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September Events

Dundee Day

Saturday September 28th

A full day of food, fun and family friendly entertainment.

7AM to 11AM -- Pancake Feed hosted by the French Bulldog located in the Alegent Parking lot

8:30AM-- Runday Fun Run Hosted by the Healthy Kids Alliance & Wild Hares

10:30AM -- Dundee Day Parade

Following the parade Dundee Bank will host Dundee Street Olympics with games, prizes, giveaways and fun! After the olympics Dundee Bank has booked the band The 4 Strings of Swing with music and dancing for the whole family.

All day Beer Garden & Music

The gate for the evening live music line up will open at 5 PM. There will be live music from 6 PM to 11PM and the Beer Garden will be open until Midnight.

Concerts Continue

Midtown Crossing's popular **End of Summer Concert Series**, presented by the University of Nebraska at Omaha (UNO), will showcase a range of musical talent – from an American Idol contestant to a cherished Omaha institution – in this year's dynamic, "something-for-everyone" lineup.

Held on six consecutive Friday evenings, the End of Summer Concert Series will launch on August 23 with audience favorite Billy McGuigan and his high-powered tribute to some of rock's greatest legends.

The rest of the lineup features:

August 30: American Idol contestant Tim Halperin

September 6: Charlie Worsham & Eric Paslay

September 13: Opera Omaha

September 20: Chris McCarty

September 27: The Sugar Thieves

All performances are free to the public with the venue opening at 5 p.m. Musicians and performers from UNO will serve as the opening act each night beginning at 6:30 p.m. with the headliner taking the stage around 7 p.m.

For more info and other Midtown events visit www.midtownmonitor.com



Dundee Day 2011 photo by BJ Reed

Concerts & Events Continue

Saturdays @ Stinson

September Events

- 12th BrewHAHA- Habitat for Humanity 5pm- 8 pm
- 13th - BCBS - Health & Safety Fair , 11 am - 2 pm
- 15th American Lung Assoc. Corp Cup 8 am - 2 pm
- 22nd American Diabetes Walk 2 pm - 6pm
- 28/29 ARTsarben Art Festival 9 am - 5 pm

All events are in Stinson Park at Aksarben Village.

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Dundee Community Garden Ice Cream Social

The Dundee Community Garden's "Neighbor Garden" is open for all Dundee residents! The next time you need some fresh parsley or basil, or could use a pepper or tomato, stop by the south side of the garden (facing Underwood Ave.) and see if we have what you need. The Neighbor Garden plot is marked with orange stakes, making it easy to know which area neighbors are invited to pick from.

Please visit the DCG's table at Dundee Day on Sept. 28 to purchase some fresh, and very local produce, or perhaps a flower bouquet. We'll also have t-shirts and re-usable mesh produce bags for sale. And look for our giant carrot in the parade--we'll be tossing out mini-carrots while we walk!

Thanks to eCreamery for donating the ice cream for our August Ice Cream Social—the basil and mint flavors, using herbs from the garden, were a hit! About 100 people visited the garden for this event. You can see pictures at facebook.com/DundeeGarden

Thank you to the many community members who have supported, and continue to support, the garden. We are continuing to accept donations as part of our 2013 Growing Roots fundraising campaign. Donations of \$150 and over will earn you a spot on the permanent plaque in the garden. Donate on-line at dundeegarden.org or send checks, made out to DCG, to DCG c/o Jo Bartikoski, 1614 N. 53rd St., Omaha, NE 68104.

Dundee Community Garden is a 501(c)3 organization and all donations are tax-deductible.



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SEPTEMBER 27 THE SUGAR THIEVES

SEPTEMBER 13 OPERA OMAHA



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Mayor Jean Stothert on Her first 100 Days in Office

Omaha Mayor Jean Stothert made history when she became the first woman elected Mayor of Omaha. Join us on Thursday, September 26th as Mayor Stothert talks about her first days in office, the challenges she has faced, and what the future holds.

Mayor Stothert will discuss issues of relevance as she heads into her term. Will having a woman as mayor make a difference? Will party politics change the flavor of our city government? What is the economic outlook for the city? Will crime continue to plague communities?

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THURSDAY, September 26, 2013 12 noon to one p.m.

\$15.00 per person includes lunch Lunch is served beginning at 11:30

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Science Café

Science of regenerative medicine is focus of Sept. 3
Omaha Science Café

The science of regenerative medicine is the focus of the next Omaha Science Café on Tuesday, Sept. 3, at 7 p.m. at the Slowdown, 729 N. 14th St.

Iqbal Ahmad, Ph.D., professor of ophthalmology and visual sciences at the University of Nebraska Medical Center, will discuss the promise and limitations of regenerative medicine, particularly how it relates to eye disease.

