SIGN UP TO TAKE THE GREENWAY CHALLENGE  
SATURDAY, JUNE 5, 2010

The Midtown Greenway Coalition’s signature summer event will highlight committed Twin Cities riders in a bike-a-thon along the Greenway bike trail. The Challenge? Participants will ask friends, family and neighbors to pledge their support for a four hour ride in the Greenway. Each participant must collect $250 in pledges to participate.

GRAND PRIZE
Raise the highest dollar amount in pledges and win a one week stay at Beth Parkhill’s and Bob Corrick’s Loire Valley manor house in France’s bicycle friendly wine county. See loirechateau.wordpress.com for details about the house.

All participants will be entered in a drawing for an array of other prizes.

Riders will begin their four-hour journey at 2 p.m., and will have access to several refreshment and support stations along the Greenway trail. Riders of all stripes are encouraged to take part, whether you want to extend your endurance or cruise comfortably for four hours. A music and food filled celebration from 6-8 p.m. at the Cepro Site will conclude the Greenway Challenge.

For more information about this event, visit www.midtowngreenway.org

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INSÍCRIBASE PARA ACEPTAR EL RETO GREENWAY
SATURDAY, JUNE 5, 2010

La actividad principal de verano de la coalición Midtown Greenway, que se llevará a cabo el sábado, 5 de junio, pondrá de relieve a ciclistas entusiastas de las Ciudades Gemelas en una actividad de recaudación de fondos llamada bike-a-thon, en el sendero Greenway. ¿Cuál es el reto? Los participantes solicitarán a sus amigos, parientes y vecinos que les brinden su apoyo a una excursión de cuatro horas de duración en el sendero Greenway. Cada participante debe recaudar $250 en donaciones para participar.

PREMIO MAYOR
La persona que recauda la mayor cantidad de dinero ganará la estadía de una semana en el castillo de Beth Parkhill y Bob Corrick en el Valle Loira (Loire Valley), que es una región vinícola de Francia, ideal para recorrer en bicicleta. Por más detalles sobre la residencia, visite loirechateau.wordpress.com.

Todo los participantes de esta actividad tendrán derecho a participar en el sorteo de varios premios.

Los ciclistas comenzarán las 2 de la tarde la excursión de cuatro horas, con acceso a refrescos y a estaciones de apoyo a lo largo del sendero Greenway. Se invita a todo tipo de ciclistas a participar, tanto sea para poner a prueba su resistencia física o para pasear cómodamente por cuatro horas. Para cerrar con broche de oro el Reto Greenway (Greenway Challenge), se realizará una fiesta con música y comida desde las 6 a las 8 de la noche en Cepro Site (un lugar en el sendero Greenway, entre las calles 10 y 11).

Para más información sobre esta actividad, consulte en www.midtowngreenway.org

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Heads Up, Buddy Up!

By Lauren Fulner, Lutheran Volunteer Corps Community Organizer

The Coalition is launching a new safety program this April to encourage safer riding on the Midtown Greenway bike trail. Potential participants in the Buddy Up program will be verified by two individuals already in the safety program and asked to sign a waiver statement, and then will be given a spoke card to display on their bike. This signifies they are willing to buddy up with other solo riders on the trail. Join us with Heads Up, Buddy Up! to make the biking community safer!

This program was initiated in hopes of decreasing the number of individuals riding solo after dark, since all but one of the limited number of crimes against bikers on the Greenway in the last 10 years involved a solo rider. While we hope the Heads Up, Buddy Up! program will alert riders to safe and aware individuals riding the trails, the most important way to stay safe while biking the Greenway after dark is to arrange for a friend to ride with you before departing.

Please contact us at the Coalition office if you're interested in participating or have questions about the program: trailwatch@midtowngreenway.org 612-879-0106

Special thanks to Susan Priem, Andrew Paule, Paul Caspersen, and Mark Ambroe for their hard work in implementing this program.

Featured Trail User

Krista Schieffer is a barista at the Freewheel Midtown Cafe, yoga instructor, and avid bicyclist and runner on the Midtown Greenway. She loves using the Midtown Greenway to “get all over the city for a fun, fast, car-free commute,” and that “others on the Greenway are happy to be out riding—sharing a smile with another commuter makes my day that much better!”

Annual Meeting

Thursday, May 27
6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Cepro Entryway between 10th and 11th Avenues

Join us for our annual celebration. Learn about our accomplishments, current programs and challenges. Food from our global community and entertainment from local spoken-word artists will be featured.
For the 10th annual Arbor Day on the Midtown Greenway, volunteers will celebrate by planting trees and shrubs at the Cepro site. A community planning process over the last year shaped the design for this public space, featuring native plantings, public art, and recreational features that can serve people with physical disabilities.

Tree Trust staff, Master Gardeners and Tree Care Advisors will provide education on tree and shrub planting as well as plant maintenance that will ensure strong growth. Snacks, coffee, water and shovels will be provided. Don't forget your gloves!

Please ride your bike if you can! Bike racks will be available on site. Automobile parking will be available on the street or in nearby ramps.

For more information or to volunteer, please contact Theresa Nelson at 612-879-0103 or Theresa@midtowngreenway.org.
MISSION
We empower communities to develop, improve, protect, and enjoy the Midtown Greenway as a green urban pathway to improve people’s lives.

MISIÓN
Nosotros habilitamos a las comunidades a desarrollar, mejorar, proteger y disfrutar del sendero urbano Midtown Greenway para mejorar la vida de la gente.

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MIDTOWN GREENWAY COALITION BOARD MEMBERS

The Coalition board of directors consists of one seat for each of the 17 neighborhoods along the Lake Street-Midtown Greenway Corridor, and four at-large seats. (Contact us to learn more about available seats.)

