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Get Out and Meet Your Neighbors on National Night Out (NNO) August 7th. It's a perfect way to have fun and at the same time build a stronger, safer community for your family, yourself, and your neighbors. In today's fast-paced world with people so focused on work, TV, computers, moving from place to place and striving to maintain privacy, it gets more and more difficult for people to connect with their neighbors in good and healthy ways. National Night Out provides the opportunity for people to take a little time out, relax, break the trend toward isolation and share a meal with, neighbors, those who live closest to us.

For 24 years on NNO, the first Tuesday in August, neighbors in Minneapolis and throughout the country have come out of their houses, often closed off their streets, set up tables and chairs and shared potluck, conversation, games, music and more. What started in a small way to create safer neighborhoods has grown to the point where in Minneapolis alone it's expected that there will be more than 1,000 block parties and more than 50,000 neighbors joining in the effort. Across the nation, 34 million people in 10,000+ cities will also celebrate safety and community.

"It just makes sense to me," said Wendy McCormick, a Corcoran Neighborhood resident. "This is where we live, where we spend most of our time so we should do what

we can to make it a better, safer place. Getting to know my neighbors has been great fun. And when we need to deal with nuisance issues or crime it's easy to work together because we know each other after meeting at National Night Out."

There is still time for people to plan a National Night Out event. John Baumann, Operations Manager of CCP/SAFE and coordinator of Minneapolis National Night Out offered, "Having an NNO event doesn't have to be a big production. It can be just a couple of neighbors getting together on a front lawn or in a back yard. It's the spirit of community that's important, so until National Night Out is over it's not too late to plan a get together. And if people want to register their event they can also do that."

To register an event, find out if your block is having an event or find a block party near you, visit the NNO web site, www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/nno or call 311.

For the first time, NNO and United Way have joined forces to offer a contest challenging block clubs to collect food to fight hunger and help restock local food shelves. Neighbors attending a party should to bring two non-perishable food items; peanut butter, jelly, ham and/or tuna, something nutritious. The block donating the most pounds of food wins up to 30 United Way t-shirts. To find your local food shelf, call 2-1-1. For contest details: [www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/nno/United-Way-](http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/nno/United-Way-Food-Drive.pdf)

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For further NNO information go to www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/nno or call 311.

National Night Out is coordinated by CCP/SAFE, a unit of the Minneapolis Police Department. NNO is dedicated to increase the number of block clubs and to help strengthen police-community relations.

Sponsored in part by: Clear Channel Radio, General Mills Foundation, H & R Block, KFAI Radio,

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By Amy Arcand, CNO Staff

CNO submitted a grant request for \$10,000 to the Hennepin County Department of Community Corrections to build a street outreach program that will work with women in prostitution. If funded, the project area will include the Lake Street and 31st Street corridor from Bloomington Avenue to Hiawatha Avenue and on Cedar Avenue from 28th Street to 38th Street. The need for an outreach program was identified by Caring Corcoran Neighbors, a grassroots group of neighbors concerned about their community. If funding is secured, CNO will create a more formal outreach program to help women in prostitution. Our goal is to expand on the relationships that we have established with women on our streets, connect women to existing resources available to them, lead focus groups to help identify gaps in the system, share trends with law enforcement, probation,

the judicial system, and service providers, and make an overall impact on the number of women working in prostitution in our community.

Residents will be able to participate in the project in many ways. Residents who are interested in joining an outreach team will be selected in an open process and trained. In addition, grassroots efforts to inform, connect, and empower residents on the issue of prostitution will continue. Cheryl Barber, with assistance from State Senator Patricia Torres Ray, is leading the current effort to organize residents around the issue of prostitution. This summer and fall, residents will be working with State Senator Torres Ray on possible changes to legislation and organizing to testify before the Senate. Be sure to watch the Corcoran News for more information.

