

Celebrating the start of summer



Summer kicked off in high style with parades in Northeast and Columbia Heights the week of June 21. Northeast led the way with the Celebrate Northeast parade Tuesday evening. Heights followed with its Jamboree Parade on Friday and Carnival which ran Thursday through Sunday. More photos at MyNortheaster.com and our Facebook. Top left: The Patriots Band (St. Anthony and Spring Lake Park high schools) did a little dance on Central Avenue during the Northeast parade. Right: The Edison Tomcat rode on a float in a rocking chair, reminding neighbors of Edison's upcoming 100-year anniversary. (Photos by Alex Schlee)

Middle left: Marlaine Szurek and Dave Szurek watch the Amery, Wisc., High School marching band. The Jamboree parade is a longtime tradition for them and their family; they moved to Columbia Heights in 1964, and their children have been Junior Royalty. Right: Haeley Johnson played carnival games after she said "Yes!" to Lions Club president Andrew Macko, who stopped the parade on 40th Avenue to propose to her. (Photos by Karen Kraco)

Bottom left: A young firefighter had a different view of the parade. Right: The Columbia Heights High School lacrosse team was out in force. (Photos by Cynthia Sowden)