Dr. Ahmad is the associate dean of academic affairs and director of postdoctoral education and research. He was trained at Yale University School of Medicine where he studied the development of the brain using retina as its model. Dr. Ahmad's lab at UNMC is at the forefront of stem cell research for treating blindness.

Science Cafés involve a face-to-face conversation with a scientist about current science topics. They are open to everyone (21 and older), and take place in casual settings like pubs and coffeehouses. Each meeting is organized around an interesting topic of conversation. A scientist gives a brief presentation followed by a question-and-answer period.

Pizza will be provided by The Nebraska Coalition for Lifesaving Cures for the first 50 people. For more information about Science Cafes, go to www.unmc.edu/sciencecafe.

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Omaha Women's Health & Wellness Conference

Enriching life, improving health

The 16th annual Omaha Women's Health and Wellness Conference will be held Friday, Oct. 11, at the La Vista Conference Center, 12520 Westport Parkway. The conference will focus on ways to enrich the lives and health of women.

The conference, which is open to the public, will run from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Registration deadline is Oct. 4. The cost of the conference is \$59, which includes continental breakfast, lunch, lectures and exhibits. Continuing nursing education credit is available for an additional \$30.

A variety of health screenings will be offered at no charge, including blood pressure, glaucoma, balance and posture, body mass index, cardiovascular and oral health. Low cost screenings including lipid profile, glucose profile and complete blood count will be available for \$17, and a thyroid-stimulating hormone test will be available for \$7. Flu shots will be offered for \$15.

Keynote speakers are:

· Breakfast session -- "Happy, Healthy and Terrific: Strategies for Creating a Balanced Life," Viv Ewing, Ph.D., president of the Alzheimer's Association Midlands Chapter, addresses the dilemma of not having enough time to get everything done and will share practical strategies for effectively balancing family, career, and self.

· General session -- "Sex, Lies and Videotapes: Women's Sexual Health Across the Lifespan," Renaisa Anthony, M.D., deputy director and assistant professor of the University of Nebraska Medical Center's Center for Reducing Health Disparities, will lead an interactive discussion on women's sexual health across the lifespan from the reproductive to post-menopausal years with information to ensure optimal sexual health.

· Luncheon session -- "Strong, Beautiful You!" Kelly

Fairbanks, Psy.D., clinical psychologist at The Nebraska Medical Center, will include simple thought and behavior strategies that boost self-image by replacing imperfections and insecurities with courage and confidence.

· Closing session -- "Jesus Take the Wheel: Two Hearts Fighting Together," Missy Givens, two-time non-Hodgkins lymphoma fighter, will talk about her triumph over cancer.

Participants will choose from two afternoon breakout sessions that include topics on: positive parenting; death, divorce, breakup, and loss; family rules and roles to follow or not to follow during a health crisis; realistic mealtime; respect and rights in relationships; bringing intimate partner violence to light; and improving the doctor-patient relationship.

For more details about the conference or for a registration form, call the Olson Center for Women's Health at (402) 559-6345, or log on to www.OmahaWomensHealthandWellness.org. Conference updates also can be found on the conference's Facebook page.

The conference is sponsored by the Olson Center for Women's Health, the University of Nebraska Medical Center, The Nebraska Medical Center, the University of Nebraska at Omaha and Wellness Council of the Midlands.

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Green Omaha Coalition

Natural Legacy Conference

When: Wednesday, September 4th and Thursday, September 5th from 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Where: Lied Lodge in Nebraska City

The 3rd Annual Natural Legacy Conference at the Lied Lodge – located on the 260-acre Arbor Day farm in Nebraska City – is a great place to learn about current research and projects and connect with conservationists. Presenters from Nebraska and beyond will share their results, and wildlife biologists will be available to take you on a half-day guided tour to demonstrate habitat improvements in the scenic woodlands of the Missouri River in southeastern Nebraska. Thanks to the Nebraska Environmental Trust, this conference is FREE!

To view the schedule of presenters and to register, visit:
<http://shopoutdoornebraska.ne.gov/Events/>

Heartland Active Transportation Summit 2013 - SAVE THE DATE!

Early Bird Pricing Ends September 17!

When: Friday, September 27th starting at 8:30 a.m.
Where: MCC Fort Omaha Campus, Swanson Conference Center (5300 N 30th St.)

Registration for the Heartland Active Transportation Summit 2013 is open! Now in its third year, this year's Summit will focus on Parking for Livable Communities, with a full day's worth of speakers and events. Join in for what promises to be a great day of learning and networking.