Green Sweep Done, Watch for HHW Collection in September

Sixteen volunteers hauled 13,320 pounds of unwanted junk from neighborhood alleys during last Saturday's Green Sweep event. Household hazardous wastes (HHW) were not accepted, but Hennepin County will accept such items as fluorescent bulbs, thermostats, electronics, pesticides, solvents, paints, and batteries during a nearby three-day collection event at 3607 E. 44th Street from September 20 to 22. Watch for more details in this newsletter. As a year-round alternative, the County also provides residents with a permanent HHW drop-off facility at 1400 W. 96th St., Bloomington (612-348-3777).

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By Mary Buhr, CNN Volunteer

After the successful debut of Movies in the Park at Corcoran Park in June, residents came prepared to settle in for the airing of Happy Feet the evening of Wednesday, July 11th. Many brought their air mattresses and blankets along for the movie.

The slightly breezy, cool July evening was no deterrent. At least seventy five neighborhood residents enjoyed the evening's activities. Snacks and beverages were again available for a small cost, as well as games to entertain children while everyone waited in great anticipation for the feature movie. In between friendly chats with neighbors, many completed a survey for the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board (MPRB) as they evaluate the success of Movies in the Park.

The Minneapolis Institute of Arts hosted an activity for the children before the movie started and KetzalCoaltlicue made another appearance

to share their spirited Aztec music and dance performance.

Then finally, the movie started right on schedule at 9:00pm.

Great music featuring singing and dancing penguins made Happy Feet fun and entertaining for everyone. Themes about differences, believing in yourself, noticing the world around you and being open to change all highlighted a deeper message about how our actions affect the environment. As one audience member said afterwards, "That was a really cool movie!"

Don't miss next month's Movies in the Park on Wednesday, August 8th, featuring Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles. Come at 7:30pm to enjoy the abundant activities and refreshments. Stay to enjoy the movie at 9:00pm.

For more details, call Corcoran Park at 612-370-4919.

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By Matt Wieland, Corcoran Staff

The Corcoran Neighborhood Events Committee plans events that benefit the neighborhood, adds to community building efforts, and raises money to fund the neighborhood organization. The committee now meets the third Wednesday of every month at 6:00 pm at CNO's office located at 3451 Cedar Ave. If you would like to help brainstorm, coordinate, and implement future events for the neighborhood, contact Matt Wieland at 612-724-7457 or email at info@corcoranneighborhood.org. We would love your help!

Next meeting is August 29th. as an exception.

Now Accepting Book Sale Donations

By Matt Wieland, CNO Staff

Corcoran Neighborhood Organization is gearing up for its 4th annual book sale fundraiser, which will take place on Saturday, October 6th. We are now accepting book donations, which we will accept at the CNO office located at 3451 Cedar Avenue. We will continue to accept donations until October 5th. Please call 724-7457 before dropping off books to ensure that we are in the office.

Additionally, if you are interested in helping plan, organize, and run this year's book sale, call Matt Wieland at 724-7457. We would love your creative energy, ideas, and help in making this year's book sale better than ever!

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By Eric Lindberg, CNN Volunteer

The produce vendors' tables are piled high with the fresh rewards of hard work and tender care. Early this month I bought fresh cucumbers and enjoyed a salad of cubed cucumbers, chopped onions, sliced tomatoes and vinegar on a hot summer evening. It was refreshing and we had enough to enjoy a second serving the next night – I like this salad even better once the ingredients have had a chance to marinate. Later in the week we made tuna melts with cheese from the market and put sliced cukes between the bread and the tuna – they add a bit of crunch to the sandwich and are mild enough not to compete with the other flavors. As Rachel says, “YUMMO!”

While we are talking cucumbers--I'm crazy for them. I've added a few slices to a pitcher of water and found that it infuses the water with a very subtle smoothness and even a coolness – and this summer, I'll take coolness wherever I can get it.

