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# BOTTINEAU GAZETTE

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April 2006

## 2006 Earth Day River Clean Up

Please join us again this year on Earth Day at Edgewater Park for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual BNA Earth Day/River Clean Up. This year's event is **Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> and will run from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM.** There is much more to the event this year because Edgewater Park has been selected by the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board as one of 10 City wide Celebration sites. The schedule of events is below:

### 9:00 Registration & Breakfast

- The first 20 registrants will receive a prize donated by the Bryn Mawr Soap Company
- Breakfast includes coffee, baked goods, juice, and fruit

### 9:30 – 11:30 Clean Up & Kid's Activities

- Gloves and bags provided
- 'Trash' scavenger hunt
- Sidewalk chalk art
- Kite flying (weather permitting)

### 11:30 – 1:00 Lunch, Live Music & Education

- Lunch includes burgers (vegetarian also) chips, soda, and more
- Yebo Trio is playing
- Master Gardener to answer your questions
- Science Museum of Minnesota watershed information
- Live birds of prey from The Raptor Center at the University of Minnesota

### 1:00 Edgewater Park Groundbreaking

- Join local dignitaries in a ceremony to begin the long awaited construction of the new Edgewater Park.

Please note that because of the Raptor Center demonstration, we ask that you **do not** bring any pets with you.

## NOTICE

### Neighborhood Meeting

Thursday, April 27th  
7:00 PM at  
Eastside Neighborhood Services

**Guest: Mark Stenis, Master Arborist from SS Tree**

Learn about tree health including disease identification, invasive species, girdling, and more.

Light refreshments served

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Hot Dish Revolution

Talk is cheap and the proof of NE pride is in the 9x13 pan! If you think you make the best hotdish quit bragging and bring it on—the second annual clash of the NE kitchen titans takes place April 22 at the Firefighters Hall & Museum. Dishes will be entered into one of the following categories:

- **"Spicy"** (in quotes as to not exclude those who firmly believe salt and pepper **are** spicy)
- **Vegetarian**
- **Breakfast** - it's the most important meal of the day after all
- **Tater tot** excellence
- **"I made it"** - kids under 16
- **Darn Good!** (if your dish doesn't fit in another category)

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## 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 Stenglein  
348-7882

Parks Commissioner  
Dziedzic  
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

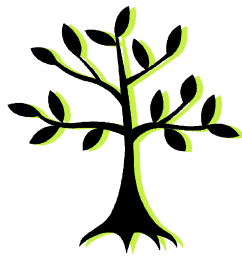
Minneapolis Solid Waste  
and Recycling  
673-2917

Traffic Enforcement  
673-3443

## Gasthof Update

BNA recently met with Gasthof management to continue discussing certain livability issues that are created and exacerbated by the periodic tent events held at Gasthof zur Gemutlichkeit. We were able to inform him that the relocation of the 'Biffs' was greatly appreciated and some of the other steps taken seemed effective in addressing the concerns of the neighborhood. Mario notified BNA that he only plans two outdoor events this year, Oktoberfest and combination of the May and Summer Fests. He also agreed to speak with his security staff and have them be more diligent and attentive when it comes to mitigating these issues with patrons both when they congregate outside and when they leave at the end of the night.

It was also interesting to note the number of more recent noise complaints during the winter and not related to these tent events. This is directly related to the smoking ban in Minneapolis. Patrons of not only the Keller Bar but also any other neighborhood bars must go outside to smoke. Again, because of the proximity of these bars to nearby houses, it was unfortunately inevitable that the amount of noise increased. We will continue to monitor these complaints and work with Gasthof management to find appropriate solutions.



## Neighborhood Tree Health

Did you know that trees can strangle themselves? Can you identify Dutch Elm or Oak Wilt? Do you know what Buckthorn looks like? Or the best way of getting rid of it? Please join BNA at its April neighborhood meeting on **Thursday the 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM** to get answers to these questions and more from Mark Stenis, from SS Tree.

> **Hot Dish** from page 1

We will also award prizes for the hot-dish with the best name, and for the most original - think of it like a Miss Congeniality, most-likely-to-succeed deal. Suggested donation is \$5 if you enter a dish, or \$10 for adults, kids age 5-15 are \$5, and kids under age 5 are free. Doors open at 5:00pm for entries, entertainment starts at 5:30pm, then it's dinner at 6:00pm until it's all gone and the accordion player can't take anymore!

Last year, several residents from Bottineau placed in the "I made it" and Tater Tot Excellence categories.

If you would like to enter and want more information, please call Karen at the Holland Neighborhood Improvement Association at 781-2299.

**Race has no genetic basis.** Not one characteristic, trait or even gene distinguishes all the members of one so-called race from all the members of another so-called race.

