Meet Monica Haas
SHA’S NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
By Catherine Barnett Wilson

Summit Hill Association’s new Executive Director, Monica Haas, sees our Summit Hill neighborhood as a wonderful, welcoming community that has a wealth of resources. Monica and her husband, Christopher, fell in love with the Summit Hill neighborhood when they had their wedding reception at Summit Manor about a dozen years ago.

They thought they wouldn’t be able to afford a home in this area, but found one on St. Clair Avenue that needed some TLC. They have been remodeling it over the years, as they have been raising their growing family (they now have four daughters).

Monica has significant expertise in operations, management, event planning, community organizing, finance, and human resources – all of which will serve her well in her new role with Summit Hill Association. She gained this through her work as an education advocate, president of several Parent Teacher Organizations at St. Paul schools, Director of Operations for a St. Paul franchise of numerous Jimmy John’s restaurants, and other volunteer and work experience.

Monica hopes to use her expertise to help SHA achieve the following:
• Better utilization of the Summit Hill neighborhood’s wealth of resources;
• Increased communication with SHA members, assuring that SHA members are aware of all that SHA has to offer them; and
• Facilitate sharing of best practices among SHA members, so we can build the most successful Summit Hill neighborhood possible.

Monica will continue to advance the work and build on relationships established by former Executive Director Nelima Sitati, who left SHA in January 2017, to pursue another venture.

Please feel free to stop by the SHA Office and meet Monica.

Catherine Barnett Wilson is a member of the all-volunteer SHA Board of Directors. She lives on Lexington Parkway.

Emerald Ash Borer Ribbons
Come to Summit Hill
Banded trees along Grand and Summit currently are not visibly infested; but all will have to be removed – eventually
By Sonja Mason

Have you noticed the green “EMERALD ASH BORER KILLS” ribbons on trees up and down Grand and Summit Avenues? Those bands are part of an outreach effort to raise awareness about the Emerald Ash Borer (EAB), to help residents to recognize ash trees, and encourage residents to visit the City’s website to learn about EAB (www.stpaul.gov/eab).

The good news is that the banded trees along Grand and Summit currently are not visibly infested and won’t come down soon; in fact, there are no ash removals scheduled in all of District 16 for 2017. The sad news, however, is that 18% of the boulevard trees in Summit Hill are ash trees, and all will have to be removed eventually.

What is the City doing to combat EAB? The City launched an EAB management program in 2010, which began with the “structured removal” of declining and/or damaged trees.

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Your One-Stop Shop for neighborhood info and referral-friendly SHA staff are here to help!

Monica Haas
SHA Executive Director

Theresa Nix
Community Organizer, Crime Prevention Coordinator

How to contact the Summit Hill Association
Please note our new email addresses, effective March 1, 2017:
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organizer@summithillassociation.org
General SHA office via email: info@summithillassociation.org
Our phone number remains the same, at 651-222-1222.

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Friday, Jan. 13, 2017 marked the last time that Eureka’s big green trucks rolled down the streets of Summit Hill, emptying the curbside blue bins that have been the symbol of St Paul’s recycling program for decades.

On Tuesday, Jan.17, 2017, the new, slightly smaller, green Eureka trucks rolled throughout Summit Hill, complete with a giant hydraulic arm to hoist up the new, wheeled carts. The mechanical arm is important, as the economic viability of the contract between Eureka and the City of St Paul relies on automated cart pickup.

Branded as “Ready Set Roll,” this new program marks the biggest change to St Paul’s citywide recycling program since it began more than three decades ago.

Changes, at a glance:
• New Summit Hill recycling day: Tuesday
• New, lidded wheeled carts
• Pick up from the alley
• The twin goals of the switch from curbside bins to alley-side wheeled carts are to increase and improve recycling for St Paul residents. In its first month, the program goal to increase recycling showed signs of success. According to eurekarecycling.org, the volume of recycling was up 20 percent, compared to the same time period last year.