Some of the seasonal produce you may find at the market now includes: apples, beans, beets, broccoli, Brussels sprout, cabbage, carrots, cauliflower, collards, cucumbers, eggplant, garlic, herbs, kohlrabi, leeks, lettuce, melons, mustard greens, okra, onions, parsnips, peppers, potatoes, pumpkin, spinach, summer squash, sweet corn, Swiss chard, tomatoes, and zucchini. Weather plays a huge part in what is available, but there are always great breads, good coffee, locally produced meats, cheeses and other dairy products available. Of course, people-watching is always enjoyable too, no matter what the weather.

On August 11th, the Market will be hosting the 13th Annual Latino Family Resource Fair, (La Feria de Recursos para La Familia Latina). This is the fourth year the Market has collaborated with La Oportunidad and Metropolitan Health Plan and hosted this event, which brings information about Health, Wellness, and

Community together in one location.

This year, La Feria will emphasize education. This focus is in response to information that shows only 35% of Latinos ages 18-24 are enrolled in college, compared to 46% of whites of the same age. Therefore, programs from local higher education institutions as well as English as a Second Language (ESL) training programs for youth and working adults will be strongly represented.

Free and open to the public, Le Feria Fairgoers will find something for everyone. In addition to Family entertainment and live music, clowns, and children's activities, Visitors will also find information about career training, health care resources and healthy lifestyles, social and legal services, as well as free health screenings. While La Feria attempts to reach out to the Latino community, the information and activities are available for all who attend.

Photos below by Market Staff.



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CNO Will Visit National Night Out With Hot Summer Announcements

CNO staff members and board volunteers will visit every August 7 National Night Out event in Corcoran this year. We want to connect with more residents and announce two exciting new projects for all kids and adults.

Please be sure your NNO event is registered so we can find you! Registration also helps Minneapolis stay at the top of National Night Out rankings. Registration is quick and easy as dialing 3-1-1.

CNO's visit to your event replaces the quarterly General Membership meeting we hold each August. Your gathering of neighbors is a great way to strengthen your block. What about our larger neighborhood? This is a great chance to discuss your ideas and concerns – at the local, and very local levels – with neighbors and with your neighborhood organization.

Low-Cost Internet Comes to Corcoran

Minneapolis signed a 10-year contract with US Internet to provide the city with high speed wireless internet service. Residents and businesses may purchase service directly through US Internet, with rates starting around \$18 per month. The service gives subscribers internet access from a laptop or handheld device from anywhere in Minneapolis. The network is under construction, with some areas in or near downtown already completed. The "Midtown" area, including the Corcoran neighborhood, is scheduled for completion sometime in August 2007. Contact US Internet at 952-253-3262 or visit www.usiwireless.com.

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Attendees: Amy Arcand, Sara Blanch, Jessica Ward-Denison, Heather Grazzini, Russ Henry, Gwen McMahon, Michael Rohrer, Gerry Tyrrell, Billy Weber

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 Made by Gwen, second by Sara, motion carried unanimously.

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 Jim Davnie briefed the board on the 2007 legislative session, NRP, and recent outreach activities he participated in at Corcoran Park. Legislative highlights Rep. Davnie mentioned include a new law that protects consumers from predatory and fraudulent mortgage practices. This law was enacted in response to the growing number of foreclosures due to improper lending practices. Education has received increased funding for special education which benefits not only students in these programs but all students by decreasing the cost burden on districts. Tuition increases at the U of M and MnSCU campuses was also held to single digits for the first time in 5 years. Groundbreaking new environmental legislation will require that 25% of Minnesota's energy needs will come from renewable sources by 2020. Davnie also noted that Governor Pawlenty's veto of the transportation bill caused the state to lose out on federal matching funds and the Central Corridor LRT was not funded. The future of NRP remains uncertain. Originally funded through TIFF districts, changes in property tax laws in 2001 reduced the revenue and in turn caused a funding shortfall. The city has funded the shortfall, but is hesitant to do so in light of falling LGA funding by the state in recent years. Attempts at the legislature to move on this issue failed this session.

Davnies also participated in a recent meeting in Corcoran Park convened Cheryl Barber and State Senator Patricia Torres Ray to discuss and seek solutions to combat prostitution in Corcoran and surrounding neighborhoods. Torres Ray has committed to working with residents and taking concerns back to discussions with her Senate colleagues this fall. The board will ask Torres Ray to a future board meeting to discuss working cooperatively.

