

JOIN US WEDNESDAY, JULY 4<sup>TH</sup> FOR

# 4<sup>th</sup> in the Park: Freedom & Flags & Firetrucks & Classic Cars & Lawn Mower Brigade.

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The 4<sup>th</sup> in the Park is put on by The Fourth in the Park Committee & sponsored by The Saint Anthony Park Community Foundation, St. Paul Parks & Recreation & YOU!



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Dear Neighbor,

It's almost that special time of year again, where you pull out your flag, grab your lawn chair and put on that red, white and blue...**the annual 4<sup>th</sup> in the Park parade and picnic are almost here!**

**This year will be the 71<sup>st</sup> anniversary** and we'll be adding new, exciting elements to the day including: Back to the 4<sup>th</sup> happy hour, food trucks, new bands in the parade, improved sound system and free t-shirts. For the second year, the kid's zone will be located on the south end of the park and will include: face painting, ponies, an inflatable obstacle course and races.

The full schedule of events is inside but here are a few highlights of the day:

- ★ **Fun run:** Start your day with a 2 or 4 mile race in the neighborhood at 8:30 a.m. (register at 8 a.m. at Langford Recreation Center)
- ★ **Parade:** At 11 a.m., the eclectic and vibrant parade winds its way down Como Avenue, starting from Luther Place. Neighborhood and reunion groups, nonprofits and friends are encouraged to enter and gather at Luther Place and Grantham Street. Kids can ride their brightly decorated bikes, trikes and wagons as the parade finale; participants gather at 10:30 a.m. at Ned's Park Service, 2277 Como Avenue. *Also at Ned's, get your free U.S. flag and free custom-designed 4<sup>th</sup> in the Park shirt, while supplies last!*
- ★ **Park activities:** The parade ends in Langford Park, where speeches, music, pony rides, volleyball, horseshoes, bean bag toss, tennis and more await. Or just relax with your family and friends over a picnic.
- ★ **Food Trucks:** New this year we will be adding several food trucks options which will be stationed around the east side of the park. The Saint Anthony Park Booster Club will also be selling refreshments on the north side of the tennis courts and down by the bandstand.

**As always, we need YOU to put this event on! The 4<sup>th</sup> in the Park would not exist without the support of our generous neighbors**, along with our local businesses and organizations. With insurance, mailing fees, music and parade permits, the estimated costs of the day's activities totals around **\$18,000**. We sincerely appreciate any donation you are able to make.

**There are several easy ways to donate:**

- ★ **Online at:** [4thinthepark.org/donate-now](http://4thinthepark.org/donate-now)
- ★ **Mail donation in return envelope to:** 4<sup>th</sup> in the Park Committee, PO Box 8062, St. Paul, MN 55108
- ★ **Drop off donation in return envelope at the information desk at Sunrise Bank.**

*Join hundreds of your neighbors and local businesses in supporting this community-building event!*

**The 4<sup>th</sup> would be nothing without our fabulous team of volunteers!** Sign up now for a variety of tasks and be part of the best 4<sup>th</sup> of July event in Saint Paul. **Sign up at: [tinyurl.com/4thParkVolunteer](http://tinyurl.com/4thParkVolunteer)** and see what duties are available or contact us at [4thinthepark@gmail.com](mailto:4thinthepark@gmail.com).

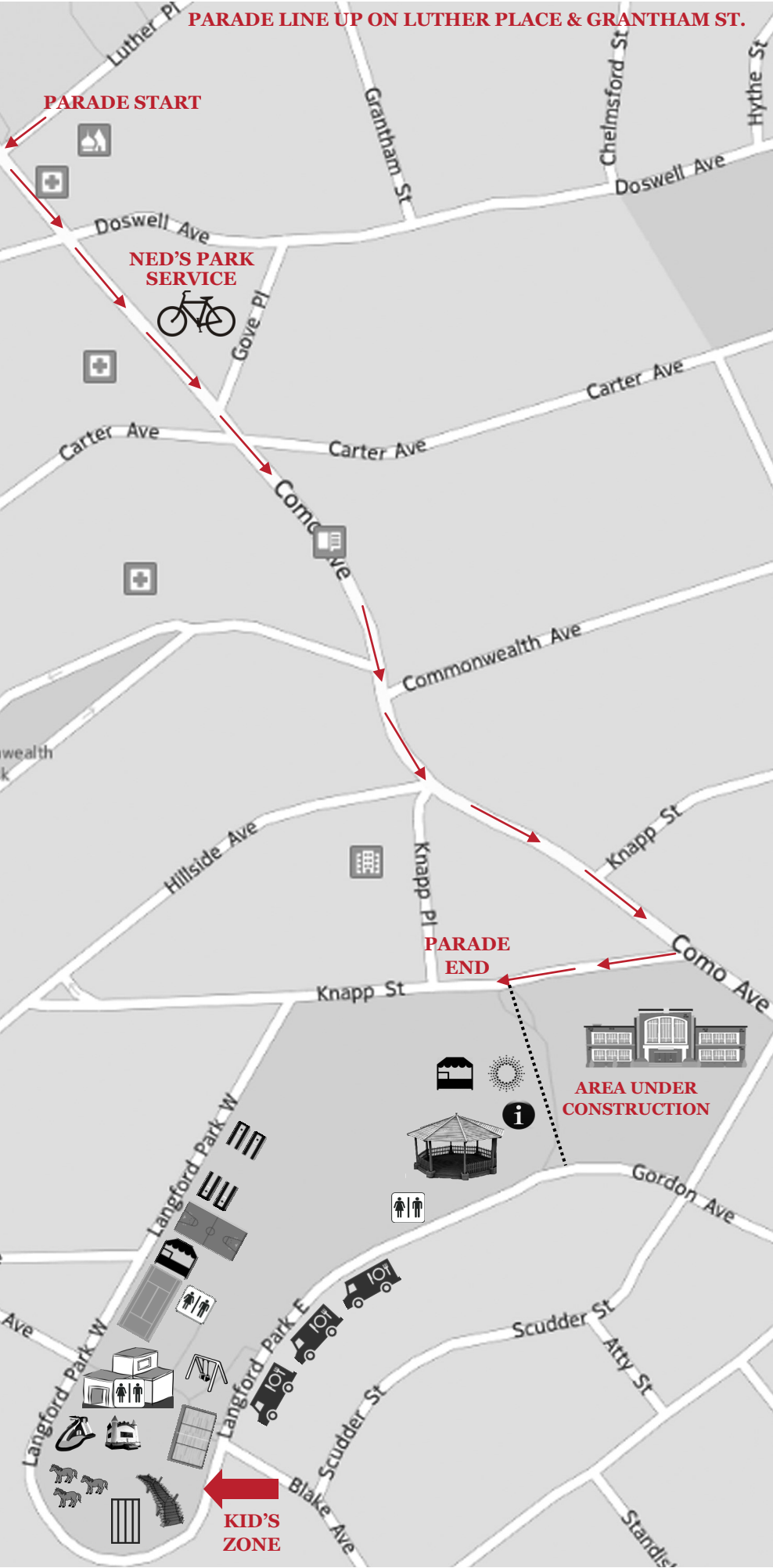
**If you want to take part in the parade** contact Marie Lister, Parade Coordinator, at [list0019@umn.edu](mailto:list0019@umn.edu) or 612.270.3984.

