The Smilin' Cowboys will donate all cover charge proceeds to support Art in the Hollow, the annual art fair produced by the Friends of Swede Hollow. The event will take place at the Minnesota Music Cafe on Thursday, November 9, from 8:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

"The Voice of the Community"
**Dayton's Bluff Take-a-Hike**

On the second Saturday of most months, the Dayton's Bluff Take-a-Hike will begin at Indian Mounds Park, located at Earl Street and Mounds Boulevard, at 10:30 a.m. The next hike will be on Saturday, November 11. The hike is approximately one and a half to two hours long and will end at Swede Hollow Park or East Side Heritage Park, depending on the desire of the hikers. Share and learn a little history along the way! Email karindupaul@comcast.net or call 615-776-0550 for more information.

**Friends of Swede Hollow**

Watch over, restore, and celebrate the history of Swede Hollow Park. Join the Swede Hollow community at their monthly meeting on Thursday, November 2, at 6:30 p.m. Please note that meetings are now on Thursday. Email karin@swedehollow.org or call 615-776-0550 for more information and the meeting’s location.

**Dayton's Bluff District Forum Board Meeting**

The Forum is seeking help with writing up upcoming events, online, creating learning pages and ad sales. Join us at our next meeting on Tuesday, November 7, at 7:00 p.m. at Swede Hollow Cafe (725 E. 7th Street). Call 615-776-0550 or email editor@dayton bluff.org for more information.

**Police Community Meetings**

The Eastern District Saint Paul Police will host their monthly meetings for community members at the Eastern District Police Office at 722 Payne Avenue, on the corner of Payne and Minnehaha Avenues. The next meetings are on Wednesday, November 15, at 7:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Meetings are intended as a time to listen to and address concerns about crime and other issues on the East Side.

**SNAP Food Program at CLUES (Comunidades Latinas Unidas En Servicio)**


**Twin Cities Mobile Market**

The Twin Cities Mobile Market is a group of trucks that delivers affordable, healthy food directly into under-resourced neighborhoods. The Mobile Market stops at Parkway Gardens Apartments, located at 1145 Harrison Road, on Wednesdays, from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

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**Let your voice be heard!**

Contact WEQY 104.7 FM, St. Paul East Side’s Community Reporter Cearah Hamilton of The Eastside Vibe if you have valuable resources you want to get out to the community, would like to cover your event, or interview your organization! Cearah can be reached at cearah@weqy.org.

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**Children's Book Drive**

Now through November 30, REACH Together is collecting new or gently-used children’s picture books and early readers for low-income families living in the Earl and Hudson neighborhood of Dayton’s Bluff. REACH Research shows that children do better in school if they’ve experienced the joy of reading at home. Your books will provide that joy.

Please bring your gifts to REACH Together at 1075 Hudson Road or call Sheryl at (615) 774-3086 or (612) 270- 4360 to arrange for pick-up.

REACH Together is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt, nonprofit charitable organization. To learn more, visit www.reachtogether.org.
Mounds Park United Methodist Church
1049 Euclid Street (corner of Earl and Euclid); 651-774-8736
Mounds Park United Methodist on Facebook

Mounds Park United Methodist Church is a multicultural, intergenerational neighborhood congregation located at 1049 Euclid Street in Dayton’s Bluff. Sunday worship begins at 10:30 a.m.

November: After school programming for area youth, sponsored by the McVay Youth Partnership of Hamline University is an after school program for community youth grades 5-12, held at Mounds Park UMC on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 3:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. during the school year. Students will participate in environmental classes, Girl Scouts, field trips, and receive homework help and support in learning English. Contact Jane Krentz (612-581-6978) for more information.

Sundays: Join the Multi-Generational Sunday School Class! Class meets every Sunday at 9:15 a.m. in the lounge of the church and is led by two congregation members. This class follows an adult curriculum and has a participant age range of 80 years!

Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.: Parents of Addicted Loved Ones (PAL) Support Group Meetings. PAL is a place where parents with a child addicted to drugs and/or alcohol can find hope in a support group. Founded in 2006 by Michael Speakman, LISAC, PAL has recently become incorporated as a Christian run non-profit. PAL meetings are open to anyone of any faith or background, as the primary goal is to provide hope through education and support for parents dealing with addicted loved ones. Meetings are led by a trained facilitator. This is an open group to persons 18 years and older. Stop by any Tuesday, ring the doorbell on the Euclid Entrance, and you’ll be welcomed in!