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 Made by Billy, second by Russ, motion carried

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 Review of May financials found them in order. Amy also reported that the shift to in-house accounting is proceeding.

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 CNO Executive Director Amy Arcand has suggested and formally requested that the board establish accountability standards and expectations for new and existing committees. Policy to be developed and clarified includes; rules for establishing a formal committee relationship with CNO; written and approved committee structures; adherence to CNO's conflict of interest policy (policy needs review); establish Code of Conduct. Some committees given the scope and nature of their work will need to address other items.

The board discussion of these issues focused on the need to provide clear expectations regarding rights and responsibilities of community members involved in CNO and the need to structure formal committees in a manner that encourages grassroots organization of neighbors and provides these ad-hoc groups information regarding resources and processes that are available to them through CNO. The Executive Board will take up this discussion at its monthly meeting.

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 Amy Arcand gave the following update regarding grants update. A Community Power grant for \$12,000 and a Metro Regional Arts Commission grant for \$7,500 were received for garage mural painting. The artist is Elise Kylo who will paint on the theme of waste reduction. City of Minneapolis full submission for \$10,000 grant will be going in shortly. The project will focus on CO2 reduction in the neighborhood.

Amy also briefed the board on Senator Torres Rey's interest in working with the neighborhood on issues related to prostitution. (See above discussion.)

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Gxgpv<" Movies in the park continues in August with Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles. The committee is focused on making these events fun for everyone. The committee is also soliciting new members—interested people should contact Heather Grazzini or the office.

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 The following motions were forwarded to the Board by the Housing Committee and were included on the consent agenda:

Oqvkqp The committee moves to support the development of 3448 20th Ave S -- a lot left vacant when the previous four-plex burned -- as a new duplex. (The lot is zoned R2B, but is smaller than the minimum size required to develop a use of greater density than single family, without a variance.)

Oqvkqp The committee moves to amend its existing goals with the following:
 - **Fkvtguugf" Jqwukpi" I qcm<** (1) Encourage ownership turnover at boarded, vacant, distressed, and over financed properties. (2) Attract prospective homeowners who wish to live in the Corcoran neighborhood. (3) Avoid demolition unless rehabilitation would be impractical and cost-prohibitive.

- **Fkvtguugf" Jqwukpi" Uvtcvgikg<** (1) Housing Committee members will identify a manageable number of properties to address. (2) First 'action' will be staff contact with owner via mail & telephone to alert them with resources. (3) (Seek help of Housing Inspections to) assess each property's condition before pursuing city / CNO action. (4) Explore assistance from City Housing Inspections, Council Member, and the U of M / CURA in implementing Goals. (5) Create promotional materials highlighting neighborhood amenities. (6) Using promotional materials, alert prospective homeowners and realtors to available funding and tax credits.

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 Made by Gwen, second by Russ, motion carried unanimously.

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 Planning for the Market at the Mansion fundraiser is in full swing. The event is to be held 26.July at the VanDusen Mansion.

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 Gwen noted that the 3PAC appreciation event for the officers of the 3rd Precinct will be 26.July. This is the community's opportunity to show our men and women in blue that our appreciation for all the work they do in keeping our city safe.

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 Made by Russ, second by Mike, motion carried unanimously.

