

# BRIDGES

Northside-Hester Park Neighborhood  
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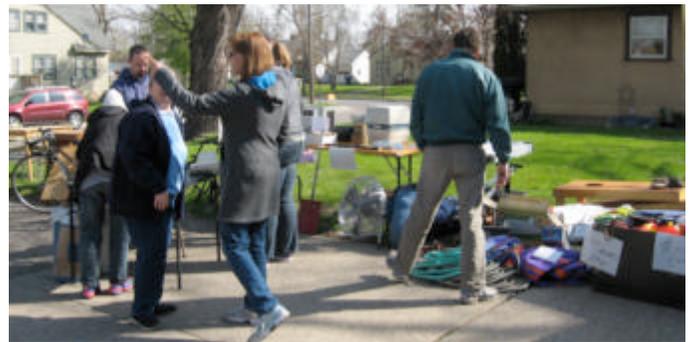


[www.HesterPark.org](http://www.HesterPark.org)

## Garage Sale & Social: May 14

The annual neighborhood-benefit garage sale will be on Saturday, May 14. It's open to the public from 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM at 729 Sixth Avenue North.

All merchandise is donated. All proceeds benefit the Northside-Hester Park Neighborhood.



### Garage Sale Donation Suggestions

Kitchenware  
Sporting Goods  
Furniture  
Clothing  
Tools  
Games & Toys  
Office Supplies

Donations will be accepted the week prior at 729 Sixth Avenue North. To arrange a drop-off, call Susie Lies at 251-5194.

The event is more than a sale, it's a neighborhood social. Meet some neighbors and enjoy a tasty treat for a small donation.

## Upcoming Events

Cathedral's Chalk Artwork Creation In Progress  
Dates: May 10-11  
Location: 600 block of Third Street North

Garage Sale & Social  
Date: Saturday, May 14  
Time: 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM  
Location: 729 Sixth Avenue North

KNSI “Know Your Neighbor” Social  
Date: Thursday, May 19  
Time: 5:00 – 7:00 PM  
Location: Hester Park

Ice Cream Social & Monthly Meeting  
Date: Thursday, June 2  
Time: 6:30 meeting, 7:00 social  
Location: near Hester Park's pool

Independence Day Fundraiser  
Date: Monday, July 4  
Time: 5:00 – 10:00 PM  
Location: Hester Park

Monthly Steering Committee Meeting  
Date: Thursday, July 7  
Time: 6:30 PM  
Location: Cathedral H.S., door #1

Monthly Steering Committee Meeting  
Date: Thursday, August 4  
Time: 6:30 PM  
Location: Cathedral H.S., door #1

Monthly Steering Committee Meeting  
Date: Thursday, September 1  
Time: 6:30 PM  
Location: Cathedral H.S., door #1

## More Events to be Announced

Desire to receive email notices about neighborhood events? Sign-up online. [www.HesterPark.org](http://www.HesterPark.org)

Have Facebook? Hester Park is also there.

## “Neighbor Proud” Nominations

By Steve Lanz, Seventh Avenue

Once again the Northside-Hester Park Neighborhood steering committee will recognize residents throughout the summer who are putting special efforts into the upkeep of their homes.

To nominate a home, please come to the steering committee's monthly meeting, contact someone on the committee or nominate online at [www.HesterPark.org](http://www.HesterPark.org). The recognition includes a yard sign for a month plus a \$25 check.

## Volunteers Wanted on July 4

This neighborhood annually sells concessions within Hester Park on Independence Day.

Volunteers are wanted for one or two hour shifts from 5:00 to 10:00 PM. Merchandise includes water, malt cups, and glow sticks.

To volunteer, call Steve Lanz at 253-1840.

Proceeds benefit the Northside-Hester Park Neighborhood. Concessions is a primary fundraiser that supports neighborhood social events and communications such as this newsletter. Funding in the past has paid for new lighting in Hester Park and an extended pool season.

## Write for “Bridges” Newsletter

By Steve Lanz, Seventh Avenue

There is always a lot going on in this neighborhood. This newsletter should be interesting and informative. Any past or present neighborhood residents are invited to submit pictures, poems or articles for this publication. Share entries regarding the people, places and things that make this neighborhood a vibrant and progressive place to live. If interested, contact any steering committee member or attend our monthly meeting.

# City's 2015 Comprehensive Plan Approved

By David Mohs, Seventh Avenue

Both the Saint Cloud Planning Commission and the Saint Cloud City Council approved the city's new comprehensive plan, which is designed to guide the city for the next 15 to 20 years.

## Future Land Use Designated

A zoning (aka land use) survey was conducted in the southern third of this neighborhood in 2013. Responding land owners requested that 84% of parcels be rezoned as R1 (aka single-family housing). This matches the existing single-family homes. However, it contradicts the current zoning designation of R5 (aka apartments).

The newly approved comprehensive plan calls for most existing homes in the southern third of this neighborhood to remain low-density housing, largely matching the results of the 2013 survey. The Northside-Hester Park Neighborhood is not alone in this change. The plan recommends strengthening single-family neighborhoods throughout the city.

However, as the title indicates, the comprehensive plan is only a plan. Officially changing city zoning would require neighborhood, city planning commission, and city council action in the future.

## Additional Neighborhood Impacts

In addition to future land use, the 2015 plan impacts the Northside-Hester Park Neighborhood as follows:

- It suggests condominiums and apartments in the 200 block of Fifth Avenue North be replaced with a new five- or six-story multi-family building, accommodating 70-86 units with underground parking. A river overlook and green space is also mentioned.
- It recommends widening Ninth Avenue North from Ninth Street to Fifteenth Street. However, the plan also acknowledges this is a fiscally constrained project.
- Northerly expansion of the hospital between Sixth Avenue North and the Mississippi River is encouraged.

View the entire 163-page plan online at:  
<http://ci.stcloud.mn.us/1015/Comprehensive-Plan>

## HOME LOANS AVAILABLE

- **Homestead Incentive Program** – \$3,000 in down payment assistance.
- **Home Repair Loans** – accessibility issues, roof, siding, windows, furnace and other health, safety and weatherization issues. Up to \$27,000 available!

Loans are interest-free  
with no monthly  
payments.



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## Artists Transform Third Street

By Jake Andersen, Cathedral Student  
By Thomas Hawkins, Cathedral Student

As a long standing tradition, Cathedral High School's Art Club, led by Tony Keller and Dan Nelson, will be doing a sidewalk chalk project on May 10th and 11th. In years past, students have individually designed and created chalk art, but the CHS Art Club has different plans this year. Instead of creating individual unrelated projects, all of art club will be participating in a massive full-street chalk artwork. It will span from sidewalk to sidewalk and nearly corner to corner and be comprised of our solar system.

Included will be all the planets (yes, Pluto too), the sun, an asteroid belt, and numerous other space-themed additions. Aliens, rovers, mythological references, and even floating astronaut cats will grace the spaces between planets. The entire process will also be recorded in a time lapse from multiple



angles, and the final video will be available to view shortly after the work's completion.

Because of the massive nature of this project, Third Street between the Cathedral buildings will be closed on the 10th and 11th, weather permitting. If you get a chance to stop by, be sure to do so, as Minnesota's rainy spring weather will ensure that this work of sidewalk art will be short-lived.