Recycling Tips
• Place your cart out along the edge of the alley or curb, by 7a.m. the day of your pick up (Tuesdays, for Summit Hill).
• Leave about 2 feet of space around the cart for the grabber arm to fit around without damaging nearby objects or knocking over containers over.
• Have the cart lid opening facing the street/alley with the handles facing the property.
• Keep the area around your cart free of snow, ice and other debris.
• If you see a tag on the cart, that is a friendly reminder about how to recycle properly.

However, the second goal to make recycling easier for residents has had mixed results. For those living in single-family homes with typical, flat alleys, the change has been generally smooth and well received.

For properties with challenges, however, the transition has been less smooth. During the first week, Eureka received 2,700 complaints. Ice and snow caused missed pickups, as did confusion about the new system, but there were also problems related to the automated pick up.

For some properties, getting wheeled carts properly placed for automatic pick up is impractical or impossible. A particular challenge has been small multifamily apartments and condominiums, defined by Eureka as 511 units.

These properties require multiple carts, but are less likely to have the space to store them. Unlike larger multifamily properties, small apartments and condos are expected to follow the same guidelines as single-family homes and duplexes.

Eureka is aware of the problems, and has been working on solutions. In the fourth week of the program, complaints were down below 900.

Need help recycling?
While SHA is not connected with management of the citywide recycling program, here’s who can help:
• Didn’t get a wheeled cart? Contact Eureka at 612-669-2783 or info@eurekarecycling.org
• Have a challenging situation! Want to change from alley to street collection, or vice versa? Need assisted pick up? Contact Eureka at 612-669-2783 or info@eurekarecycling.org
• Need to get rid of your old blue bin? Drop off old blue bins at the Palace Community Center, located at 781 Palace Ave.

Additionl details, as they become available, will be posted on the SHA website (www.summithillassociation.org). If you’re interested in volunteering for any stage of the race, sign up at www.northstargrandprix.com.
Retirement is not slowing Summit Hill neighbor Mary Pickard down, not does she want it to. A lifelong volunteer with a career in philanthropy, the last few years of retirement have gifted Mary the freedom to choose work that brings her joy. While she received her training as a journalist, Mary went on to enjoy careers both at the Travelers Foundation and the GHR Foundation. Recently retired, she is as busy as ever working to better the community we all call home.

Mary started volunteering in the 9th grade. She said, “Across the street from the high school was a day activities center for mentally challenged adults. It was one of the first activity centers in the country that was opened as a result of desinstitutionalization.”

The Presbyterian church, across the street from Mary’s high school, set up the program to care for these newly displaced adults. Mary spent summers throughout high school here, volunteering from 9am to 3pm. The experience allowed her to see both the direct care and policy side of this sort of work and the benefit that learning about the different care organizations in your neighborhood can bring.

Mary continued to volunteer in different capacities over the course of her 45-year working career. One such project included hosting different amities, a Saint Paul Public School program that brought teachers here from different countries.

She also served on different boards and committees for organizations like United Way, the Chamber of Commerce, COMPASS and the YWCA. She was a founder of PAS and the YWCA. She was a founder of Unity Church, now is as a sounding board for Bolivians. “Most of my volunteer work with nonprofits, an organization providing technical assistance to nonprofit groups. Volunteer experience she did through Unity Church. Unitarian has taken her around the world.

Mary has been to Bolivia to work with an organization called “Mambo a Mar.” that works to improve economic wellbeing for Bolivians. “Most of my volunteer work with (Unity Church) now is as a sounding board while they work to fashion things for foundation review.” My 45 years in philanthropy has given me a perspective about that work that is helpful to them.”

Although the last few years have gifted Mary the ability to focus on the volunteer work that she loves the most, they have not been without some hard work. Mary currently serves on the board of the Collegesville Institution, a position she has held since 2012. One job for the Collegesville Institute involved selecting applicants for a writing program that explores the intersection of faith and community. The process was daunting. “I finished going through a group of applications . . . it took hours. They were 20-page applications.” Mary read 26 of these applications with another team member, selecting 13, then further reviewing to narrow down to their final selections. Her prior experience serving on other committees has allowed her to help set up a governance structure to allow the Institute to have success further down the road.