For more information and to register, visit:
<http://hats.mapacog.org/about/>

Benson Community Garden Event

Community Garden seeks Bands, Silent Auction items for annual Oktoberfest celebration

For their third year, the Benson Community Garden will present “Benson Oktoberfest” in September. This year the group scheduled the event for Saturday, September 14th starting at 5:00 p.m. Admission is \$10, which includes live music, bratwurst, side dishes, a silent auction and more. German beer and refreshments will be available in their enclosed biergarten tent. All ages are welcome, but those under 21 years of age must be accompanied by a parent.

“We are booking local musicians and bands to entertain the attendees,” said Kurt Goetzinger, garden founder. “For our silent auction, we are seeking local businesses to donate items and gift certificates.”

Funds raised from the Oktoberfest event will support outreach and programming at the garden.

Founded in 2011, the Benson Community Garden has become one of Omaha's more active and notable community gardens. The space includes 36 plots for individuals to grow their own fresh fruits and vegetables. In 2012 the organization started the “Neighbor Garden” which features nearly 400 square feet of vegetables for area residents. An “Earth Stage” was built to provide a venue for live music, cooking demonstrations and more.

Traditionally, Oktoberfest is a 16-day festival celebrating beer held annually in Munich, Bavaria, Germany. Running from late September to the first weekend in October. It is one of the most famous events in Germany and is the world's largest fair, with more than 6 million people from around the world attending the event every year.

WHAT: Benson Oktoberfest
WHEN: Saturday, September 14, 2013
WHERE: Benson Community Garden,
1302 North 60th
WHY: Nonprofit Fundraiser
WHO: Open to all residents
INFO: goetzinger2@cox.net

View Updates and Other
Community Affairs /Calendar Listings
Online at www.midtownmonitor.com

Local Restaurant bringing a bit of Chicago to Midtown Crossing

An authentic taste of Chicago is coming to midtown Omaha and Midtown Crossing this fall with the opening of locally-owned Chicago Dawg House, a restaurant that prides itself on being the real deal, “Omaha’s only true Chicago-style restaurant.” “It’s as authentic as it can be – the hot dogs, the buns, the Italian beef and the Gonnella rolls we put it on all come from Chicago, as do the pickles, the neon relish, the sport peppers, darn near everything,” said Kelly Keegan who owns Chicago Dawg House with his wife, Regina.

They purchased the restaurant – currently located near 108th & W. Maple Road – from its previous owner in March of 2012. Kelly said moving to the new Midtown Crossing location – 3157 Farnam St. – is simply going to be better for business.

“There’s no foot traffic and there’s no visibility from 108th & Maple,” he said. He added, “There’s a vibe down there a Midtown Crossing. I feel it. I’ve met everyone at Midtown. It truly is a team. They all work together to ensure each other’s success. It’s going to be fun being part of that group.”

Kelly is promising Dawg House fans an upgraded, affordable and family-friendly experience. At 3850 sq. ft., the Midtown Crossing location is 1850 sq. ft. larger than the current spot.

“I’m going to triple my seating. We will also have face-to-face seating, which we don’t have at our current store,” he said.

The new restaurant will also include a dugout-style seating area and some stadium-style seating with actual seats from Wrigley, Rosenblatt and Riverfront Stadiums. The décor will remain Cubs inspired.

“You’re going to think you’re at Wrigley Field, that’s the goal. It’s all Cubs’ colors,” Kelly said. “We’re re-doing the mural (from the current location) so it has that outfield feel to it. ... I’m going to have a flagpole in there. When the Cubs win, the ‘W’ flag goes up.”

A midtown resident, Kelly was born and raised in Omaha, but said he fell in love with Chicago fare during extended business trips to the city.

“I learned that Chicago food rocks. After a year and a half, I gained 40 pounds,” he laughed.

Kelly said he anticipates an October 1 grand opening. In the meantime, look for the Chicago Dawg House “Weiner Wagon” at Midtown Crossing’s community events, including Jazz on the Green and the End of Summer Concert Series.

Work Moves Forward on Dodge Street Sidewalks

The City began work to reconstruct the sidewalks along Dodge Street from 50th Street to 52nd Street in August. The \$500,000 project will install new curbing (currently there is no curb along most of the street) and a widening of the sidewalk making it safer for pedestrians. The widening will require new



retaining walls and the replacement of driveways and stairs. This has been needed for many years and will be a great improvement for the neighborhood. In addition, Dodge Street is scheduled to be re-surfaced in the coming months so plan on more construction traffic delays.

Dave Schnizel
DMPA President

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Owners Colin and Jessica Duggan owners have opened a great new restarant in downtown. And the food is fresh, locally grown and at an unbelievable price point for a lunch in downtown Omaha: Most items ring up for less than \$10.

Hours: Monday through Friday 11 a.m. to 8 p.m., Sunday brunch 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., closed Saturday. Dinner service on weekdays begins at 5 p.m.

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