The third Wednesday of each month, beginning at noon: Community Friendship Gathering Meal and Program. Join Mounds Park UMC on the third Wednesday of each month for a hot meal and entertainment. Hot lunch of turkey and dressing, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, cranberries, rolls, and dessert. Following lunch, Tara Brueski will play the piano and sing for us. Reservations are due to the church office by calling 651-774-8736 no later than the Monday before Friendship Gathering.

Sunday, November 19: Community “Dessert First” Potluck Meal and Silent Auction. Join us at 11:30 a.m. for our Community Potluck “Dessert First!” Bring your favorite dessert to share! The youth group will also be hosting their annual Silent Auction on Sunday, November 19, from 11:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. During lunch, you may check out the auction tables and place your bids. We are currently asking local businesses and residents to donate items or appropriate services to be auctioned. This event will raise money for our Youth Group, to be used for scholarships to camps and mission trips. Everyone in the community is welcome to donate an item to the church during office hours (Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.) or join us to bid on the items. Items that are won will be available to take home following payment, on Sunday, November 19.

Needed: Your home for the Minneapolis and St. Paul Home Tour

The 2018 Minneapolis and St. Paul Home Tour will be here before we know it. Dayton’s Bluff homes are needed to be featured on the 2018 tour taking place on Saturday, April 28, and Sunday, April 29.

This home tour showcases occupied homes and highlights the great variety of Dayton’s Bluff homes and our wonderful community. Visitors from all over the metro come each year to see the lovely homes and meet the welcoming people living in Dayton’s Bluff.

Six to eight Dayton’s Bluff homes are needed to be on the tour. Homes can be large or small, Victorians or ramblers, or anything in between. Homes may be works-in-progress or finished products. It’s a fantastic opportunity for us to show off our neighborhoods and all the good things about Dayton’s Bluff. Each year some visitors like Dayton’s Bluff so much that they buy a home here. The tour is a great way to get new ideas on remodeling and updating your home. You can nominate your own home, or talk to a friend or your neighbors about getting their homes on the tour.

In addition to homes to be on the tour, we are also looking for neighborhood people to volunteer to help out during the tour. To sign up or for more information, please email karindupaul@comcast.net or call 651-776-0550.

Jeannie Foster is your Dayton’s Bluff neighbor running for St. Paul School Board.

On November 7, re-elect “Jeannie Foster for Kids!”
Paid for by neighbors of Jeannie Foster.
Have you ever wondered what’s been wrong with our politics for the last 40 years? Why is it that politicians want to privatize Social Security, the Post Office and public schools? What about deregulation in the transportation industry, banking, and trade? Why do state legislatures cut school budgets, bonding bills for public works, and subsidies for local government? And how did the no-new-taxes movement gain such traction? Why did the U.S. Supreme Court decide that corporations have the same rights as people and that money is an expression of free speech?

Nancy MacLean, a Professor of History and Public Policy at Duke University knows why and she explains it effectively in her new book, Democracy In Chains: The Deep History of the Radical Right’s Stealth Plan for America. She attributes these policies to the economic theories of a University of Chicago trained economist, James McGill Buchanan, who won the Nobel Prize in Economic Sciences in 1986. Buchanan divided the polity not in conventional terms such as liberals and conservatives or Republicans and Democrats but, rather, as “makers and takers.” “Makers” are people of means and property who, by their affluence, are entitled to whatever they want. “Takers,” on the other hand, are all the rest of us who depend on taxes to provide the necessities of life such as schools, infrastructure, regulated markets, jobs, etc. In a democratic political system, the majority takers should have the power, through their elected officials, to levy progressive taxes on makers who see themselves as an oppressed minority. These makers seek protection from their “oppressors” by trying to rig the voting process, influencing legislators with campaign contributions, and suppressing takers’ organizations such as unions, Social Security, Medicare, Medicaid, and any other social services such as public schools and universities. In their view, they have “earned” their wealth and the rest of us must have no claim on any of it. If we are lacking, we should just work harder to provide for ourselves. If we can’t? Too bad!

