

## **BOTTINEAU GAZETTE**

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### Fall Fun Festival: A Success in Spite of Rain



Between showers, neighbors and gardeners gather around the bonfire roasting hotdogs and making smores.

On October 5th, the community gardeners at Mulberry Junction held their Fall Fun Festival, welcoming Bottineau neighbors for a celebration of food, fun, fellowship and games.

Volunteers from the garden and BNA erected rain tents and kept a hot fire burning. For games, neighborhood residents Bruce and Dana set up a badminton set which turned out to be a big hit with the kids. Horseshoes were washed out by the weather, but great food and opportunities for conversation were in abundant supply.

The main event was a pot luck meal, featuring harvest produce from the gardeners, roasted hotdogs, and ethnic favorites from around the neighborhood. Memorable examples include: an exquisite eggplant casserole; a Russian holiday dish made from beets and herring; an organic potato salad; and a green

bean dish made with sesame seeds and soy sauce. Somali families came with deep fat fried dough cookies rolled in honey—yum! Another Somali favorite was Sambusa, deep fried pastries stuffed with either beef or vegetable filling, purchased from Jumba Grill at Chicago and Franklin. Everyone enjoyed roasting hot dogs, especially the kids. And then, of course, there were the smores ...

As many as 65 people (not counting babies) attended this event and a good time was had by all! Many suggested we do it again next year. What do you say, neighbors?



Thanks go out to **Sentyrz Ethnic Grocery** for supplying beef hotdogs, marshmallows, buns, condiments and other support; to **Psycho Suzie's** for providing a rain tent; to **River Liquor Store** for donating a keg of root beer; and to all the volunteers who worked to make this community-building event happen. We especially thank the **Mulberry Junction Gardeners** for inviting us into their bountiful garden!

### Phone

Police, Fire and Medical Emergency: 911

Minneapolis City Info: 311

Bottineau Neighborhood Association 367-7262

3<sup>rd</sup> Ward Councilwoman Hofstede 673-2203

Hennepin County Commissioner Higgens 348-7882

Parks Commissioner Wielinski 230-6443

Bottineau Park 370-4958

Family Violence, Domestic Abuse, Child Abuse 673-3072

Housing Inspections 673-5858

East Side Neighborhood Services (ESNS) 781-6011

Community Crime Prevention 673-2797

Pierre Bottineau Library 630-6890

Minneapolis Park Board 230-6400

Minneapolis Solid Waste and Recycling 673-2917

Traffic Enforcement 673-3443

## Northeast River Keepers Team up With Keegan's Pub for River Clean-up



Volunteers pose in front of Keegan's Pub before cleaning up the river banks in Northeast Minneapolis

On October 19th, **Keegan's Pub** and the **Northeast River Keepers** conducted their second annual "above the falls" Mississippi River clean-up event. Joined by other volunteers, they scoured the river banks—taking boats out to islands and other hard to reach areas—filling dozens of 50-gallon trash bags with the carelessly discarded flotsam of modern life. On behalf of Bottineau Neighborhood, all Northeast Minneapolis residents, and the indigenous wild life that has no voice, thank you River Keepers!

### **BNA Board Election Results**

Bottineau residents elect BNA board members for three-year staggered terms in the following manner:

Year One: 2 positions openYear two: 3 positions openYear three: 2 positions open

BNA elections follow a 2:3:2 revolving system so there will always be a possibility of new members being elected to the board. This year's election, 2013, was **year three** of that election cycle. For the two open board positions, we had four candidates:

Mariam Slayhi, Joe Koivu, Mohamed Barre and Kris Ziegler. When looking at the tabulation of votes below, keep in mind that percentage totals add up to 200% (not 100%) because two positions were open.

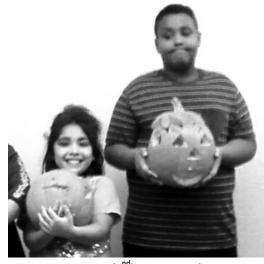
Here are the election results: Mariam Slayhi received 84% of votes cast, Kris Ziegler 74%, Joe Koivu 30% and Mohamed Barre 14%.

Next year, in 2014, two positions will be open, followed by three board positions in 2015.

