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Letter From the Presidents

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President's Letter by Sara Nelson

Is anyone else so glad August is over? It was just a wild month full of ups and downs and unknowns, especially for parents, restaurant owners, health care workers and pretty much everyone. In our household we started remote learning last month. Half of our dining room is now a Fourth Grade classroom and the other half a Kindergarten classroom. Overall it is going surprisingly well. The teachers are amazing and they are doing such a great job at adapting and making the most out of this experience. The kids are doing great with the adjustment as well. They definitely miss seeing their friends in person but do love seeing familiar faces in their virtual classroom. During the school day while I help the older kids, our four year old hangs out with my husband in his home office. He's a very independent child who doesn't mind playing with Legos by himself, but of course the parent guilt is real. He should be in some super enriching Montessori program right now learning how to speak a second language and counting to one thousand on a number board. But instead he's getting really good at practicing his Darth Vader voice and light saber skills. We're hoping he'll be fine, I'm sure he will (fingers crossed).

I love hearing stories about what people are doing to make the most of their pandemic life. We have had a lot of dates as a family during this time, which is something we only did once or twice a month pre-pandemic. In this pandemic life we'll order takeout from one of our favorite restaurants and put a picnic blanket in the yard at least once a week. It's way less stressful than taking three kids to a restaurant; if they drop food in the grass, who cares. We also have these great plastic wine glass tumblers that won't break if they get kicked with a flailing child's leg. I know this time is hard for everyone but there really is so much silver lining! I'd love to hear what you are doing to keep yourself sane during this time! You can email me or share your story with us on Facebook. Please stay safe and wear a mask.



If you would like a Dundee mask or tote bag look on page 8.



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President's Message

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Transit Oriented Development News

The Planning Department took into account the comments submitted concerning the Transit Oriented Development Land Use Map and have released their revised version. The DMPA is very pleased with the revised version and has submitted a letter of approval to the Planning Board. The Planning Board Public Hearing will be held Wednesday, September 2nd. After it is approved by the planning board, it will be presented to the City Council. A huge Thank You to all neighbors that took the time to fill out the public comment form or send in an email. Your concerns were heard! As we requested, much of Dundee that was proposed to be TOD-3-MNR was revised to TOD-4-SFA. Woo! We are excited to continue to work with the great people in the City Planning Department. Please see the attached image in this newsletter of the revised map.

Dundee Community Garden

The folks at the DCG will be installing a produce drop off box to allow neighbors to share their excess produce. What a great idea! You can read more about that in the DCG news in this newsletter.

That's all to this newsletter. It's definitely a little slimmer than others! We hope you continue to stay safe and support each other and your local businesses. Take care everyone!


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Dundee Community Garden News:

Fresh Produce Donation Box

By Mary Green

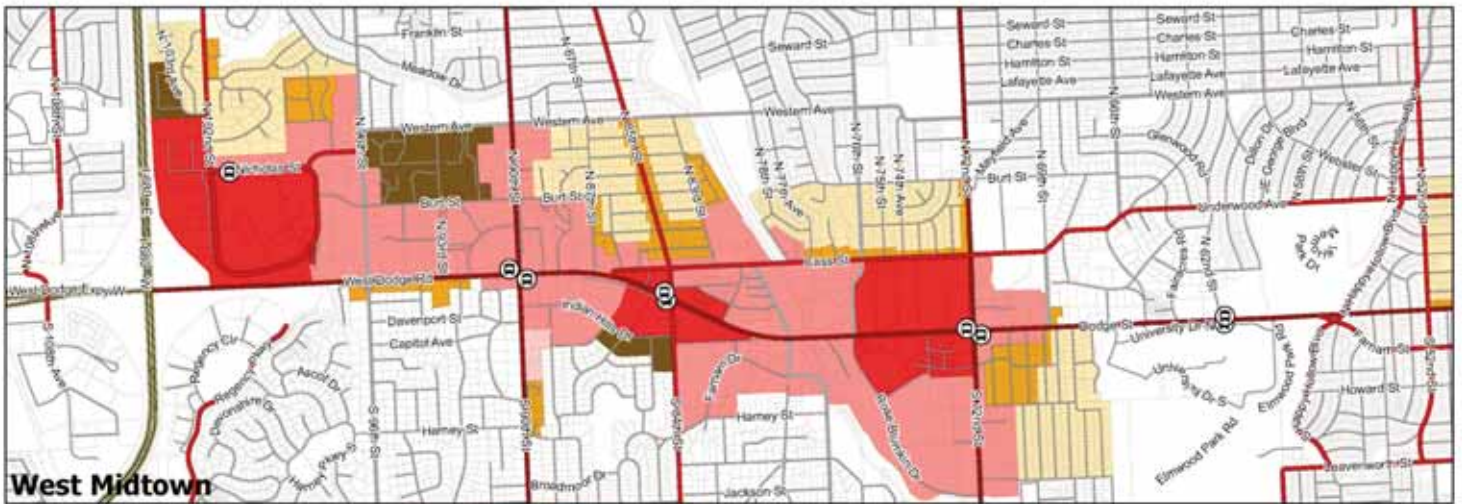
Our garden plots have never looked so well-tended as this summer, when vacations were scaled back, trips were canceled, and the public turned to gardening with a vengeance. Our members have plenty of produce growing in their plots, and our donation beds are producing loads of yellow squash, tomatoes, green beans, collards and kale, which we donate weekly across the street to the residents of the Underwood Tower.