Buchanan’s theories about how government officials make decisions and, “...[how the rules of government might be altered so officials could not act on the will of the majority...]” caught the attention of Charles Koch (of the infamous “Koch Brothers”) who, according to Professor MacLean, had been looking for a political economic theory to under-gird his libertarian, anti-regulation beliefs. He used them as the basis for finding such right-wing think tanks as the libertarians, Cato Institute, American Legislative Exchange Council, the Club for Growth, the American Enterprise Institute, and a whole list of altruistic sounding advocacy groups, which really support the power and protect the wealth of the Makers.

When the Pinochet dictatorship sought advice as to how to organize the Chilean economy after the overthrow of the socialist Allende government, it turned to the economics department at the University of Chicago. In addition to Milton Friedman’s advice about free-market economy, Professor Buchanan also offered advice on how to modify the Chilean Constitution to insure, “[A] veto-proof super-majority operating without majority support.” The Pinochet regime is long gone but the undemocratic constitution remains to this day thwarting the will of the majority.

It is this anti-majoritarian aspect of the radical right philosophy and Professor MacLean’s scholarship tracing its origins and implications for the future of our democracy that makes this such an important book for people to read. North Korea, the Taliban, Russia meddling in our election, even white extremism, are nothing compared to the damage that can be done to our democratic way of life if we lose majority rule. It can happen here and it would not take a constitutional convention or amendment to do it. It could be done with a simple reinterpretation of the law by treating the 0.1% of the super-rich as an “oppressed” minority, and until enough elections had been won, so that a different court could be appointed, we would be stuck in a third-world dictatorship of the super-rich and there would be nothing we could do about it.

Much of the ground-work for such an outcome has already been laid: four sitting Supreme Court Justices are members of the Koch-funded Federalist Society. One more and there will be a reliable majority for the super-rich. The existing back-log of federal appeals court appointments is being filled by radical right justices. Voter suppression laws and gerrymandering of congressional districts will not only continue but, expand. Rigging of the voting process is already an established fact. In Minnesota we are one election away from becoming a right-to-work state. Radical right influence is seen in the “pre-emption” bill currently passed by the legislature and in efforts to return the budget surplus to the wealthy rather than using it for much-needed infrastructure/education benefits. We are already well on our way to losing our majority rule.

Professor MacLean is a masterful story-teller. Her important book is an absorbing read. Her scholarly exposition of the political economy of the radical right, makes clear the peril of our democracy. Forewarned is forearmed. Like Paul Revere, her warning is urgent. Read this book and take action!

On Thursday, November 2, at 7:00 p.m., join the East Side Freedom Library at 1105 Greenbrier Street, in welcoming Professor MacLean who will share the story of her research and why she wrote this book. She will be in conversation with the East Side Freedom Library’s own Nancy MacLean. Join the discussion and be part of the solution.

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Visitors watching Philemon and Baucis – Planet in Peril: A Picnic Operetta in Swede Hollow Park on September 24. Delicious picnic items were served courtesy of Urban Roots. The crowd is already looking forward to next year’s performance!
Perseverance has become a vocation for Andy

Mark Gallagher
Associate Editor

In his life, Andy Kurian has hurdled one obstacle after another, and another, and another. When he was eight years old, he had multiple strokes, which put him in a coma for nearly three months and in three hospitals for one year.

Kurian spent much time between Children’s Hosp-ital in Minneapolis, Abbott Northwestern Hospital, and the Sister Kenny Rehabilitation Institute. “I got shuffled around a lot,” he said.

After high school, Kurian was homeless. “In an effort to find housing,” he said, “I got into a graphic design program at The Art Institutes Minnesota because starting school allowed me to live in the dorms. I received my associates degree in March of 2006.”

After receiving his degree, he needed major recon-structive surgery on his right leg to correct some residual problems from his strokes. “It put me in a nursing home for six months,” Kurian said. “When I got back on my feet, I started doing physical and speech therapy at Sister Kenny for the aphasia caused by the stroke.”

Kurian has been on a waivered case-management plan since after his nursing home stay. Funds avail-able through a waiver could go towards developing a person-centered plan for people seeking greater inde-pendence.

“Since the clinic where I was receiving the thera-py was managed by the president of the Minnesota Stroke Association,” Kurian said, “he was very sup-portive and allowed me to utilize technology in his sessions as I explored ways of extending my therapy.

“While I was doing that therapy, I also started volunteering with the Brain Injury Association of Minnesota and through that volunteered position, I advocated for them to utilize a network suite. I hoped the entrepreneur program I was starting in 2007 would assist me in working with the organiza-tion—that was before the Brain Injury Association of Minnesota merged with the Minnesota Stroke As-sociation.”

