

LSP's 'Celebrating the Past-Moving into the Future' Event to Feature MN Secretary of State Mark Ritchie Aug. 2 in Minneapolis

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MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.— Minnesota Secretary of State Mark Ritchie will be a featured speaker at the Land Stewardship Project's "Celebrating the Past-Moving into the Future" event on Thursday, Aug. 2, from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., at Saint Joan of Arc Church in Minneapolis.

The event will open with a local foods dinner followed by a program focused on the accomplishments and future efforts of the Land Stewardship Project's policy and organizing work (www.landstewardshipproject.org/programs.html#new_vision_for_ag). Tickets are \$10 (children under 7 are free). To order your tickets, contact Mike McMahon at 612-722-6377 or mcmahon@landstewardshipproject.org.

This is one in a series of events the Land Stewardship Project (LSP) is holding during 2007 to celebrate its 25th Anniversary. LSP (www.landstewardshipproject.org) was launched in 1982 in Saint Paul as a nonprofit organization dedicated to advancing the ethic and practice of stewardship on America's farms. LSP's farm, rural and urban members are organizing to build a food and agriculture system that is family farm based, environmentally sound and socially just. The organization has offices in the Minnesota communities of Lewiston, Montevideo, South Minneapolis and White Bear Lake.

Saint Joan of Arc Church is located at 4537 3rd Ave. S. in Minneapolis. From 35W take the 46th St. exit and head east to 3rd Ave. S. (one block past the freeway). Turn north (left) onto 3rd Ave. S. and the church will be on the right side of the street. You can park in the lot in front of the church. Enter the church through the door at the northeast corner of the parking lot.