Volunteering is most enjoyable when it is “where I get to learn. I’m a lifelong learner, and I learn better from people and experiences than I do from books quite frankly. I’ve never been a very good student,” Mary says with a chuckle. Experiences involving purposeful, community oriented travel, what Mary calls a “pilgrimage,” are some of these opportunities that she has learned from.

In addition to the Bolivia trip she has been on an interfaith Palestine-Israel trip and down to Selma, Ala., for the 50th anniversary of the Voting Rights Act. “If you can actually go them, you have a different understanding and can hear people who are affected by the incidents.”

It’s this act of community building where Mary says she focused her efforts in philanthropy and in her retirement. She works with organizations that bridge racial or religious barriers to build stronger communities. “Working for a foundation, you have the opportunity to see the incredible courage and energy that people have to build their communities. My goal was always to bring attention to and support the efforts that most that other people didn’t see, but were critical to creating a just and loving community.” It’s here where Mary’s passion and dedication becomes visible. The energy she speaks about is what fuels a democracy she says. “Citizen engagement is critical to a democracy, I’d like to be a part of that.”

The work Mary has done over her lifetime has contributed greatly to both the Summit Hill neighborhood and Twin Cities as a whole and we are far better off for it. Her purposeful service is a shining example of how giving back to our communities can not only be a benefit for those who live there, but also be a rewarding experience for volunteers. While we hope her retirement continues to bring her freedom and joy, we are very thankful for her ongoing service.

Henry Moyer is a member of the all-volunteer SHA Board of Directors. He lives on Grand Avenue.

GABA & Neighbors Launch Grand Old Day ‘Task Force’

Work group creates proactive plan for addressing noise, trash, other issues

When the SHA board voted to support the Grand Avenue Business Association’s request for extended hours at three Grand Old Day 2017 festival gardens, two conditions were included: increased security in surrounding alleys; and establishment of a joint task force to address noise, trash and other issues.

As planning continues for the 41st annual event on June 4 – it’s back to a one-day celebration after a two-day experiment in 2016 – a task force of GABA members and Summit Hill neighbors is working to proactively address things that happen when 300,000 guests, some of whom celebrate to excess, visit at the same time.

GABA Executive Director Connie DeLaup, who made the request to the SHA board on Feb. 9, 2017, for extended hours in three locations, said she expects the task force to be able consider the needs of everyone involved.

While the majority of Grand Old Day events will close at 5 p.m., as in previous years, the festival gardens at Billy’s on Grand, Date’s and Wild Onions will close at 7 p.m. on June 4. The request was made in response to a decline in Grand Old Day revenue in recent years. The one-day event accounts for about 85% of GABA’s annual revenue.

At press time, neither task force membership nor a meeting schedule had been established. But look for updated information on the SHA website (www.summithillasociation.org) or the GABA website (www.grandavenue.com).

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**Neighborhood Events**

**VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT**

For Summit Hill resident Mary Pickard, community building has been a lifelong love.

By Henry Moyer

Mary Pickard said an interfaith Palestine-Israel trip is among experiences during which she has been able to have a different understanding of incidents affecting people in other communities. Photo courtesy of Mary Pickard.

Mary Pickard is a member of the all-volunteer SHA Board of Directors. He lives on Grand Avenue.

**2017 SHA CALENDAR MEETINGS & EVENTS**

Meetings are held in the Linwood Community Center, 860 St. Clair Avenue unless noted otherwise. Dates and time may change.

- **Board of Directors** - second Thurs, 7 p.m.
- **Executive Committee** - last Thurs, 7 p.m.
- **Communications/Outreach Committee** - 3rd Tuesday, 7 p.m.

For the following Committees, please call for meeting time/location:

- **Development Committee** - as needed
- **Programs Committee** - as needed
- **Zoning and Land Use Committee** - as needed.

**Recycling: Every Tuesday**

(note new date!), must be out by 7 a.m.