After a few months of this therapy, Kurian re-ceived notice that Medicare would end his aphasia therapy. That news prompted him to start looking at ways to extend his therapy outside the clinical set-ting.

“I started talking to professionals in the field about telemedical applications that could support this ther-apy,” Kurian said.

After his speech therapy ended, Kurian opened a case with the Workforce Vocational Rehabilitation Agency. His counselor agreed to support a self-em-ployment plan to do business with a nonprofit and an alternative network to create an alternative commu-nications network.

“Opening that case is what prompted me to start attending the Dayton’s Bluff Micro-entrepreneur Program in 2007,” Kurian said. “When I was in that program, I was told it was a partnership between the Minnesota Department of Employment and Econom-ic Development (DEED) and the Minnesota Depart-ment of Human Services (DHS), so the class offered me an opportunity to explore my concept for an alter-native network.”

The Microentrepreneur class helped Kurian identi-fy a case-management statute that would permit this alternative network. He was later told that a group on the state level was researching policy issues around streamlining communication in various case-man-agement waivers. “At that time, I had an opportunity to work with the Service Core of Retired Executives (SCORE),” Kurian said. “However, after I finished the Microentrepreneur Program, the case was closed.”

The vocational rehabilitation counselor Kurian worked with suggested that the workforce agency needed to close his case because they could not be involved in public policy.

“In 2014, I started an undergraduate program in IT/Healthcare at Capella University, but as I was completing my first course, the school withdrew me, saying I was too slow. Capella University cited fed-eral policy for non-profit and that’s when I started casework with Senator Klobuchar’s office.”

In February of 2015, Kurian reopened the case with the Minnesota Office of Vocational Rehabilitation Services and requested Senator Klobuchar’s of-fice make an inquiry into the Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, which is un-der the Department of Education.

“The State of Minnesota said they would do an evaluation to determine if I would benefit from voca-tional rehabilitation services,” Kurian said. “The state contracted with the Courage Center to do this assessment, and their final conclusion to the Depart-ment of Vocational Rehabilitation was they didn’t feel I was employable to their standards.”

In February of 2016, Kurian started “Partners in Policymaking” with the Governor’s Council on De velopmental Disabilities, an eight-month program with weekend sessions once a month. “I believe I was accepted into the program because the private school system failed me,” he said, “and the vocational agency did not support me to get into the work-force.”

“Before I concluded my policymaking program,” Kurian said, “I met with Senator Franks’ health care representative to discuss the state’s ability to help people with disabilities get into the workforce.

The meeting was to discuss the labor issues in Trump’s skinny budget, specifically the elimination of the Office of Disability Employment Policy (ODEP). The policymaking program taught me to be a more effective advocate for disability rights. I graduated from the program in May of 2017.

“I enjoyed participating in the policymaking pro-gram. In completing the program, my hope is to offer real solutions to these education and workforce prob-lems. Now that I am a policymaking graduate, I have the opportunity to advocate for the policies to sup-port my efforts of creating an alternative communi-cations network.”

“One takeaway I got from my policymaking stud-ies,” Kurian said, “was the growing influence of the traditional public financing model to raise living standards in the age of Trump. That is why I contin-ue to advocate for new models to foster innovation in the public sector, and better ways to put capital to work. My hope is through advocacy we can keep this dialogue going.”

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Green Burial and Eco-Funerals Part One: The Place
Let’s protect our planet and keep it sustainable

George Aughey
Special to the Forum

With our changing environment, it is ever more important to continue to protect our planet for future generations. In nature, when an organism dies, it returns to the ground to become part of the earth itself. As humans, we have def-ined this natural process, wasting resources in the process. A traditional funeral re-sults in the burial of concrete, metals, and toxic fluids in the ground, along with the body. Given that there are sev-eral million burials a year, the com-bined impact is significant. A “green funeral” and/or an “eco-funeral” means having a simple, natural funeral.

Locations for natural burial are be-coming more common, as more people learn about the benefits of natural buri-al. Places that accommodate natural burials are beautiful, natural places, which lack headstones, concrete and other man-made materials that detract from the natural environment. Special flowers, plants, shrubs, and native or newly planted trees can usually be used in place of a headstone to mark the burial location of a loved one. Family and friends can plant, care for, and witness the new growth and nature in that special place. Green and natural cemeteries promote the growth of trees and natural shrubs, and support wildlife within as they are designed to allow na-ture to take its course.