Coming very soon (if not already here by time this newsletter reaches your mailbox) is a “Fresh Produce Donation Box” where donations of fresh produce can be dropped off and made available to anyone in the neighborhood. This box will be located in the Community Garden close to our “Little Free Library” along Underwood Ave., and operates in the same manner. When neighborhood gardeners find themselves with an excess of cucumbers, or a surfeit of tomatoes, you can drop them off in the donation box, and know that someone else will gladly take them! Likewise, our garden members can donate excess produce from their plots. We hope this will be an easy and convenient way to redistribute extra produce to those who can really use it, and make fresh produce more widely available to all our neighbors.

And while you’re in the neighborhood, don’t forget to check out what’s growing in our “help yourself” Neighbor Garden area, right along Underwood Ave. We’ve got squash, beans, tomatoes, peppers, eggplant, and many herbs available for pick-your-own harvesting.

The Dundee Community Garden is a great place to see many species of butterflies, and September is a great month for seeing monarchs. Please plan to visit the community garden soon—whether to look for butterflies, see what’s blooming in the flower beds, donate produce or help yourself to some self-pick produce, or just to check out the plots and enjoy some time in a beautiful green space, we hope to see you there!





Transit Oriented Development (TOD)
TOD SUBDISTRICT
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Land Use Map
July 27, 2020

- TOD Sub Districts
District Name
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Author: Alice Henneman, MS, RDN, UNL Lancaster County Extension

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Wet each tomato with water, rub its surface, rinse it with running water, and dry it with a paper towel.

After washing, cut away the stem scar and surrounding area and discard it before slicing or chopping the tomato.

If you prefer to freeze peeled tomatoes, you can wash the tomatoes and then dip them in boiling water for about 1 minute or until the skins split.

Place the tomatoes on cookie sheets and freeze.

Once frozen, transfer the tomatoes from the cookie sheets into freezer bags or other containers. Seal tightly.



Storage time

To extend the time frozen foods maintain good quality:

Package foods in material intended for freezing.

Keep the temperature of the freezer at 0 degrees Fahrenheit or below.

It is generally recommended frozen vegetables be eaten within about 8 months for best quality.



Angelic Troublemakers and Immigration: How Faith Leaders Use Ritual as a Human Rights Tool

Join us for the 2020 Goldstein Lecture on Human Rights. This year's speaker, Prof. Najeeba Syeed will interrogate, and trouble, the idea that civility is the primary goal of interfaith action and dialogue. In her lecture she will offer examples of how religious leaders and communities have developed ritual protests as a form of contemporary sacred resistance to inhumane migration policies.

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This virtual event is free to attend, but registration is required: [REGISTER HERE](#)

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Najeeba Syeed is Associate Professor in Muslim and Interreligious Studies at Chicago Theological Seminary. She previously taught at Claremont School of Theology and founded its Center for Global Peacebuilding. Syeed is recognized as a leader in peacebuilding and social justice based research. Her articles have focused on faith-based conflict resolution, restorative justice, and intersectional analysis of state violence and structural racism. Most recently she co-edited the volume *Critical Perspectives on Interreligious Education: Experiments in Empathy* (Brill, 2020). In teaching, she has designed courses on interreligious education and interfaith leadership, dialogue, and peacebuilding.

In community engagement, Syeed has received awards for her work reducing violence in schools and interracial gang conflicts, as well as being named the Southern California Mediation Association's "Peacemaker of the Year" in 2007. She has facilitated conflict resolution processes regarding school, community, environmental, and public controversies, and has provided training on theologies of peacemaking and nonviolent protest to dozens of organizations and faith based groups.

A sought-after writer and speaker, Prof. Syeed is a regular blogger for Muslim Voices, [feminist.com](#), and [Huffington Post](#) and has been featured in publications and outlets including the *Los Angeles Times*, NPR, PBS, and the Tavis Smiley show.

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"\$327,500 "	657 J E George Bl	4	3	1	2 Story	"2,172"
"\$355,000 "	5610 Howard St	3	3	2	2.5 Story	"2,400"
"\$361,000 "	521 S 51st Street	3	3	1	1.5 Story	"2,528"
"\$365,000 "	5008 Chicago St	4	4	2	2.5 Story	"2,629"
"\$410,000 "	615 S 55 Street	4	4	2	2.5 Story	"2,308"
"\$415,000 "	503 S 57th Street	4	2	2	1.5 Story	"2,465"
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"\$360,000 "	710 N 58th Street	2	2	1	2 Story	"1,580"
"\$361,000 "	521 S 51st Street	3	3	1	1.5 Story	"2,528"
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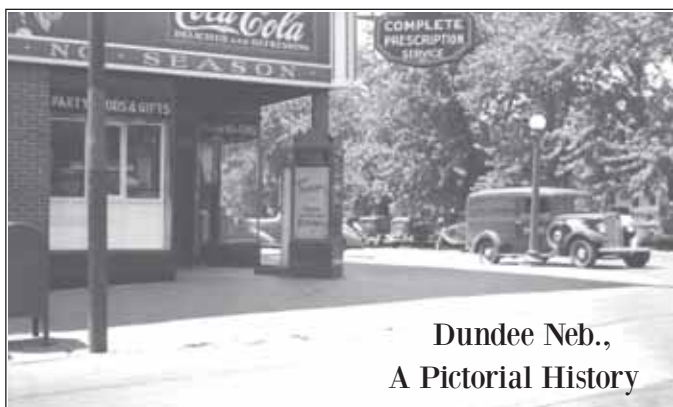
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