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Chico Ocana; 2019 E Lake Street #1 (Office); 612-722-4587; chicoASAP@aol.com. *Busca de empleos.*

C o g t k e c u c u " T g c i " G u v c v g
Patricio Zambrano y Jose Nochez; 2019 E Lake Street #8; patricioamericas@gmail.com and joseamericas@gmail.com. *Compra, venta y refinanciamientos de casas.*

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Alberta Smith; 2101 East 35th Street; 612-724-0788. *24 hour child care center.*

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Michael and Dennis Letson; 3447 Cedar Avenue S.; 612-721-1606: www.brothers-electric-co.com: *Electrical troubleshooting, repair and remodeling for residential, light industrial and commercial.*

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1828 E 35th Street; 612-724-4393. *Offering Swedish, deep tissue and Reiki.*

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Catherine Guilavogui; 2019 E Lake Street (Office); 612-729-9844. *Cathy's African Hair Braiding is one of the best in the neighborhood!*

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AJ Turner; 3503 23rd Avenue S.; 612-722-6600. *Barber shop.*

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Karen Glover; 1830 East 35th Street; 612-724-2470. *Ballet studio.*

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3501 20th Avenue S.; 612-728-9909 and 612-728-9935. *General contractors*

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2216 East 34th Street; 612-729-3283. *Tax preparation.*

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Susanna DeLeón and Bruce Nester; 3547 Cedar Avenue S.; 612-822-6269; *Attorney's that specialize in immigration, criminal defense and accidents.*

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Samuel Mulari; 3403 Cedar Avenue S.; 612-729-3223. *Repair on domestic and imported automobiles for a fair price.*

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Scott Reed; 2019 E Lake Street (Office); 651-644-5155. *Tax prep. Service ITTIN information & help, Taxes, Spanish Help Line 612-722-5600.*

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J. Casteñeda; 2019 E Lake Street #3 (Office); 612-721-8555, Fax 612-721-8602. *Aseguranzas de Auto, de Casas, y comerciales.*

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Orlando Cruz; 1855 East Lake Street; 612-728-0434. *Money transfers, money orders, money grams and telephone cards.*

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2005 East Lake Street; 612-721-6448. *Automotive painting.*

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Dave Bicking; 2004 East 35th Street; 612-729-8580. *Auto mechanic.*

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Third Precinct Officers of the Month: QhLegtu" Ocvvjgy "Qnuqp" cpf" Ueqvv" Tc o ufgm" hqt" Lwpg

Officer Matthew Olson and Officer Scott Ramsdell work as partnered officers in an outstanding manner, complimenting each others skills when it comes to proactive police work and narcotic investigations in the 3rd Precinct.

A good example of there work is the officers recognized a problem within the community and decided to take action on their own without any direction from supervisors and before any complaints started to come in from the community. These officers saw a growing livability issue in the area of Lake St. E. and the Hiawatha Avenue corridor. There was an increasing problem with trespassing, consuming

alcohol in public, loitering, drug dealing and panhandling that was causing nuisances for new local businesses close by and the large amount of pedestrian, vehicle and MTC traffic.

Officers Olsen and Ramsdell declared the area a zero tolerance zone and began doing sweeps, issuing tags and booking continuing offending arrestees for all the crimes they could find. They utilized other resources to work on the problem by incorporating the CPS personnel to put up 'No Trespassing' signs and created a list of names for the city attorney to put on a geo-trespass order. For their diligent work for the month of June there has been a significant decrease with the livability crimes in the area. This was done

while they continued to work on narcotics cases that were assigned to them and assisting other team members on their investigations. Both officers are always willing to help and share their knowledge with the team and continue to be proactive in their work on a daily basis.

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I wanted to take a minute to officially thank Matt for his year of service to our community! He has been an extraordinary addition to the CNO team. Matt started working at the market mid-season last year and has made it a better place to be today. He also helped us plan multiple events, kept our office running smoothly, and learned a thing or two in the process. Matt took a grant writing course last fall and wrote his first request on behalf of the Midtown Farmers' Market. We were awarded \$5,000!

For the past three years CNO has relied on the generosity, dedication, and energy of our Lutheran Volunteer Corp (LVC) employees. LVC is a program that connects organizations like ours with people who have committed to a year of service. We pay them a VERY small stipend for their full-time employment. They gain real world experience and we get the opportunity to work with amazing people. Matt fits this bill perfectly. We could not do what we do without our LVC staff.

