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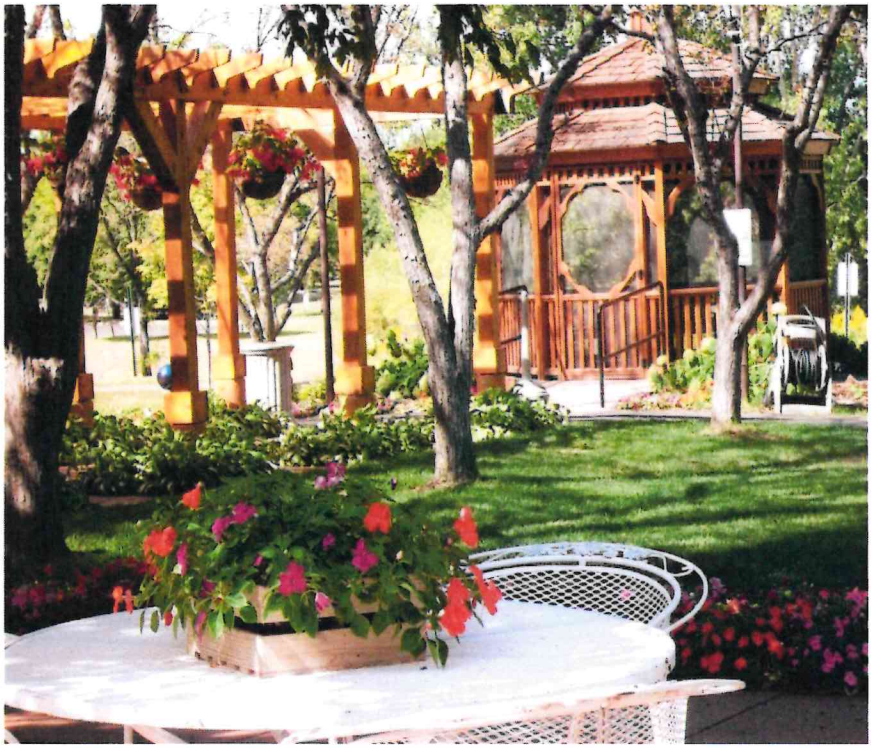

LEE SQUARE COOPERATIVE COMMITTEE NEWS & UPDATES BY MEMBERS

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Management Report

Hello Lee Square!

Summer is here and our 250th birthday is just around the corner. I hope you are enjoying the beautiful weather. Below are a couple of reminders from the office:

-The organic recycling program has ended. Please turn in your container to the office.

-Hopefully, you have had a chance to look through the recycling note that was sent to you recently. Our waste provider will penalize us when we contaminate the recyclables. In particular, do not put plastic or paper bags in the recycle bins.

-Members, when transporting your coffee back to your unit, please cover it. We have been seeing many coffee spills in the hallways and in front of elevators.

-When using the elevators, please use patience when pressing the buttons as frequent pushing will confuse the electronics.

-We currently have one unit available for sale, Unit 318, two bedrooms with a den for $70,000.

-Security is our number one priority. Always be mindful of people entering our building. The front door is critical. When you are entering or leaving, be aware of anyone behind you that might try to slip in. We need to know that they are here for legitimate reasons. When entering the garage, make sure your lights are on. When entering or leaving the garage, please wait for the door to close behind you. For everyone's safety, the speed is no more than 5 miles per hour.

Happy 4th of July!

The J Team

Hello!

My name is **LIEGH** and I will tell you a bit about myself when I was 20 years of age.

I grew up in a different day and era when young ladies strolled about with their parasols and small purses. We wore fancy dresses and entered society at a debutante ball.

One of my hobbies was bird watching and I especially liked **robins** because of their cheerful call and "can do" attitude. I like to walk about hill and **dale** looking for them and other interesting birds.

On some days, I could be found in the **square**, visiting with friends and, perhaps, sharing a cup of tea and a delicious scone.

I was an avid reader and especially enjoyed mysteries.

I will be gracing your lovely library for many days to come and look forward to meeting everyone. I have been told that very nice people live here and they tend to be **cooperative** in nature.

Choose a good book now because reading is good for the brain…. That is what my mother and father always told me and I totally believe it.

Tata

Linda Cherra

Treasurer's Notes

Treasurer's Report – July SCoop2026

Operating Income

May: May was a fairly quiet month financially speaking. Lee Square Cooperative operating income as of year to date May 31, 2026 is $3,411. Again this is in line with our goal of a balanced budget for the year.