**APRIL**

1 Summit Newsletter arrives

4 Environment Committee

13 Monthly Neighborhood Meeting - Board Meeting

18 Communications & Outreach Committee

27 Executive Committee

**MAY**

2 Environment Committee

4 Progressive Supper

6 Spring Plant and Garage Sale

11 Monthly Neighborhood Mtg - Board

16 Communications Committee

25 Executive Committee

**JUNE**

1 Summit Newsletter Arrives

4 Grand Old Day

6 Environment Committee

8 Monthly Neighborhood Mtg - Board

10 SHA Plant Exchange

16 Communications Committee

29 Executive Committee

**More Grand Old Day details on Page 7**
In my first 100 days on the job, we as an organization have been busy. The Summit Hill Association (SHA) board of directors recently held a board retreat to set our vision for 2017. Our board and staff are dedicated, caring people who work hard at cultivating neighborhood partnerships and opportunities. But for all those positives, we have struggled with what has become a contentious issue - our review of the proposed Linwood Monroe Arts Plus lower school expansion project.

In the spring of 2016, SHA was tasked by the City to review the project in the context of historic preservation and whether St. Paul Public Schools (SPPS) satisfied the elements necessary for the variances it is seeking. Since then, this issue has clearly become about so much more than historic facade scale, mass and setbacks to stakeholders who live outside of the district we serve.

It is an unfortunate turn of events that led us to this current point. As a District Council, we should not be in the position of being arbiters of equity interests around public projects. Instead, we should be valued partners in finding the best solution for all parties.

Although we can all agree that some improvements have been made to the current plan since last spring, opportunities for meaningful engagement with the neighborhood and our District Council were offered too late in the review process. As a result, opportunities for creative thinking and “win/wins” were left off the table. That was a sad result.

Moreover, some questions we as a board raised have caused us to be viewed as critical outsiders, instead of partners in the neighborhood improvement projects, a calendar of events and The Summit newsletter. Links connect you to the City of St. Paul, the Grand Avenue Business Association and other sites of interest to Summit Hill residents.

If you have suggestions about how we can improve the web site or about any other neighborhood concerns, go to the “Contact SHA” link on the home page and give us your thoughts!

President’s Report
Mandated role of District Councils in such projects as Linwood Monroe expansion is specific, limited, and unfortunately … misunderstood
By Andrew Rorvig

Planned for expansion of the Linwood Monroe Arts Plus campus have generated a range of passionate responses. Photos by Patricia McMorrow, 2017

"All Are Welcome" at the Osceola Avenue entrance of Linwood Monroe Arts Plus. Except, maybe, for little dogs waiting for school to get out.

The SHA Website: A Good Source for Neighborhood Information
Established in June 2004, the Summit Hill Association Web site at www.summithillassociation.org has grown in its ability to keep you up to date on neighborhood and city resources, Summit Hill events and opportunities for you to participate in the health and vitality of your community. Check us out and bookmark the address for future reference!

In addition, we encourage residents to subscribe to the Electronic Newsletter on the home page that provides up-to-date announcements of late-breaking events, public meetings and issues.

Among other things, the SHA web site has links and resource information about crime prevention, senior services, recycling, neighborhood improvement projects, a calendar of events and the Summit newsletter. Links connect you to the City of St. Paul, the Grand Avenue Business Association and other sites of interest to Summit Hill residents.

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Check out the SHA web site for current info: www.summithillassociation.org
Emerald Ash Borer

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as well as the strategic use of insecticide on ash trees that meet forestry criteria for treatment. The ribbon approach we’re now seeing coincides with a switch in the focus of the City’s management program from removing declining and/or damaged trees to removal of EAB infested trees. City officials say the infested area now covers more than 97 percent of St. Paul. The Forestry department’s management efforts have succeeded in slowing the population growth of EAB, allowing more time to manage the urban tree canopy. The overall focus of the EAB plan and the Forestry department is to keep our urban forest -- which covers 32.5% of the total land area of St. Paul -- healthy, diverse, and green.

What can I do to help?

City Foresters suggest that residents should focus on diversifying tree species on private property, staying away from maples, which are overplanted--around 40% of boulevard trees in Summit Hill are maples. Maple trees are also more susceptible than other tree species to yet another invasive species, the Asian Long Horned Beetle. (ALB is not in Minnesota, but our state is classified as a “suitable habitat” for the pest by the USDA.)

Undesirable tree species include Kentucky coffeetree, serviceberry, tamarack, or other conifer/evergreen trees that aren’t suitable for City boulevards. City Forestry provided a link to University of Minnesota Extension planting recommendations, it’s included below.

