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Ururka Degaanka Bottineau Soo-Dhowow 2005

Waa-Maxay: Kullamada Degaanka

Goorma: Khamiis, January 27-da

Wakhtige: 7:00 PM

Xaggee: Eastside Neighborhood Services

Jidkee: (1700 2nd street)

Kaalay oo nasoo raac si aan u soo dhaweyno sanadka cusub, dadka dhawaan guryaha degaanka soo dagey iyo saciibo cusub.

Qof kasta ha ka ogaado kan kale xogaa saa'id ah, la kulan guddiga agaasimooyinka ee BNA (ama Ururka Degaanka Bottineau) iyo shaqalaheeda.

Ku faraxsanaw cuntada fudud iyo cabitaanka ee diyaar kuula yihiin makhaydleyda degaanka. (Marina Grill & Deli iyo Viva Mexico)

Wakhti fiican ha kuu ahaato.

NOTICE

Next neighborhood meeting is January 27th, 7:00 PM at Eastside Neighborhood Services.

Holiday Lights Winners. Updates on things to keep an eye out for in 2005.

Food from Marina Grill & Deli and Viva Mexico

Lowry Bridge

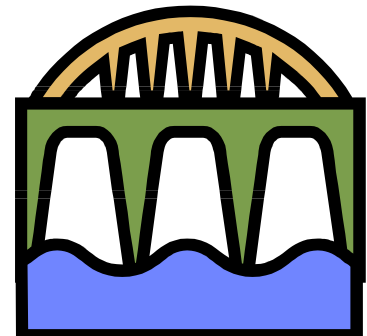
According to the *Northeaster*, the County has once again extended the date for the reopening of the Lowry Avenue Bridge. The new date is now late February or even March.

The problem encountered has to do with the bridge bearings on the east pier. New bearings are being manufactured and will be installed soon – hopefully.



Please Recycle

January 2005



Phone

Police, Fire and Medical
Emergency
911

Bottineau Neighborhood
Association
782-2145

3rd Ward Councilman
Samuels
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

Graffiti Hotline
673-2941

Traffic Enforcement
673-3443

A Warm Welcome for 2005

The theme for the January General Membership meeting is 'Welcome'. We want to start the new year with an open invitation to the neighborhood to come and get to know each other a bit better, welcome new residents and neighbors, meet the BNA Board of Directors and staff, and enjoy some food from neighborhood restaurants.

There is no agenda other than recognizing the winners of this year's Holiday Lights awards (see next column).

Bottineau Neighborhood Association

Welcome 2005

Neighborhood Meeting
Thursday, January 27th
7:00 PM

Eastside Neighborhood Services
(1700 2nd Street)

Come join us in welcoming the New Year, new residents and new friends.

Get to know each other more, meet the BNA Board of Directors and staff. Find out what's going on in the neighborhood.

Enjoy refreshments from neighborhood restaurants.
(Marina Grill & Deli and Viva Mexico)

Have a great time.

From the Desk of Don Samuels...

To Boot or Not To Boot

The City is considering whether or not to allow "booting" of vehicles as an alternative to towing illegally parked cars. "Booting" involves placing and locking a mechanism onto the wheel of a car, rendering it immobile until it is unlocked for a fee. This practice is more commonly used in commercial as opposed to residential areas. A ban on booting has been proposed within the City Council, and as a result a task force is being formed to determine what is best for Minneapolis in this regard. Some supporters of the ban feel that the ease of booting over towing lends itself to potential predatory "cruising" for illegally parked cars. Those in favor of booting cite the decreased expense and inconvenience in comparison to towing for the car owner. What do you think? I'd like to know before I weigh in on this issue. If you have questions about booting or the proposed ban, please call my office.

Campaign Decision

Many of you may already be aware that I made the very difficult decision to not run for reelection in the Third Ward. The redrawing of Minneapolis' Wards put my family's home in the new Fifth Ward. A decision to make a bid to continue representing the Third Ward would have required me to uproot my family and leave the very neighborhood which helped inspire and propel me into office. So, after much discussion and introspection, I, with the help of my wife Sondra, made the decision to run in the new Fifth Ward.