Reserve/30 year plan notes:

The reserve fund balance as of May 31, 2026 was $1,515,730.

- In May, $15,348 was used from Reserve Fund for repairs and refurbishments.
  - Air conditioners $ 3,063
  - Unit repairs and replacements $12,285

This report is a snapshot of our current standing. I'd be happy to answer more specific questions. Please contact me with any questions or suggestions about what you'd like to learn about the Finances.

Submitted by Beth Ampe, Treasurer
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DONATIONS

A full basket in the library always makes me smile. I am taking your donations to Northport a couple times a month, each load averaging about 150 + pounds.

One item which always in short supply: DIAPERS They are so "spendy" these days and so essential. If you are able to purchase a package (any brand, any size) it will be much appreciated.

With HOT summer months looming, pick up a box of Freeze Pops. They are pretty cheap, and Northpoint staff will divide them up to share with several families.

Thank you again for your generosity. If you'd like to ride with me some time, I'd love the company.

Marsha Jarvela

Activities Committee Updates

Reminder: Activities Committee meets the first Tuesday of the month at 2 pm in the library.

Lee Square members enjoyed Robbinsdale City Band performing in our backyard on June 18, Root beer floats were served by our Activities Committee to 50 members and neighbors who follow the band.

July 4th celebration will be at 5:30; Phyllis will again be stepping in to grill hamburgers. Please join us for burgers, potato salad, coleslaw and watermelon. Cost is $5 per person.

Upcoming events . . .

· NO July Activities Committee Meeting

· August 4 5:30 pm National Night Out

· Sept 7 5:30 pm Labor Day bar-b-que

Activities Committee meets the first Tuesday of each month at 2:00 pm in the library. Join us to learn how we plan our events and how you can help. Help can be occasional or on a regular basis.

We are always looking for new ideas! If you have any questions or ideas, talk to any committee member.

Donna Herman, Chair dldgherman@gmail.com, text or leave a message 763-458-1955, drop a note at #348

If you borrowed any flour sack dish towels, please return to the basket under the serving line. Thanks!

Help / Volunteers Needed

1. Overseeing the SCoop, monthly Newsletter

2. Overseeing Lee Squares Web Page

3. Activities & Entertainer Scout, help finding and booking entertainers and field trips.

Building & Grounds Update

Happy 250th Birthday America!

Building and Grounds meets the first Wednesday of each month at 2:30pm in the library. Please feel free to sit in on a meeting. We would love to have more people involved.

The grounds are looking fantastic! The garden club has the front entrance looking wonderful with all of the flowers. Thank you! The recent rains have also really helped to keep everything lush and green.
Thanks to the office for sending out a detailed list of what is and what is not recyclable. Lee Square is being fined for placing non-recyclables into the recycling bins. This could have an impact on what you will be paying in monthly dues. Just last week there were sheets of Styrofoam in the west side recycling bin. Styrofoam is NOT recyclable. Nor are napkins & paper towels, plastic bags and chip bags. IF IN DOUBT, THROW IT OUT!

The organics program has been dropped in the building, but Robbinsdale does have an organics drop off site. If interested, find more information at the Robbinsdale site: https://robbinsdalemn.com/377/Organics-Recycling---Drop-Off
or search the web using "Robbinsdale Organics Dropoff".

We are looking at having the cracks in the parking lot repaired this year. There will be more information to come as we evaluate bids. Once this is scheduled cars will need to be removed for a day. No date has been set yet.

Fourth of July Humor: What do you serve with cheese on Independence Day? Firecrackers!

Submitted by Ed Ampe

AFTER HOURS INFO

In Case of After-Hours Emergency at Lee Square

Police/Fire/Medical Call #911

Maintenance Emergency #612-381-8600
Listen to the recording and follow directions. Emergencies are defined as Fire, Flood, Security Issues, Elevator Problems or no Heat. All other maintenance requests can be entered the following day in the office!

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Shelley's Home Number # 763593-0349

Garden Update…

Next Garden Club Meeting will be July 14th at 6:30 p.m.

Call Harry Hoks if you have any questions 612-432-2973

July Birthdays

2	Vilma Atienza
4	Suzanne Howe
7	Ed Ampe
8	Pauline Peterson
8	Duane Peterson
9	Cheryl Lindley
18	Phyllis Aldrich
19	Anita Mcglaughlin
21	Daniel Struss
24	Dale Behrens
29	Nancy Novak