What if I have an ash tree in my yard?
The City Forestry Department’s management plan only covers “street trees” on the boulevards and in parks and other City property. If you have an ash tree on your property, you should contact a licensed tree care company. Some high value trees can be treated with insecticide, but please know that this treatment will have to be repeated every 2 years.

Most ash trees will have to be removed and replaced. Homeowners can also have boulevard trees treated at their own expense, with a permit. According to a 2013 article in the Star Tribune, it can cost around $250 for treatment, and between $700-$1,000 to remove an ash tree.

When I was a kid, there were wide canopies of elm trees throughout my neighborhood and all of St. Paul. I remember seeing the burntumber bands painted around their wide gnarled trunks, and then the trucks coming to remove the gigantic trees. Sum- mit lost dozens, if not hundreds, and I lost the tree right in front of my house, the one I could see from my bedroom window.

The City eventually replaced it with a sapling, and by then I was old enough that I took interest in it. I read the instructions that had been hung on our front door explaining how to care for it. I dutifully dragged the hose out from the spigot on the side of house, and attached a longer length of hose to reach all the way to the sapling. I put the water on a slow trickle, as the instructions stated. I felt like it was my tree, and I wanted to help it grow. I don’t live in that house anymore, but the tree is still there. But not for too much longer—it is a Marshall Ash tree.

Sonja Mason is a member of the allvolunteer SHA Board of Directors. She lives on St. Albans Street.

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Useful Links

• City of St Paul website, Forestry’s Page on EAB: www.stpaul.gov/eb
• U of MN’s Extension, Recommended trees: http://www.extension.umn.edu/garden/yard/garden/trees/shrubs/recommended-trees-for-minnesota/southeast/
• City of St Paul website, Boulevard Tree Permit: www.stpaul.gov/forestry


We’re saving you a seat by the pool.

Here are a few reasons to check out the University Club.

• Recently remodeled fitness center
• Patio dining and full-service bar
• Outdoor pool and playground
• Reciprocity options to Saint Paul Athletic Club

651-222-1751
UniversityClubofStPaul.com

Check out the SHA web site for current info: www.summithillasociation.org

Guest Columnist

Ward 2 Council Member Rebecca Noecker shares her vision for Summit Hill today, and tomorrow.

Thank you for the opportunity to write a regular column in these pages. My top priority is to be accessible to you and to be responsive to your concerns.

The Summit Hill Association board asked me to address three topics in this first column.

Vision for the Summit Hill Neighborhood: Summit Hill is an extraordinary neighborhood—walkable and dense, with locally-owned businesses just steps away from residences. Historic homes lend the neighborhood a distinct character, steeped in tradition, while new families and young people moving into the neighborhood create a sense of energy and forward motion. Most importantly, neighbors care deeply for their neighborhood and actively promote its welfare, advocating for historic preservation, local businesses and walkable streets.

My vision is that Summit Hill continues to develop these remarkable assets. I want to see more independent, locally-owned businesses flourishing. I want kids in all areas of the neighborhood to feel safe walking to school or the park. I want people of all ages to be able to navigate its streets and sidewalks in all types of weather. And I want even more community members from all backgrounds and income levels to become advocates for their neighborhood and to feel comfortable navigating the public processes that allow them to do so.

Commitment to Preservation and Stewardship:

One of the many reasons why I love living in St Paul is that the city has carefully preserved its history. I believe it’s imperative that as we grow, we continue to do all we can to preserve the sites and buildings that tell the unique story of our city. In the Summit Hill neighborhood, critical work is underway that will help us preserve important historic sites for future generations. Much of Summit Hill falls within the National and State Hill Historic District, and the Hill Survey that is in progress will evaluate each property to determine whether it is “contributing” to the historic significance of the area. This will eliminate much of the guesswork and expense for residents as they make decisions about their property.

I plan to continue working with our Heritage Preservation Commission staff to ensure that this survey moves ahead with all possible speed.

