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# BOTTINEAU GAZETTE

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## RiverFirst Development Update

On October 16, 2012, a **RiverFirst** public forum was held at the Minneapolis Park and Recreation headquarters, 2117 West River Road, Minneapolis. A presentation by park planner Andrew Caddock and City of Minneapolis planner Haila Maze explained how the Above the Falls Master Plan (AFMP), adopted in 2000, has been revised to reflect current economic complexities. BNA's representative on the Above the Falls Citizen Advisory Committee (AFCAC) is Bob Marget, a Bottineau resident, business owner and BNA board director.

The original plan called for zoning most of the river front for residential, green space or public park land. Under the revised plan, less of this land will be converted to green space and much less will be owned by the park board. For instance, the public marina envisioned in the original plan is off the table, and businesses like Cemstone and Northern Metals will now remain in current locations. It is also probable that the locks at St. Anthony Falls will not be closed to prevent Asian carp from swimming upstream.

Further, many of the zoning changes

that favored residential use under the original plan will now, under RiverFirst, be zoned for mixed use, allowing business, light commercial and multi-family, multi-level residential units to be built – a far more diverse use of river front property than had been approved in 2000.

Among new public amenities envisioned by the current plan is a park at the Scherer site – an area directly north of the Plymouth Bridge – that will include a re-established island in the river and a new swimming beach. The Park Board has already purchased this property.

Also, according to artist renderings, the city-owned Port of Minneapolis (on the west side of the river at Dowling Ave N.) will be made into a public boat launch, fishing dock and entertainment space, and a new green way will be extended to the river from Fairview Park (at 26<sup>th</sup> Ave. N. and Lyndale Ave. N.), providing access to new and existing bike and pedestrian trails. A site for kayak rental might also be established at some point.

The plan also calls for Marshall St. N. E. to become a multiuse transit avenue with bicycle usage clearly marked. However, Marshall Street is a county highway, so Hennepin County must decide if it wishes to reconfigure it in the green vision

## Phone

Police, Fire and Medical  
Emergency:  
911

Minneapolis City Info:  
311

Bottineau Neighborhood  
Association  
782-2145

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

Hennepin County  
Commissioner (Vacant)  
348-7882

Parks Commissioner  
Wielinski  
230-6443

Bottineau Park  
370-4958

Family Violence,  
Domestic Abuse, Child  
Abuse  
673-3072

Housing Inspections  
673-5858

NE Home Ownership  
Center  
378-7985

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

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recommended by the MPRB and the  
City of Minneapolis.

Finally, the mudflats will be  
reestablished on the west side of the  
Mississippi to help clean and restore  
the river's water quality.

City of Minneapolis Health Department  
staff were on hand to conduct health  
impact assessment surveys, but they  
still need hundreds more Northeast  
residents to respond. The Health  
Department received a grant to  
monitor and insure that the riverfront  
development will make Minneapolitans  
healthier. Please contact Dave  
Johnson, 673-3948 or Jared Erdmann,  
673-2638 with questions or to get a  
copy mailed to you. If you have access  
you can fill out the survey on line by  
going to this site:

[www.surveymonkey.com/s/AFT\\_MPLS  
Survey](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/AFT_MPLS_Survey).

## NE Harvest Gathering

Many faces, one community. That is  
the tag line of the Northeast Harvest  
Gathering. This free event features  
Alan Page, Minnesota Supreme Court  
Justice as the keynote speaker. Justice  
Page has founded the Page Foundation.  
There will be live music, dessert and  
discussion. Meet new people and  
discuss authentic community.

**When:** November 19 @ 7:00 p.m.

**Where:** Northeast Middle School

For more information contact them at  
neharvestgathering@gmail.com or like  
them on Facebook.

## Family Fun: Mighty Mississippi Discovery Backpack

Check out a free, fun *Mighty  
Mississippi Discovery Backpack* at  
three Metro river parks. The  
backpacks include everything needed  
to explore the park and the  
Mississippi River including activity  
cards, binoculars, magnifying lenses,  
bird calls, easy-to-use nature guides  
and more! Discovery Backpacks are  
great for families, friends and  
individuals.

Scouts and other groups can check  
out the special "Group Pack" which  
includes additional activities and  
supplies to help groups of 10-20  
people have fun and learn while  
exploring along the Mississippi River.

Check-out a Mighty Mississippi  
Discovery Backpack at the North  
Mississippi Regional Park (763-694-  
7693), Mississippi River Visitor Center  
of the National Park Service (651-  
293-0200) at the Science Museum of  
Minnesota and Fort Snelling State  
Park (612-725-2724).

Call any check-out site for more  
information. The Discovery  
Backpacks were made possible  
through a grant from the McKnight  
Foundation and the Mississippi River  
Fund. The packs are developed by  
the Mississippi National River and  
Recreation Area of the National Park  
Service and offered in cooperation  
with partner sites.

Visit <http://www.nps.gov/miss> to  
learn more about the Mississippi  
National River and Recreation Area.