There is a natural eco-friendly ceme-tery available in Minnesota: Prairie Oaks Memorial Eco Gardens. Many more locations are planned. If you are interested in minimizing your ecological footprint on the envi-ronment, you should consider an eco-friendly selection as part of the final arrangement at Prairie Oaks Memorial Eco Gardens. Check it out for yourself at 8825 Argenta Trail, Inver Grove Heights, MN 55077 Business Office address: 1025 Dodd Road, West Saint Paul, MN 55118.

For further information on or to sched-ule an individual or group consultation, contact George Aughey at (651) 434-4040 or gaughey@gmail.com.
View From My Porch
Sage Holben
Forum Staff

Spring of 2017 brought not only hay fever and colorful wildflowers and goldenrod, but also a growing crime wave. Garages have been broken into, bicycles and tools stolen, theft precautions meaningless. Adult males have found a perverse satisfaction in exposing their gardens to ransacking in front of children and women who live in the area. Litter in the grassy boulevards was once an occasional Burger King wrapper; now neighbors regularly pick up hypodermic needles, empty liquor bottles, and piles of human feces, as well as clothing, and odds and ends.

Residents who once felt safe walking their dogs in Swede Hollow have now learned to return home to be verbally or physically harassed by aggressive men who appear to be drunk, on drugs, and/or exhibiting psychotic behaviors. More recently, and striking more fear into the neighborhood, a man, not from the neighborhood, after being seen checking the Listening House doors, walked into a residence and removed items from an enclosed porch, piled them in the yard and added a note: ‘Porch owned by Mark Gallagher, who had been called by a neighbor, returned home. A man held the intruder until police arrived. Apparently, the intruder had been released from a hospital prior to his ‘house visit’ and the police returned him to the hospital.

Another resident, on returning home, was shocked to find an adult male asleep on her porch. Frightened, she left and stayed elsewhere, believing he had a knife...evidenced by the words he had carved into the porch railing: ‘F--- this life.’

Saint Paul’s City Planning Commission recently indicated that this is acceptable behavior. With certain neighborhood board chair Betsy Revel voting, the hand vote was a 7/7 tie. Some who voted to overrule the neighborhood appeal and the City Zoning agreement with that appeal in effect reasoned that because people who have committed these crimes and misdemeanors are homeless, and since the First Lutheran Church sponsors a ‘drop-in living room’ (this is not a shelter and no meals are served), Listening House guests have every right to feel at home in the neighbors’ yards and porches; this is my phrasing, not the pastors’ or Listening House director’s. As one Planning Member said, “It’s what churches do.” I’m not sure what ‘It’ is, unless it is to give alcoholics and drug users a place to indulge inappropriate behaviors in public, litter the neighborhood with hypodermic needles, empty liquor bottles, and to encourage behaviors of exposing male genitalia, urination, and condoning thefts and break-ins.

I say ‘encourage’ and ‘condone,’ because although the Listening House claim they discourage, the decision to move from their site near the old Dorothy Day shelter, and the police problem calls when defendant’s were excessive, of course, you would not want it in your neighborhood. Moving one more ‘problem’ to the west side, to Dayton’s Bluff, is typical of our city government, this time virtue of the city’s own erroneous zoning decision, recently verified by the assistant city attorney (and which likely would have been noticed had the public been informed of the zoning approval in late 2016; but no, not even the District 4 director spoke up for those she represents...she lives in Woodbury!)

When the time is printed, the second City Planning meeting and vote will have been held. Then, it goes to the City Council. What I perceive so far is that people don’t really listen to the church congregation, and want what they want.

First, you know yourself. You have to live with your decisions (try as you might to shut them out) and if you would not want to live with the constant threat of break-ins, harassment, sexual perversion, your child’s safety, you have no right to shirk it off onto people you represent but may not live in your neighborhood.