Easing the Property Tax Burden: Property taxes are a serious burden for St. Paul residents, and I’m committed to doing everything I can to keep taxes to a minimum. As a city, we struggle every year to find the additional $10 million that we need just to keep pace with inflation, let alone to find the funds to provide additional services. With state and federal aid to cities on the decline, finding sources of revenue apart from property taxes is difficult.

One solution is to expand our tax base by accommodating more residents and businesses, reducing the amount of property taxes each of us pays. Because we’re already a fully-built city, this means adding density in our existing neighborhoods. Density is sometimes seen as a dirty word, but when done right, dense neighborhoods can be more of everything we want our neighborhoods to be—vibrant, walkable and safe. We also need to make it easier for businesses to get the permits and licenses they need to open and expand, which is the goal of the “Open for Business” initiative that my colleagues and I launched last summer.

Please get in touch to discuss these issues or any other topic. I look forward to continuing the conversation.

Rebecca Noecker is the council member for Ward 2 in St Paul. You can reach her with your thoughts on this column or on any topic at Rebecca.Noeker@stpaulmn.us or at 651.266.8622.

SHA will provide regular updates on Council Member Noecker’s voting, related to issues affecting the neighborhood. Check the website at www.summithillasociation.org for the latest update.

The ‘Hill Area

Guest Columnist

Ward 2 Council Member Rebecca Noecker shares her vision for Summit Hill today, and tomorrow.
Linwood Rec Center News
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BUILDING HOURS:
Monday 7 a.m. – 9 p.m.
Tuesday 6 a.m. – 9 p.m.
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Friday 7 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Saturday 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

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- Sundays from 9:30-11:45 a.m. Fee: $75 for 2 months. Sessions: Ongoing for ages 6+

Ongoing Classes for returning Stu-dents:
- Tue. 4:30-5:30 p.m.
- Sat. 9:45-10:45 a.m.
- Fee: $45/month or $105/3 months

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The Summit Hill Association’s Spring Neighborhood-wide Garage Sale is Saturday, May 6th from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. Treasure hunters and recyclers will have a blast! The sale features a variety of items and goods. The Summit Hill Association, Linwood Community Center, 860 St. Clair Ave, St. Paul, MN 55105.

To participate, complete the form below and send it with your check to the SHA office by Friday, April 21, 2017. Note: Your email address is needed for you to confirm your registration. Don’t have email? Contact SHA.

PARTICIPANT INSTRUCTIONS
Plan to pick up your supply of flyers and posters at the SHA office after 12 NOON on Thursday, May 4, 2017. Official SHA Ga- rage Sale navigation maps - that lists the locations of sales, highlighting sales' items and multi-family sales - will be available online at www.summithillassociation.org, and at the information table outside the SHA office in the Linwood Community Center starting May 4th - as supplies last.

Sales participants are asked to make SHA Garage Sale Site flyers prominently available to help promote all the SHA sales. For more information about the garage sale and/or neighborhood cleanup, call SHA at 651-222-1222. Again, to be included on the list of sales, you must return the bottom portion of this page with your $20 check by Friday, April 21, 2017. Please make your check payable to the Summit Hill Association (SHA).

"Arrange for a curbside pickup of items you wish to donate by calling the Salvation Army at 612-332-3555. Pickups should be sched- uled one week in advance of your sale."

SHA Garage Sale Participation Form
Return this form with $20 check by Friday, April 21nd to Summit Hill Association, Linwood Community Center, 860 St. Clair Avenue, St. Paul, MN 55105

Name ____________________________
Email ____________________________
(Needed to confirm registration; call 651-222-1222, if you don’t have email)
Phone ____________________________
Multi-Family Sale? ____________
Address of Sale ____________________________
Sale Site: Rear Garage,_______ Front Yard.

Address of Sale __________________________________________________________

Email ___________________________________________________________

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- baby clothes & items
- garden/yard equip.
- furniture (types )
- TOYS
- antiques
- women's clothing
- collectibles (types )
- men's clothing
- household misc.
- ELECTRONICS

Contact SHA at 651-222-1222 or email: summitt muchos@summithillassociation.org with any questions. Thank you for your support.

Visit the SHA website at www.summithillassociation.org for more information on this and other sales.

