

5:30 Social Hour

6:00 Welcome

The Saint Paul District Council System
Mayor Chris Coleman

6:15 Keynote Presentation

Harry C. Boyte, Senior Fellow at the Humphrey Institute, founder and co-director of the Center for Democracy and Citizenship, and a member of the graduate school faculty at the University of Minnesota

6:30 2008 Volunteer Recognition and Presentation of Certificates

Council President Kathy Lantry

*The evening's musical entertainment is provided by
Qaib Dib and Logan Moua.*

Thanks to all those who have contributed to the success of this event, and to all our great neighborhoods in Saint Paul!

Neighborhood Honor Roll

Keynote

Harry Boyte

Harry C. Boyte is a Senior Fellow at the Humphrey Institute, founder and co-director of the Center for Democracy and Citizenship, and a member of the graduate school faculty at the University of Minnesota. From 1993 to 1995, Boyte was national coordinator for the New Citizenship, a cross-partisan confederation of higher education, philanthropic, and civic groups which worked with the White House Domestic Policy Council to analyze the gap between citizens and government and to propose solutions. He is a member of the eight person Civic Driven Change Initiative of the Institute of Social Studies in The Hague.

For twenty years, Dr. Boyte has helped to organize and direct action research partnerships and projects aimed at developing practice-based theory for what works to engage citizens in public life and is an architect of the Center's "public work" conceptual framework for citizenship action, which has gained international recognition for its theoretical and practical innovations. Boyte is the founder of Public Achievement, an international civic and political education initiative for young people now in hundreds of communities in 12 countries. Boyte has authored eight books on democracy, citizenship, and community organizing. He has published in more than 70 publications and his political commentary has appeared on CBS Evening and Morning News and National Public Radio.

In the 1960s, Boyte was a Field Secretary for the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, the organization directed by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., during the civil rights movement. His Ph.D. is in social and political thought from the Union Institute.