# FYI: Upcoming Northeast Senior Events

**Free Legal Clinic** for Real Estate and Related issues will be open to anyone over 60 years of age. Seniors can speak with a real estate attorney about their issues. Attorneys from Lindquist and Vennum Real Estate group will staff this clinic December 5, 2012. Call *Northeast Senior Services* for an appointment, 612-781-5096.

**Foot Care Clinics** will be held November 15, 2012 and December 7, 2012. The provider is Quality Foot Care and cost is \$30.00 paid to the nurse. Call for an appointment.

**Exercise** especially for Seniors is held every Monday from 1-1:40 PM at NE United Methodist Church, 2510 Cleveland St NE Minneapolis.

All events are coordinated by *Northeast Senior Services*. Call 612-781-5096 for more information.

# Mulberry Junction Gardeners:

## U.S. Catholic Bishops Withdraw Longtime Support from the *Land Stewardship Project*

The recent decision on the part of the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD)—the social justice funding arm of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops—to withdraw funding for Land Stewardship Project's, LSP, has

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greatly affected LSP, organizing work related to family farms and care of the land.

In early July, the Catholic Bishops notified LSP that they had been approved for a \$48,000 grant for rural organizing in southeast Minnesota. Two weeks later CCHD reversed the decision to support Gardening Matters and the LSP unless it resigned membership in two organizations: TakeAction Minnesota and the Minnesota Council of Nonprofits. The reason given for withdrawing the funding was because of these organizations' stated positions against the constitutional amendment to limit marriage that is going to be on the Nov. 6 ballot in Minnesota. LSP has no position on the marriage amendment. This action has left a deep hole in LSP's organizing budget.

If you have questions concerning the withdrawal of the Land Stewardship Project's CCHD funding, contact Mark Schultz at 612-722-6377 or Doug Nopar at 507-523-3366 .

The Land Stewardship Project needs to raise \$48,000 in the next six weeks. Currently, there is a \$25,000 matching grant so any donations to the LSP will count twice. Go to <http://landstewardshipproject.org/home/donate> to make a difference

# Medicine Disposal Drop Boxes

Hennepin County has a total of six medicine drop boxes, including one in Minneapolis at 401 4<sup>th</sup> Ave South. Visit [www.hennepin.us/medicine](http://www.hennepin.us/medicine) for more information on drop box locations and hours and materials accepted.

# Websites

Bottineau Neighborhood  
Association  
[bottineauneighborhood.org](http://bottineauneighborhood.org)

Minneapolis  
[www.minneapolismn.gov](http://www.minneapolismn.gov)

3<sup>rd</sup> Ward  
[www.minneapolismn.gov/  
ward3](http://www.minneapolismn.gov/ward3)

Inspections  
[www.minneapolismn.gov/  
inspections](http://www.minneapolismn.gov/inspections)

Hennepin County  
[co.hennepin.mn.us](http://co.hennepin.mn.us)

Park Board  
[minneapolisparcs.org](http://minneapolisparcs.org)

Minnesota Pollution  
Control Agency  
[www.pca.state.mn.us](http://www.pca.state.mn.us)

Public Education NE  
[publicedne.blogspot.com](http://publicedne.blogspot.com)

Friends of the Mississippi  
[fmr.org](http://fmr.org)

NE Minneapolis Arts  
Association  
[nema.org](http://nema.org)

Neighborhood  
Revitalization Program  
[nrp.org](http://nrp.org)

MN State Legislature  
[www.leg.state.mn.us](http://www.leg.state.mn.us)

Minneapolis Crime Alerts  
[www.minneapolismn.gov/  
police/crimealert](http://www.minneapolismn.gov/police/crimealert)

Eureka Recycling  
[twincitiesfreemarket.org](http://twincitiesfreemarket.org)

Federal Trade  
Commission  
[www.ftc.gov](http://www.ftc.gov)

Neighborhood &  
Community Relations  
[www.minneapolismn.gov/  
ncr](http://www.minneapolismn.gov/ncr)

## Mark Your Calendars



11/13 BNA Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m.  
2205 California St NE, Suite 107  
(Call 612-801-7834 if door is  
locked)

11/22 Thanksgiving

**Please welcome** Nancy Przymus as BNA's new part time contract staff person. Office hours will begin November 5<sup>th</sup> on Mondays, 9-11 AM, and Fridays, 3-5 PM, or call 612-801-7834 for an appointment.

### ***In History***

November 7, 1867: Birthdate of Polish chemist Marie Curie, winner of the Nobel Prize for discovering Radium.

November 10, 1483: Birthdate of Martin Luther, Reformation leader & theologian.

November 15, 1850: Birthdate of Georgia O'Keefe, noted American artist.

November 19, 1863: President Abraham Lincoln delivered the Gettysburg Address.

**THIS MONTH:** Name two U.S. Presidents born in November and *win a cash prize!* Send your answers to [bna@bottineauneighborhood.org](mailto:bna@bottineauneighborhood.org)

**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.