Matt has been a tremendous asset this year, especially to me while I pursued a Master's degree and only worked at CNO part-time. We have thrown many things at him this year and he has caught them all. Throughout the year, he has been our Entertainment Booker, Office Manager, Grant Writer, Community Organizer, Event Planner, Farmer's Market Coordinator and an all-around fix-it person.

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Sincerely,
Amy Arcand and the CNO staff

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By Todd Sample, Greenway Coalition

Hopefully by now you have been out on a few bike rides to enjoy the summer weather. Maybe you have gone on the Grand Rounds, Minneapolis's unique trail system around the Chain of Lakes and along the Minnehaha Parkway and Mississippi River. Or maybe you have gone out for a spin on the Greenway. Whatever the case, most riders reach a point where they want to set their sights higher and go a longer distance to test their stamina and skills.

Fortunately, the Twin Cities has two great events that can provide a goal for your bicycling. These are the Minneapolis Bike Tour and the Saint Paul Classic Bike Tour. Both take place in September, meaning you have the rest of the summer to get ready. Both are non-competitive bike rides that will take you on some of the Twin Cities' most beautiful roads—free of traffic. Both offer a short course and a long course. And both are fund-raising events that apply your entry fee to good causes: the Minneapolis Bike Tour raises money for The Foundation for Minneapolis Parks; proceeds from the Saint Paul Classic benefit the Neighborhood Energy Connection and its efforts to combat global warming. Both are causes that you can feel good about as you pedal.

Getting ready to go a longer distance requires a small commitment but no extraordinary equipment or sacrifices. In order to go the 41 miles on the long course of the Minneapolis

Bike Tour, for example, you should go on at least three rides per week. Two of these rides should be normal rides that last 30 – 60 minutes: either going out on the road for a quick, early-morning spin or biking to work or taking the kids for a ride on the Greenway.

In addition to these two rides, you should also go for one longer ride per week. If you have been going on 45-minute rides, then your first long ride should be about an hour. Between now and September, increase the length of your long ride by fifteen or twenty minutes each week until you can ride for two and a half hours. Going on this longer ride builds your stamina and gives you the confidence to know that you can handle an extra hour or so on the bike. Going the 41 miles on the Minneapolis Bike Tour should take the average rider about three hours if they are going at a moderate pace.

Once you do a bike tour, you will find that it is fun and addictive. You may want to set your sights on something bigger, like the Register's Annual Great Bike Ride Across Iowa, or RAGBRAI, which takes place in Iowa in the last week of July every year.

- Resources:
- Saint Paul Classic Bike Tour: www.bikeclassic.org/
 - Minneapolis Bike Tour: www.minneapolisbiketour.com/
 - RAGBRAI: www.ragbrai.org/

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By Johnny Jones, Jr. Corcoran Resident

I know you have been asking this question everyday this summer! Should I water my grass and flowers today, and how much water will I need to use? I will try to answer that question to the best of my ability.

I feel that your perennials are the most important plants in your yard, they need an inch of water a week. If they go through a long dry period, they will be damaged for the life of that plant and they will be less productive for their life span. Take care of that plant with an inch a week. The result will be larger and healthier plants that will produce larger flowers.

When it comes to your lawn, I think you need to take a different approach. I feel that, unless you are consistent watering you lawn, you will create a problem with the root system. When we talk about being consistent, that means you need to water deep and slow. If you water shallow and quick you will encourage the grass roots to grow near the surface of your lawn thus exposing the roots to the hot sun, which may kill your lawn. So be consistent with deep and slow watering, This encourages the grass roots to reach down into the soil, thus, less exposure to the sun. If you water quick and shallow, I suggest you don't water at all because you may do more harm to your lawn in the long term. If you take the no water option, your lawn will be brown for periods of time. It is brown because the grass is taking a nap. It will green up quickly when you get a good rain. It will be your choice; you will need to be consistent with watering. If you decide to water, do it deep and slow.

My final statement about watering is to be consistent and water deep!

Johnny Jones, Jr. has a home-base business selling bedding plants. Reach at plantmaster345@aol.com or 612-724-4817

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