In such a case as Listening House being moved into a densely populated, neighborhood, I see many people making a decision based on the large picture; ‘homelessness exists, let’s show we have a heart.” Early comments from some church congregations included demands that neighbors should ‘fix’ the needs of homeless. State and federal governments have not yet been able to ‘fix’ homelessness, churches and residents of many fairs and believes have attempted since before Christ to ‘fix’ homelessness. Why, now, would a small Dayton’s Bluff neighborhood be expected to ‘fix’ homelessness? It is up to each of us to work toward caring for our neighbor, whether s/he has a home or not. Some will go to work in a drop-in living room, a church food bank, earn a wage or volunteer for several hours...and then go home to a quiet evening. Others will earn their wage at a job and go to a home they used to enjoy, only to pick up human feces, find a passed out body blocking their home entrance, exclaim to a little girl why the man was holding his razor in front of her...and then, instead of fixing supper, make a police report and spend the evening shaking and contemplating move. If you don’t want to be left behind, why would you force it on someone else? This isn’t homelessness. It is about criminal and toxic behavior.

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Statement on the Las Vegas Shooting
Sen. Feng Harsy
Special to the Forum

Tragedies like the shooting in Las Vegas are not unique to this country. It’s time for America and Minnesota to engage in real conversations about how to stop senseless gun violence. It’s time to pass laws that quell the rampant gun violence terrorizing our citizens. Gun violence that is happening all too often at our schools, nightclubs, at baseball games, at concerts, and in our neighborhoods.

It’s time to stop this epidemic of gun violence. As a legislator, tasked with the responsibility of representing and protecting my communities, I must take a stand. We must speak up. Together, we must work toward a common goal and author, lobby, and pass common-sense gun laws to safeguard our citizens.

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Walk on the East Side
Janet Golden
East Side Elders

Raising funds and awareness for East Side Elders has long been a challenge. Anyone who has been involved with a non-profit knows how hard it can be to get the word out about the work they do and ask for financial support. With that in mind, we decided that we were going to do something completely different for our annual fundraiser this year. A Book.

“Walk on the East Side” is a compilation of pictures and stories from residents of St. Paul’s East Side. We are fortunate to have two extraordinarily talented volunteers who have stepped up to create this project.

Photographer Hans Mourtizen and writer Carol MacAllister have spent countless hours walking the East Side to photograph and interview some of the more colorful and interesting residents and locations. You can “meet” your neighbors as they talk about their lives, interests, and backgrounds.

Having only recently relocated to this area, Carol leaped at the opportunity to be involved. “This project has introduced me to my new city and the uniqueness of the East Side,” she said.

Hans Mourtizen, an award winning artist, embraced this project as an opportunity to tell the story of St. Paul’s East Side. It is the story of immigrants seeking their American dream. He knows this story first-hand. He immigrated to St. Paul from Denmark 40 years ago.

The first edition of our book “Walk on the East Side” will be ready for distribution in early November. A copy can be yours for a $20 donation to East Side Elders. Reserve your copy today by calling (651) 683-2326.

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East Side Elders mission is to create a circle of care around the elders of Dayton’s Bluff and surrounding communities, empowering seniors to live safe and independent lives in their homes. For further information on our programs please visit our website at www.EastSideElders.org or call us at (651) 683-2326.

Photographer Hans Mourtizen

East Side Eating – Trumble’s Taste Trek
Forum contributor Steve Trumble has set out to eat at every locally-owned, sit-down restaurant on the East Side. He recently got word that Trumble’s East Side Eating is about to open.

Steve Trumble is a local foodie with a passion for the history of the East Side and a deep appreciation for the culture of the neighborhoods. He is the co-founder of the Dayton’s Bluff District Forum, which is focused on place-making in the area.

“I am always looking for new places to eat in St. Paul. I believe that food is a way to connect with people and learn about their culture,” said Steve Trumble.

“The East Side has some of the best restaurants in the city. I want to share my love for the East Side with others.”

Steve Trumble visited Trumble’s Pub, located at 956 Payne Avenue, on a recent Sunday afternoon. The pub is open daily from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

“I was really impressed with the layout and decor of the pub. It has a classic feel with modern twists. The food was delicious and the service was excellent. I highly recommend it.”

Steve Trumble can be reached at daytonsbluffdistrictforum@gmail.com.
Have Forum, will travel...

Diane May takes an unnecessary break from looking at beautiful scenery in Scotland. Behind her is the Urquart Castle on the shores of Loch (Lake) Ness.

Several readers send us pictures of themselves reading our newspaper on their travels. If you’d like to do the same, please email photos to daytonsbluffdistrictforum@gmail.com.

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Dear Reader,

The Dayton’s Bluff District Forum has been a volunteer-run newspaper since the 1980s, and has always operated on a minimal budget.

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