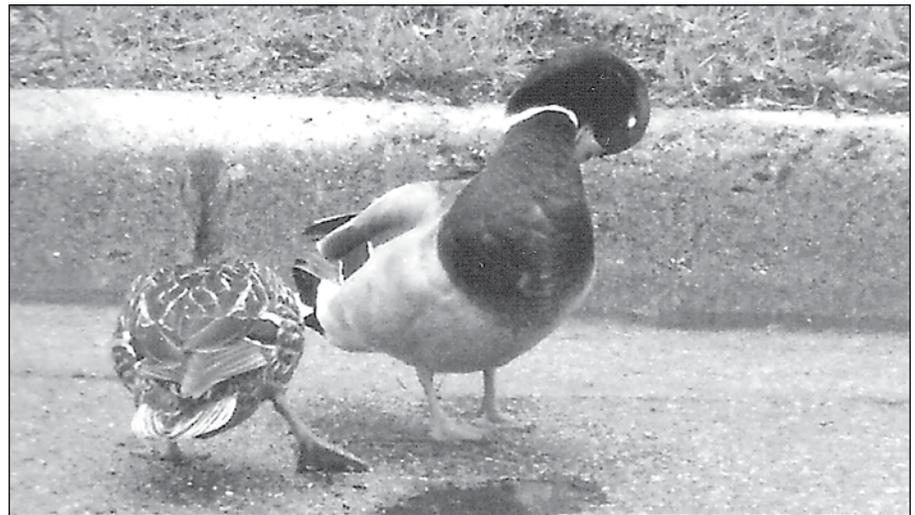
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Meet the Kenny Neighborhood Mallard Couple, George and Weezie

BY RUTH KRINHOP

Sooner or later every spring, a mallard “couple” makes their way to the corner of 57th and Bryant. They spend their time nesting under our maple tree, sitting on nearby roofs, or foraging for food and water in the lush foliage at Rosie’s across the street.

The pair, George & Weezie, got their names from one of our neighbors (Kassia Becker). She said *The Jeffersons* was one of her favorite shows, and the male duck has that certain distinctive walk — just like George Jefferson. George and Weezie only stick around for about 3 weeks each spring, and it is our assumption that new ducklings have changed their daily routine. We look forward to next spring — when George and Weezie come back for their annual visit!!!




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Kenny Park News



BY ROSEY VOGAN

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Monday – Thursday: 1 - 7 p.m.

Friday: 1 to 6 p.m.



Kenny, Armatage, Windom South and Lynnhurst Parks form Community Service Area 12 ... combining resources to offer a greater variety of programs for the four neighborhoods. Check out the combine fall brochure at the park or online at www.minneapolisparcs.org. Registration is now open for fall programs – check out the variety of programs being offered for all ages.

Kenny Park has received a \$500 Grant from People for Parks to provide the musical instruments and supplies for the Tones of Fun classes, resulting in a lower fee for the class.

Fall sports registrations for youth teams in soccer just finished and teams are now formed. Please check at Armatage Park to find out if there are any openings left for your aspiring athlete. Youth volleyball registration will continue until the middle of September, all registrations are being taken at Armatage Park only! Please be sure to bring in a copy of your child's birth certificate when you register.

Volunteer coaches are always in high demand. If you are interested in coaching soccer, volleyball or basketball please contact Rosey at rvogan@minneapolisparcs.org. All coaches are required to complete a background check and concussion training and become certified as a youth sports coach through the MPRB. If you are willing to volunteer, we can help train you to have a successful experience.

To view programs/field trips or to register online, please log on to www.minneapolisparcs.org and click on ActiveNet

Upcoming Fall Programs at Kenny Park

Classes are offered at a variety of times, days and prices – check at the park for more details.

Kenny Preschool focuses on the importance of social interactions and social skills for preschool-age children, with emphasis on sharing, working together, taking turns, problem-solving, listening and following multistep directions. We will also include academic curriculum into our day, like working on letters, numbers, colors and shapes and incorporating a weekly concept such as “I can do it,” marvelous me, opposites, sorting, seasons and more. Join our qualified, wonderful instructors, Ann Horn and Jan Peterson, in making new friends and fun memories. Classes are offered Monday through Thursdays from 9:30 to noon.

Kenny Kids Lunch Bunch is our new program that allows preschoolers a chance to spend time playing and eating with friends in the park while giving

mom's a short break during the day. Program hours are noon to 1:30 p.m. Choose Mondays or Wednesdays or both. The children will be able to have lunch with their friends and have play time afterwards. Bring a bag lunch each day. Milk or juice will be provided.

Tones of Fun group music play sessions for kids aged newborn to 5 years old and their parent. Explore your surroundings with music! Using sensory exploration, functional instrument play, singing and movement to music designed to improve cognitive, gross and fine motor skills, as well as build confidence in children. This class is led by a music therapist. A special thanks to People for Parks for providing a grant to purchase the supplies for this program.

Adult Kick Fit provides a sense of well being, improved strength and stamina. You will increase your flexibility and balance. Are you looking to keep in shape or burn calories in a different way? Have you had a stressful day and are looking for a fun way to work out? Monday and Thursday evenings at 6:30 you will get fit, make friends and release your day on the pads. Coach Tim Blaylark will provide the pads and motivation and you will provide the presence!

Check us out online

• To view programs and field trips or to register online, please log on to www.minneapolisparcs.org and click on ActiveNet

Kenny Neighborhood Garden Club Summer Event

We had a great time Monday, July 8, 2013, when the Kenny Neighborhood Garden Club was invited to view some neighborhood gardens. Shade was the theme for the evening when we visited Maggie Rose's, Mark Glenn's and Bob Engstrom's gardens. All are very different shade gardens with different challenges. Maggie's whimsical garden includes a fairy garden, and she has even managed to fit a vegetable garden and fruit trees into her mostly shady backyard. Mark Glenn is our neighborhood hosta expert/collector and we always enjoy viewing his growing collection. He has a very creative and organized hosta garden with lots of relaxing vistas. And Bob Engstrom's gardens are always a treat, including the gardens along Grass Lake and his steep backyard shade garden, which can be a real challenge. We ended at Bob's with snacks and Bob gifted us all with a beautiful hosta. Thanks Bob! And thank you to everyone for opening your gardens to us.



Mark Glenn's garden



Maggie Rose's garden



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