So plan on a great 4<sup>th</sup>! Run a race. Decorate your bike. Shake a politician's hand. Visit with old friends. Relax with family. Eat a popsicle or three. Play some horseshoes. Listen to great music. We hope to see you there!

With sincere thanks,

A series of five handwritten signatures in black ink, arranged horizontally. The signatures are for Josh Becerra, Jeanne Hansen, Colleen A. Healy, Marie Lister, and Emma Seeley.

Josh Becerra, Jeanne Hansen, Colleen Healy, Marie Lister & Emma Seeley



Map Key:

- Parade Route
- Meeting spot for kids with decorated bikes & wagons
- Langford Recreation Center
- Booster Club Refreshments
- Bandstand
- Restrooms
- Information Booth
- SUNRISE BANKS Booth
- Bouncy Obstacle Course
- Bouncy Castle
- Kid's Races
- Boy Scout's Bridge
- Pony Rides
- Tennis Courts
- Horseshoe Pits
- Volleyball Courts
- Basketball Court
- Playground
- SAP Elementary
- Food Trucks

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

- 8 a.m.** **LANGFORD PARK RACES**  
Registration at the Recreation Building (\$.50 registration fee). Races start at 8:30.  
4 miles: Divisions for men, women, & masters (40 & over).  
2 miles: Joggers and juniors (15 & younger).
- 10:30 a.m.** **GRAND PARADE ASSEMBLY**  
Children's bikes, trikes, wagons, etc. assemble at Ned's Park Service. Bands, vehicles and marching units assemble at Luther Place.
- 11 a.m.** **GRAND PARADE BEGINS**  
Proceeding from Luther Place, down Como Avenue to Langford Park via Knapp Avenue. Parade includes color guard, neighborhood units, bands, floats, VIPs, music, kids and much more!
- 12 p.m.** **BANDSTAND PROGRAM**  
Following the parade, a program including the patriotic essay winners and music from the Saint Anthony Park Community Band will take place at the bandstand in Langford Park.
- REFRESHMENT STAND & FOOD TRUCKS OPEN**  
The Saint Anthony Park Booster Club will be selling beverages, chips and other refreshments in locations throughout the park. Hungry? Eat from a variety of food trucks lined up along Langford Park East.
- HORSESHOES, VOLLEYBALL, BEAN BAG TOSS & TENNIS TOURNAMENTS**  
Registration and check in is 12pm to 1pm. Pre-register by calling Langford Park Recreation Center at 651.298.5765. Tournaments begins sharply at 1 p.m.
- 1 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.** **PIG'S EYE JASS BAND & LIGHT OF THE MOON PERFORM AT THE BANDSTAND**
- 1 p.m. – 4 p.m.** **PONY RIDES & KID'S ACTIVITIES**  
Because of construction to the elementary school all kid's activities have moved down to the south side of the park behind the recreation center. Kids can get their face painted, go for a pony ride or take a turn on the inflatable obstacle course!
- 2:30 p.m. – 4 p.m.** **RACES & CONTESTS**  
Family fun events for kids of all ages! Ribbons for all participants.
- DJ PERFORMS AT BANDSTAND**
- 4 p.m. – 6 p.m.** **\*\*BACK TO THE 4<sup>TH</sup> HAPPY HOUR\*\***  
**New this year!** Keep the celebration going at the Sunrise Banks parking lot on the corner of Como Avenue and Doswell Avenue where you'll be able to once again hear the tunes of the Rockin' Hollywoods and enjoy some brews from Rush River Brewing Company.

