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Making the Dream a Reality



Unity Day and Restoration Day in July!

Restoration Day and Unity Day are right around the corner! On July 6, Restoration Day, an evening vigil will be held at the Philando Castile Community Peace Garden at 8:35 p.m. On July 7, the Unity Day BBQ will take place at Falcon Heights City Hall at 5:30 p.m. Please make sure to join the family, friends and supporters of Philando Castile on both days to honor Philando's legacy and continue to strive for peace and unity in the community. Everyone is welcome!
More event information can be found at: https://www.philandocastilefoundation.org/

Sanborn Park Could Be Renamed

Philando Castile Park

According to a recent article from the Minnesota local Sun Post, there is a possibility of renaming Sanborn Park in Robbinsdale to Philando Castile Park. The newly approved Robbinsdale Human Rights Commission re-naming policy could be used to rename the park, but no decision has been made as of yet. The renaming of this park would be a step towards bringing the community together and helping to spread Philando's legacy across the Twin Cities.

To read more from the article, visit:
https://www.hometownsource.com/sun_post/community/crystal_robbinsdale/sanborn-park-could-become-philando-castile-park/article_f2b2760e-0bc5-11ef-9ee6-e381d3ed5a9d.html

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Event: Soul Food Festival

Join the Soul Food Festival on June 29 from 4-8 p.m. hosted by the Black Market! The Black Market is a marketplace for black-owned businesses to come together and connect with the local community. Come for food, fun, and great music and it's free and open to the public.

For more information, visit the Black Market Facebook event page.
https://www.facebook.com/events/24457062063937682/



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Juneteenth – A Celebration of Freedom

On June 19, 1865, over 250,000 slaves were freed by the US Army in Galveston Bay, Texas. This historical day became a federal holiday in 2021 to remind us of the adversity and hardship that the Black community endured during the Civil War. Today we celebrate the freedom and unity of this great community and promote peace for all.

EVENT: Fort Snelling will be hosting Juneteenth tours to learn more about the early Black communities that were freed and/or enslaved. The US Infantry “Buffalo Soldiers” were stationed here, including Dred and Harriet Scott before they sued for their freedom. Learn more about the journey to freedom and how many of the freed soldiers made the Twin Cities their permanent home after the Civil War. Tours will be held on June 19 from 10am-4pm.

For more information, visit: https://www.mnhs.org/events/1622

The Meaning Behind the Sculptures

Have you walked through the Philando Castile Peace Garden and noticed the large metal sculptures? These sculptures are actually West African Adinkra symbols. Each symbol represents its own guiding principle, and most commonly signify a tribute to Philando. Here are two examples, and more will be featured in future newsletters.





Join the Philando Castile Community Peace Garden on Social Media

Find the Philando Castile Peace Garden on Facebook - Philando Castile Peace Garden and on Instagram - @philandocastilepeacegarden.
Learn more about the Peace Garden and get information on upcoming events.

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