# Pumpkin Carving Contest WINNERS!



Shiloe Smith (1<sup>st</sup> place); Sidney Jameston (3<sup>rd</sup>)



Allessandra Morales (2<sup>nd</sup>); Shire Basal (honorable mention)

## 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Harvest Gathering

Monday, Nov. 25, 6:30-8 p.m. Northeast Middle School 2955 Hayes St. NE

BNA is a sponsor of the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Harvest Gathering, the goal of which is to broaden understanding between cultures and diverse neighbors in Northeast Minneapolis.

MPS Superintendent Bernadeia Johnson will be the keynote speaker. Come early and enjoy the Northeast Middle School Fall Concert and Art Show that evening from 5:30–6:30 p.m. All are welcome and refreshments will be served.

## Minneapolis – St. Paul Home Tour: Open Application Ends Jan. 15 2014

Real Homes. Real People. Real Ideas.

For 27 years, city residents have been nominating their homes to be part of the Minneapolis—St. Paul Home Tour, predating popular home renovation shows like "This Old House" or "Extreme Makeover: Home Edition" by many years, and doing it one better—people who open their homes on the tour provide visitors with an opportunity to ask questions about any work that has been done, which in turn provides great ideas and hands-on advise for their own renovation projects.

This year, the tour will be held on April 26-27. Homes chosen will be either newly renovated or beautifully preserved examples of our local styles of residential architecture.

Neighborhoods with houses on the MSP
Home Tour get lots of positive publicity
and increased real estate action.

If you are proud of your home and willing to show it off to other crafty homeowners and home improvement professionals, apply at <a href="https://www.MSPHomeTour.com">www.MSPHomeTour.com</a> or call 612-867-4874. But remember, the open application period ends Jan. 15, 2014.

## 11/12/13: Third MN 6 I Group Somali Photo Exhibition

Featuring North Minneapolis artist: Rebecca Lawson

On Tuesday, November 12, we have an opportunity to explore the cultural experience of Somali immigrants in Minneapolis through the artistic eyes of MN 6 I Group—Somali photographers and community activists Mohamed Barre, Anisa Hajimumin, Farhio Khalif and Hessein N. Castelli. These artists produce aesthetic works which provide both documentation and a visual exploration of Somali experience in the evolving cultural landscape of 21st-century Minnesota.

In meaningful contrast, this exhibit will also feature the work of Minneapolis artist and photographer **Rebecca Lawson**, whose artwork focuses on the experience of her own family—immigrants from Bukovina (an ethnic region that straddles Romania and the Ukraine)—who settled in North Minneapolis in the early 20<sup>th</sup>-century.

This exhibit will be held in the Community Room of Bottineau Commons (1808 University Ave N E Minneapolis, MN 55418) on Tuesday, Nov. 12. The event is free and open for public viewings from 5 to 9 p.m.

### Websites

Bottineau Neighborhood Association

bottineauneighborhood.org

Minneapolis www.minneapolismn.gov

3<sup>rd</sup> Ward www.minneapolismn.gov/ ward3

Inspections
www.minneapolismn.gov/
inspections

Hennepin County co.hennepin.mn.us

Park Board minneapolisparks.org

Minnesota Pollution Control Agency www.pca.state.mn.us

Public Education NE publicedne.blogspot.com

Friends of the Mississippi fmr.org

NE Minneapolis Arts Association nemaa.org

Northeast Investment Cooperative neic.coop

MN State Legislature www.leg.state.mn.us

Minneapolis Crime Alerts www.minneapolismn.gov/ police/crimealert

Eureka Recycling twincitiesfreemarket.org

Federal Trade Commission www.ftc.gov

Neighborhood & Community Relations www.minneapolismn.gov/ ncr Bottineau Neighborhood Association 2205 California Street #107 Minneapolis, MN 55418 612.367.7262 bna@bottineauneighborhood.org

### Mark Your Calendars



11/12 BNA Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m. 2205 California St NE, Suite 107 (Call 612-801-7834 if door is locked)

**NOTE**: The public is welcome at all BNA meetings. All meetings are accessible and requests for special accommodations at BNA meetings may be made by contacting us no less than one week prior to the event. This publication can be made available in an alternative format. Please contact BNA with specific requests.



Dates for the **2nd Annual Open Studio event at the California Building** have now been finalized. Organizers hope to exceed last year's artist total of 44 participants. In fact, the second floor gallery "on2" is already set with 100% artist participation. Once again, BNA will sponsor a children's ornament making station on the 1st floor, serving free hot cider and holiday cookies. Don't miss this exciting event!