I thought long and hard about how much support and kindness I have received from current Third Ward residents. I thought of all we have been through together, and how you might feel about my decision. I weighed those thoughts against the incredible tug of conscience, challenge, and opportunity that eventually pulled me toward this commitment to stay in, and focus on North Minneapolis.

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The openness and hopefulness of the people of the current Third Ward has set a new standard for the City. Ours has been a groundbreaking experience of collaboration across race and ethnicity, across freeway and river, and across historic barriers of estrangement. I have enjoyed representing you with my whole heart. I have been proud to know and work with you.

Please be assured I intend to serve my present constituents with continued commitment for the duration of this term, and please know that I will be there for you beyond that point as well. I am a better person for the time we have had together.

Don Samuels
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Holdiday Lights Winners

There were many great displays this year. BNA Board Member and judge, Jason Kettlewell, said he "was impressed with how much effort so many people made this year to decorate their homes and businesses." The winners this year are:

- First Place: 213 23rd Avenue
- Second Place: 2401 Marshall Street
- Third Place: 2019 2nd Street

Certificates and awards will be presented to theses winners at the January 27th meeting.

The judges would also like to extend honorable mentions to:

- 1806 3rd Street
- 1911 3rd Street
- 2011 3rd Street
- 2201 Grand Street

The neighborhood looks great.

Leading Bottineau Forward in 2005

Tim Kremer, BNA President

As I begin the honor of serving my second year as the Bottineau Neighborhood Association, I am overcome with optimism. I anticipate a year that will build upon the many success of last year.

Bottineau is a unique and wonderful place to live and work. We are one of the smaller of Minneapolis' neighborhoods and yet we contain many of the larger issues facing this city. Our location close to downtown will make us a magnet for residential development for many years to come. Cultures are colliding while dreams are flourishing. Our organization must strive to develop strategies to mitigate the former and foster the latter.

Bottineau can be proud of its amenities that are attracting new residents. We are able to enjoy the many wonderful restaurants within walking distance. Renovations to our parks will improve our access to the river and work on a bike path may soon unite our city from East to West through Bottineau.

However, one item that stands out in my mind is the depth of character and pride in Bottineau. I am proud to be a part of this organization. Currently groups are forming to shepherd our neighborhood forward and I encourage all to help chart our course. I look forward to seeing all of you at the January meeting.

Websites

Bottineau Neighborhood Association
bottineauneighborhood.org

Minneapolis
ci.minneapolis.mn.us

3rd Ward
ci.minneapolis.mn.us/council/ward3

Inspections
ci.minneapolis.mn.us/inspections

Hennepin County
co.hennepin.mn.us

Park Board
minneapolisparcs.org

Environmental Protection Agency
epa.gov

Friends of the Mississippi
fmr.org

Mississippi Corridor Neighborhood Coalition
mcnc-mpls.org

NE Minneapolis Arts Association
art-a-whirl.org

Neighborhood Revitalization Program
nrp.org

MN State Legislature
leg.state.mn

Minneapolis Crime Alerts
ci.minneapolis.mn.us/police/crimealert

Eureka Recycling
twincitiesfreemarket.org

Federal Trade Commission
www.ftc.gov

Mark Your Calendars



1/27 BNA General Membership Meeting
7:00 PM
Eastside Neighborhood Service
(1700 2nd Street NE)

2/8 BNA Board of Directors Meeting
6 p.m. at BNA office
2205 California Street, #107

2/1 Breakfast with Councilman Samuels
10:00 AM – 12:00
Mill City Cafe

2/14 Valentines Day

Look for a neighborhood festival in February.
Details coming.

Note: there is no General Membership meeting in February. Next General Membershipp meeting is in March.

To have your event listed here, please call
782-2145.