The Summit Hill Association’s Spring Neighborhood-wide Garage Sale is Saturday, May 6th from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. Treasure hunter and recycle locally! Buying “used” saves money and helps the environment by recycling goods. Consider having a garage sale as you clean out your attic, basement or garage this spring. We must have 20 participants in order to hold this neighborhood-wide sale. Further info is on the SHA website at www.summithillassociation.org.

GARAGE SALE PARTICIPATION FEE
The sale participation fee continues to be $20/sales location. You coordinate and staff your own garage sale and retain all proceeds. Consider joining together with neighbors and/or make it a SHA Crime Prevention Block or Building Club social event.

Participating households will receive advance copies of the Sale Site Listings flyer, two bright yellow “Summit Hill Garage Sale” posters and metro-wide advertising in the Pioneer Press, the Minneapolis Star & Tribune and the Villager newspapers and on the SHA website at summithillassociation.org. The very popular SHA Garage Sales flyers with sales “navigation” map will be available to the community at each sale site, at the Linwood Community Center and online on the SHA website.

To participate, complete the form below and send it with your check to the SHA office by Friday, April 21, 2017. Contact SHA.
Mark your calendars for May 6—the next Summit Hill Progressive Supper

By Theresa Nix

Neighbors are talking about using the "X" plan to help their teens navigate social situations in Summit Hill. Teens often get bullied after asking parents for help in navigating the temptations of drinking, drug use or nuisance crimes.

Next time your teen gets cornered in the inevitable social jam, ask them to simply text you with an "X." This symbol communicates a need for you to call them immediately and say, "something has happened - I need to pick you up, ready in 5 minutes."

This response allows your teen to get out of the situation for a socially acceptable reason. If there’s anything more universal to teenagers than peer pressure, it’s a desire to avoid social “shame.”

Using this plan can help reduce nuisance crimes in the neighborhood. For example, SHA Staff recently received a call that two houses were egged in the neighborhood, likely by a group of youth under the influence of peer pressure. We encourage you to discuss this in your block clubs and share this with youth in your life. It just might make a difference on a day when you least expect it.

To subscribe to the Crime Prevention email list, visit www.summithillassociation.org.

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Summit Hill Welcomes Senior Commander Anderson

Steve Anderson, a member of the St. Paul Police Department since 1980, now serves as Senior Commander for the Western District, which includes Summit Hill.

Senior Commander Anderson has been a police officer for almost 27 years, and has worked in all three districts of the city and on all three shifts. More than one-third of his law enforcement career has been spent in the Western District.

Senior Commander Anderson’s previous assignments have included police officer, patrol sergeant, communication center sergeant, FORC unit sergeant, narcotics/vice response team, investigative sergeant, patrol commander, SWAT commander and SWAT sergeant.

Steve was born in the Midway area of St. Paul and graduated from Cretin High School.

Whether you’re looking for the best summer parade in Minnesota (complete with candy, of course!), Minnesota outdoor music festivals, some of the best fair foods Minnesota has to offer, or just some good old family fun in the sun, St. Paul’s Grand Old Day is the place to go! The 2.1/2 Miles of Grand Avenue is divided into 4 unique “Districts” which will have something for all ages and interests.

This District will showcase the arts & culture of Summit Hill, including the Des Moines, the Artistic, the Cultural and the Sports & Wellness Districts.

Minnesota’s First Summer Parade
Enjoy the Grand Old Day Parade, which starts at 9:30 am at Dale Street, and marches (and rolls...and dances) down Grand Avenue - all the way to Fairview Avenue! You’ll see fire trucks, local celebrities, area “royalty,” marching bands, gymnasts and dancers, and (of course) candy!

Entertainment District
Listening to live music at our six unique Festival Gardens is a great way to ring in the summer in the Twin Cities! Dozens of the Twin Cities’ favorite bands perform throughout the afternoon.

Sports & Wellness District
Guests of all ages take part in interactive games and fun from area sports teams and organizations. Shoot baskets, take a photo op with a team mascot or learn more about our local teams.

Food Vendors
Over 150 food vendors will host booths along Grand Avenue, featuring incredible array of the most delectable delights, including the best fair foods Minnesota has to offer!

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