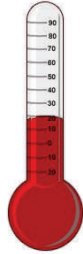




## MILL CITY MUSINGS

### Move the Mercury! 2010 Renewal Drive



Last week Mill City Commons kicked off its renewal drive and already 25% of you have joined again! Our goal is to have all our members renew and continue the commitment to make the Mill District our neighborhood for a lifetime. Renewing members are eligible for the \$100 discount if you renew before March 31, 2010! In addition, members who successfully recruit a new member will receive a \$100 credit towards MCC activities! Renewal is simple and can be done by logging on to your member page at [www.millcitycommons.org](http://www.millcitycommons.org) or by mailing back the renewal packets

### MCC Member Laura Crosby Gives Tonight's Age: Wide Angle Lecture!

In 2002, photographer (and MCC member!) Laura Crosby, composer Libby Larsen, and writer Marisha Chamberlain presented a collaborative installation on aging at the Weisman Art Museum. Coming together again, the three artists will reflect on their installation and explore "age" through images, words, and sounds. This will be the most interactive lecture ever staged at the downtown library and is not to be missed! Please plan to arrive between 6:15pm and 6:30pm so Laura can take your picture. This is the fourth lecture in the Age: Wide Angle series; for additional details [click here](#).



### All MCC all the Time!

**Butcher Block Dinner:** Join your friends and neighbors for a delicious, specially designed three-course meal at one of the neighborhood's newest restaurants! [Click here](#) to view the menu and sign up!

**March Calendar:** MCC's March calendar went out yesterday and features a variety of great activities, including our Suits and Suitcases Drive, a chance to tour the new Twins Stadium and a Complete Scholar class on World War II! [Click here](#) to view the full calendar!

### Neighborhood Happenings

*Lecture with Artist Gedi Sibony. February 25, 2010, 7 PM. In-Flux Lecture Space (Room E110) Regis Center for Art, 405 21st Avenue South.*

Sibony's lecture is the third in a series of related events organized in conjunction with the opening of the new exhibition Abstract Resistance at the Walker Art Center curated by Yasmin Raymond. Gedi Sibony lives and works in New York and has been the subject of monographic exhibitions at The Contemporary Art Museum, St. Louis, Missouri; Kunsthalle St. Gallen, Switzerland; FRAC Champagne-Ardenne, Reims, France; and Midway Contemporary Art, Minneapolis, MN. This event is free and open to the public.

*4<sup>th</sup> Annual Skyway Open. February 25-27, 2010. Downtown Skyways!*

Grab your putters and hit the Skyways! The Downtown Network is pleased to bring the 4th Annual U.S. Bank Skyway Golf Tournament back to Downtown Minneapolis. The event, featuring 18 one-of-a-kind miniature golf holes, benefits the Boys and Girls Club of the Twin Cities. For more information and to register [click here](#).

*More neighborhood happenings on page 2.*



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### Welcome the Newest MCCer- Our Intern Leah!



Next time you stop by the MCC office, there will be a new face greeting you— our intern Leah Battin! Leah is delighted to be part of Mill City Commons. She recently completed an internship in the Guthrie Theater's education department and has just begun Hamline University's MAT program for secondary math. Leah graduated from Washington University in Saint Louis in 2007 with a BA in Drama for costume design. She then spent a year teaching elementary art in New Mexico through Teach For America. Originally from South Dakota, she moved to the Twin Cities in 2008 to be closer to her family and to explore theater and costume opportunities.

When she is not in class or the MCC office, Leah is an attendant for The Traveling Photo Booth. You can reach Leah via e-mail at: [leah@millcitycommons.org](mailto:leah@millcitycommons.org).

### MCC Members Love....

**Pilates at Benessere** *"I have been attending the Pilates class at Benessere and love it! Roy comes up with new routines each week that really strengthen my core muscles, stretch my body and give me new energy. The best part is that it is really fun! I was concerned that I might be overwhelmed or ache too much from Pilates routines - but Roy pays close attention to my form and capacity - so I finish feeling exhilarated."* - Carol Vantine, Cobalt.

To sign up for Pilates, contact Benessere at 612-378-WELL. MCC members receive a discount!

Is there an MCC vendor, activity or event you love? Email [leah@millcitycommons.org](mailto:leah@millcitycommons.org) and tell us about it!

### Neighborhood Happenings Continued

*Tibet and Botanical Art as Cultural Diplomacy. March 14, 2010, 7 PM. The Bridgewater Condominium Community Room, 215 10<sup>th</sup> Ave South*

Mill District Community Member Vicki Underland-Rosow is hosting an evening with Dianne Aigaki, a well-known motivational speaker who ties in botanical aspects to education, women's exploration, cultural diplomacy, and environmental conservation. Through stunning photographs and lively storytelling discover Tibet's incredible beauty, its exotic people and the dilemma of a society living under Chinese occupation for more than 50 years. Dianne will also share with us her original botanical watercolors of plants growing at 11,000 to 16,000 feet. To RSVP email: [underland-rosow@comcast.net](mailto:underland-rosow@comcast.net)

*Correction- In last week's edition of the newsletter we included a memoriam for MCC member Phil Von Blon. The article did not mention Phil's daughter Martha and we apologize for this omission.*

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