## Gluek Park Update

Now that spring has sprung, we can start thinking about the completion of the asbestos removal action at Gluek Park on Marshall Street. The EPA is aiming at an early June restart date according to an email from Sonia Vega, EPA On Scene Coordinator. She said that spring is generally too wet in this part of the country and drier soil conditions are needed to complete the work. [Editor: This seems a bit ironic as they have to spray water on the soil when they remove it.] Continue to look in future issues of the *Gazette* for a more definite date.

The EPA has published a large amount of information about asbestos and vermiculite (which may or may not contain asbestos). You can find this information online at: [www.epa.gov/asbestos](http://www.epa.gov/asbestos)

**Youth Ultimate Frisbee Club (ages 13+)**

Ultimate Frisbee is an exciting, non-contact team sport that mixes the best features of sports such as Soccer, Basketball, American Football and Netball into a fascinating and demanding game. The simplicity of the rules means it's easy and fun for anyone to pick up. Excellent for exercise or training for other sports, bring some friends and give it a try!

**Time:** 6:30-8:00 pm

**Dates:** Thursdays, April 27- June 1

**Cost:** Free

**Nature Babies- Backyard Buddies (ages 3 & under)**

Come with your little one to play, sing and have fun with nature themed activities. Each day will have a different theme including Furry Friends, Snakes, Beavers and Birds. Join the spring fun with your child. For kids up to age 3 with an adult.

**Time:** 11:00am-12:00 pm

**Dates:** Fridays April 7- 28<sup>th</sup>

**Costs:** \$7/ four week session

**EGGS-STRAVAGANZA (ages 3-5)**

What comes first, the creature or the egg? Can you name all of the creatures in Minnesota that come from eggs? We'll play with fish, frogs, birds, and reptiles. Hop like frogs, swim like fish, fly like birds, and squirm like reptiles. Celebrate spring with us in this active program! A great way for your kindergarten age or younger child to socialize! Please pre-register.

**Time:** 12:00-1:00 pm

**Dates:** Thursdays May 11- June 1<sup>st</sup>

**Cost:** Free

*Park News, next column >*

**Skate Park Dedication and Park Grand (re)Opening**

Mark your calendars for Saturday, May 20 from Noon-2:00pm for a community event at Bottineau Park to celebrate the final completion of park landscaping and the dedication of the new skate park. New features in the park include a rain garden, sand volleyball court and new walkways.

Join us for refreshments, skating demonstrations, and more. Equipment will be available for you to show off your boarding skills as well.



**New BNA Director**

At the March BNA Board meeting, the Board of Directors voted to appoint Mary P to the seat left vacant by the recent resignation of Jan Blegen. Mary is an artist and real estate agent. She brings additional creativity and energy to the neighborhood association as well as new perspectives on many of the issues facing the neighborhood. Please join the rest of the BNA Board in welcoming Mary to the world of neighborhood work. The seat she is filling runs to 2007.

This year, three seats on the BNA Board will be up for election. The BNA Board is currently considering some changes in the process of electing Board members. This is part of a comprehensive review of the organizations Bylaws. You can find a working draft online at the BNA website:

[www.bottineaneighborhood.org](http://www.bottineaneighborhood.org)

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

Minneapolis  
[ci.minneapolis.mn.us](http://ci.minneapolis.mn.us)

3<sup>rd</sup> Ward  
[ci.minneapolis.mn.us/council/ward3](http://ci.minneapolis.mn.us/council/ward3)

Inspections  
[ci.minneapolis.mn.us/inspections](http://ci.minneapolis.mn.us/inspections)

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

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

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

Environmental Protection Agency  
[epa.gov](http://epa.gov)

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

Mississippi Corridor Neighborhood Coalition  
[mcnc-mpls.org](http://mcnc-mpls.org)

NE Minneapolis Arts Association  
[art-a-whirl.org](http://art-a-whirl.org)

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

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

Minneapolis Crime Alerts  
[ci.minneapolis.mn.us/police/crimealert](http://ci.minneapolis.mn.us/police/crimealert)

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

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

## Mark Your Calendars



4/11 BNA Board of Directors Meeting  
6:00 PM  
BNA Office (2205 California #107)

4/22 Earth Day River Clean Up  
9:00 AM – 1:00 PM  
Edgewater Park

- River Clean Up
- Entertainment
- Education
- Food
- Edgewater Park Groundbreaking

4/27 BNA Neighborhood Meeting  
Guest Mark Stenis from SS Tree

- Learn how to protect your trees
- Invasive species identification and removal



**NOTE:** The public is welcome at all BNA meetings. To have your event listed here, please call 782-2145.