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**MILL CITY COMMONS**

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## MILL CITY MUSINGS

### **Tonight: Last Tuesday Happy Hour hosted by MCC Staff!**

Join Emily Hutchinson and Leah Battin at one of their favorite neighborhood happy hours! The Bulldog (401 E Hennepin Ave) has great food and drink specials and great cupcakes for those of you with a sweet tooth! Stop by and cool off between 5 and 6 pm!

### **MCC Men's Coffee and Conversation kicks off this Thursday!**

Washburn Lofts Community Room, 700 South 2nd St. 7:30 - 8:30 am.  
The launch of the MCC Men's Coffee and Conversation Group will feature University of Minnesota Athletic Director Joel Maturi, who will discuss all things Gopher! Enjoy a continental breakfast and discussion! MCC men only. [Click here](#) to register.

**Don't miss the Mill City Commons  
Hootenanniversary on June 10th! RSVP by [clicking here](#) !**

### **All MCC all the time!**

### **No Auditions Necessary: Rock'n Roll Sing-Along! June 1, 6:30 – 8 pm. MacPhail Center for Music, 501 South 2nd St.**

Don't be shy - clear those throats and join your friends and neighbors for a raucous rock'n roll sing-along led by MacPhail's Vicky Mountain and a little wine and cheese. Everyone is welcome, so don't miss this chance to unleash your inner rock star! Cost is \$10/person (payable at the door). [Click here](#) to RSVP!

### **Guthrie Play Reading — *Dollhouse*. Wednesday, June 2, 6:30 – 9:30 pm. Guthrie Theater, 818 South 2nd St. 8th Floor, Livingston Conference Room.**

Play readings are hosted by a member of the Guthrie Staff or an Artist affiliated with the play. Participants will be assigned parts for reading and may rotate parts as necessary. All selections correspond with plays being staged at the Guthrie. No theater experience necessary, come one and all! From Henrik Ibsen's groundbreaking masterpiece *A Doll's House*, playwright Rebecca Gilman crafts a clever and insightful update that brings its timeless issues into our century with a sharp eye for social satire and moments of deliciously dark comedy coupled with taut and powerful human drama. Performance on The Guthrie's McGuire Proscenium Stage: May 22- July 11, 2010. The play reading is free for MCC members and \$10 for guests (cash or check payable to Mill City Commons). [Register here!](#)

### **Member Shout Out**

**CONGRATULATIONS to MCC member Pat Sharma, who was recently featured as one of Minneapolis/St. Paul Business Journal's Women to Watch. View the article [here](#)!**

### **MCClassifieds**

MCC board member Leslie Van Duzer is leaving Minneapolis July 8th to assume a new position at the University of British Columbia in Vancouver. She would like to rent her loft on the 5th floor of the North Star Building. The bright 1,100 square foot, 1-bedroom loft offers both city and river views. The \$2250 monthly rent includes one garage space and a storage unit. If you have any questions, please contact [Leslie](#).

**Please note: The MCC Office will be closed on Memorial Day, May 31.**

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### Mill City Marketplace Vendor Spotlight

Aloft Minneapolis Hotel opened in August of 2008, as part of a new concept for Starwood's savvy travelers. It is a modern, fresh, and fun destination with loft-inspired design, where you can celebrate your style in the unique openness of a no-walls, no-limits space. Aloft—a vision of W hotels, is the newest hotspot on the Mississippi riverfront. The hotel supports MCC programming. For more information on MCC vendors and discounts, please log in to your account at [www.millcitycommons.org](http://www.millcitycommons.org).

### SPECIAL OFFER from The Doorway!

40% off all appointments scheduled through June 30th, just mention MCC. 30% off for all new clients through the end of August. To schedule an appointment, call (612) 619-0881. Don't miss this great deal!

### Neighborhood Happenings

*Keep the Beat Fundraiser for 2nd Precinct Substation. May 27, 5 - 7 pm. Vic's on the Riverfront, 201 Main St SE.*

Join the NE Business Association in supporting the 2nd Precinct Substation with a raffle and silent auction featuring prizes from local neighborhood businesses. The event includes appetizers courtesy of Vic's, as well as wine, beer, and cheese courtesy of Surdyk's. Tickets are \$25, available at Surdyk's and Keegan's Pub.

*"Carmina Burana" in Concert. June 5, 8 pm. Antonello Hall, MacPhail Center for Music, 501 South Second Street.*

Soloists Noelle French, Gerry Schmidt, David Weller, and Amy Wolf; pianists Gail Olszewski and Charles Scarborough; and Rimshots! percussion ensemble will perform one of Carl Orff's most famous works in this free, public concert. For more information, call 612-321-0100.

*Urban Playground Info Event. Thursday, June 17th 5:30-7:00pm. Stone Arch Lofts (600 South 2nd St. # 704).*

Learn about the spectacular urban playground that will be built at the end of 4th Avenue, right on the banks of the Mississippi! Kids will get play equipment that incorporates nature, history, sustainability, and river stewardship themes, and the entire neighborhood will enjoy more trees, picnic tables, grills, and shaded spaces. The North Loop Neighborhood, in collaboration with the Minneapolis Parks Foundation, has agreed to help with the fundraising for this exciting project. A lot of momentum has been created, including a challenge grant from the North Loop Neighborhood Association. Please join MCC Member and event host Sue Bennett to learn more! RSVP to Sue at (612) 371-9645.

*ABOVE THE FALLS SPORTS Mississippi River Tours*

Kayaking/Canoeing/Rowing on the Mississippi right out of downtown Minneapolis is a spectacular way to experience our urban wonderland! Being on the water in a self-propelled boat is a whole new orientation of where we live, work, tour and play! Liberate yourself from the confines of landlubbing! You'll be glad for it!! For more information and details about specific tours and registration [click here](#).

### \$kills to Go! on the MCC Members-Only Website

One of the newest features of the members-only website is \$kills to Go! Log on to the website and click on **Forum** or **Join a Discussion**. Under "Mill City Commons" on the Forum page, you can view skills and services members (and staff!) are willing to share, including handyman jobs and alterations. Do you have a skill to share? Post it in \$kills to Go! Be sure to include a description of what you are willing to do, along with your fee and contact information. It's just one more way to help out and connect with other MCC members! Contact [Emily](#) at 612.455.3329 with any questions.

Upload your profile picture on the MCC members-only website, and you could win a gift certificate from Spoonriver or CorAzon! Instructions are available [here](#).