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- At Large

For a list of board members’ roles and responsibilities, visit www.midtowngreenway.org. Follow the links to Board of Directors, or call 612-879-0103.
The Midtown Greenway Coalition has several upcoming events that are in need of volunteers! Please read through the following opportunities and email Lauren at lauren@midtowngreenway.org, if you are interested in volunteering or have any questions.

- **Midtown Greenway Coalition’s Annual Meeting**
  Thursday, May 27th, 4 – 8 p.m.
  Help us set up, bring food, serve food, and clean up.

- **The Greenway Challenge**
  Saturday, June 5th
  Help us support and cheer on participants of the first annual bike-a-thon in the Greenway. The day will be filled with a number of ways to help out. Mark your calendars and we’ll find a job for you. Three hour shifts between 1:00 p.m and 10:00 p.m.

- **Tour de Fat Beer Sales**
  Saturday, July 10th
  Last year was a blast for the over 100 volunteers who helped set-up, serve beer and clean up. Costumes are encouraged. This year’s event will be in Loring Park. You won’t want to miss it.

- **Public Outreach on the Greenway**
  Saturdays May through August, 12 - 3 p.m.
  Many users of the Greenway are not aware of our work and are not members of our organization. Help us to spread the word about all of our programs and important advocacy.

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**JUDGE CALLS FOR WRITTEN COMMENTS RE: HIGH VOLTAGE LINE STRUGGLE**

By Tim Springer, Executive Director

The struggle to keep high voltage transmission lines off the Midtown Greenway continues to rage. Throughout the month of April 2010 hearings are scheduled before an administrative law judge. The law judge will then make a route recommendation, such as above or below ground and through the Greenway or under 28th Street. The Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (PUC) has the final say. Since our last issue of Pathways, the Draft Environmental Impact Statement was released and about 125 members of the public turned out to comment at a public meeting.

Members of the public will have until May 11, 2010 to provide written comments to the law judge regarding route preferences. This is evidence in the case and can influence the decision. The Coalition, neighborhoods, and City of Minneapolis agree that, if the lines go in, they should be underground below the middle of East 28th Street, thereby minimizing electric and magnetic field impacts on adjacent residents. More information about how to comment can be found at midtowngreenway.org along with a list of concerns about the project, position statements, how to get involved, and how to donate to support the Coalition’s advocacy.

The Midtown Greenway Coalition and the Greenway neighborhoods have many concerns about Xcel’s Hiawatha Project, including health impacts of electric and magnetic fields, and consigning this part of town to permanent blight rather than allowing it to continuing serving as a spine for development. Developers tell us they would not likely build anything under these lines. This would be very unfortunate given that the Midtown Greenway is a future rail transit corridor.

On a separate track, on March 8, 2010 House File 1633 (Clark) was passed by the Minnesota House Energy Finance and Policy Division Committee. On March 18, 2010 Senate File 1537 (Berglin) was passed by the Minnesota Senate Energy, Utilities, Technology and Communications Committee. Both bills would require Xcel to secure a “certificate of need” by proving to the PUC that the proposed transmission lines are needed for electricity reliability in the area. A certificate of need would require a closer examination of possible alternatives to the lines. Such alternatives could potentially include a bundle of energy conservation, local power generation such as with photovoltaic panels, on-site generation of heat and electricity by large commercial customers, energy storage, and smart grid to tie it all together. To become law, the bills must be passed by the full House and Senate, reconciled into one bill, forwarded to the Governor, and signed by the Governor.

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**TRAIL WATCH SUPERSTARS**

**DECEMBER 2009 – FEBRUARY 2010**

Congratulations to all winter riders!

“If you would like to join a Trail Watch ride, please email trailwatch@midtowngreenway.org” Thanks!

**1-5 RIDES:**
- Brendan Adams
- Scott Campbell
- Nick Dellwo
- Ted Duepner
- Ted Fabel
- Gabriel Hoffman
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- Andrea Holm
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- Becky Monnens
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**6-11 RIDES:**
- Paul Caspersen
- Benjamin Erickson
- Lauren Fulner
- Hakan
- Kathleen Sullivan
- Brad Tiffany
- Chad Wilkins

**12-17 RIDES:**
- Mark Ambroe

**The Paul Caspersen Dedication Awards:**
- Benjamin Erickson (10 rides)
- Kathleen Sullivan (11 rides)
- Mark Ambroe (12 rides)
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MEMBERSHIP AND DONATION FORM

Name ____________________________________________
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☐ $250 – Greenway Angel
☐ $100 – Greenway Patron
☐ $50 – Greenway Advocate
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☐ Any amount comfortable for you $___________
☐ Yes, I want to volunteer

My main interest is: ______________________________

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Fourth Thursday of the month
Thursday, April 22, May 27 and
June 24, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
MAY 27 ANNUAL MEETING WITH FOOD AND PROGRAM, SEE PAGE 2

LAND USE COMMITTEE
Second Monday of the month
Monday, April 12, May 10 and
June 14, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

SAFETY COMMITTEE
Third Tuesday of the month
Tuesday, April 20, May 18 and
June 15, 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

ARBOR DAY
Saturday, May 1, SEE PAGE 3

THE GREENWAY CHALLENGE
Saturday, June 5th Bike-a-thon between 2 p.m. - 8 p.m. and
celebration with music at the Cepro Site between 10th and 11th
Avenue, SEE PAGE 1

Unless indicated, all meetings are held at the Midtown Greenway Coalition’s office (2834 10th Avenue South, Greenway Level, Suite 2, Minneapolis, MN  55407).