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# BOTTINEAU GAZETTE

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January/February  
2010

## Youth Sportsmanship Award

The Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board presented Bottineau Park 11U and 13U volleyball teams with the 2009 Fall Youth Sportsmanship Award.

Criteria for the award include a positive attitude, commitment, dedication, overcoming adversity and persistence. Those are all very positive characteristics to have developed and be recognized at that age. We're all proud of the Park, its staff and especially the kids.

The award was presented on December 16<sup>th</sup>. Stop by the park to congratulate them and see the awards. Nice Job!

## Park Field Upgrades

Whether or not you agreed with the legislation authorizing (and partially funding) the new Twins Ballpark, the neighborhood is about to reap some benefits from it.

The fields at Bottineau Park are one of five throughout the City that received funding from the Hennepin County Youth Sports Grant program created by the same legislation. These are the only fields in NE to receive funding through this program. (Van Cleve is close. but technically in SE.)

How much planning has already been done isn't clear. If you use the field and have suggestions, Eric at Bottineau is happy to listen. We're sure the new Commissioner, Liz Wielinski, would be happy to hear your thoughts as well.

Bottineau received \$130,000.

## NOTICE

### Neighborhood Meeting Thursday, January 28<sup>th</sup>

Guest: 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward Councilwoman  
Diane Hofstede: What to expect in  
2010.

1<sup>st</sup> Ward Councilman Kevin Reich  
has also been invited as we share  
borders.

See below for the meeting schedule.

## 2010 Meeting Schedule

If you are one of those who like to plan ahead, here is the Bottineau Neighborhood Association community meeting schedule (all days are Thursdays unless otherwise noted):

January 28<sup>th</sup>

February 25<sup>th</sup>

March 20<sup>th</sup> (Saturday – Green Gala, family friendly event and fundraiser)

April 17<sup>th</sup> (Saturday – Earth Day 5K and watershed clean up)

May 27<sup>th</sup>

June 24<sup>th</sup>

September 23<sup>rd</sup> (Annual Meeting)

October 28<sup>th</sup>

All meetings start to 7:00 PM and are held at Eastside Neighborhood Services (1700 2<sup>nd</sup> Street).

If you have any requests or suggestions for topics or speakers, let us know.

## 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  
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

## Some New Faces Downtown

You may have noticed in the most recent Northeast Newspaper, that the 2010 election season is already gearing up. Even with that, you may be interested to see the new lineup downtown.

There has been a slight change to the City Council Committee structure. Health, Energy and Environment, and Public Safety and Regulatory Services are reorganized to Public Safety and health, and Regulatory, Energy and Environment.

Councilwoman Hofstede is continuing her work in those two committees (among others). And Councilman Reich is more directly involved in the planning, transportation and development end of things. There are nine other Boards and Commissions to which the two NE Council members have been appointed. If you are interested, use the link below:

<http://tinyurl.com/yawa656>

(the actual URL is nearly 100 characters long)

Not forgetting the Park Board... Liz Wielinski is now a member of every MPRB committee except Operation and Environment. She is the Chair of the Recreation Committee. She too has been appointed to numerous other Board and Commissions.

One common thread among the appointments is (not surprisingly) the Mississippi River. All three of them are involved in the Mississippi Watershed Management Organization (see p.3) and the relatively new Mississippi Riverfront Corporation either as the appointed member or an alternate.

For review, here is some contact info:  
Diane Hofstede:  
612 673-2203  
diane.hofstede@ci.minneapolis.mn.us

Kevin Reich:  
612 673-2201  
kevin.reich@ci.minneapolis.mn.us

Liz Wielinski:  
612 230-6443, Ext 1  
lwielinski@minneapolisparcs.org

## 2010 Census

The beginning of the decade brings with it the US Census. First completed in 1790 it has become a quite more significant undertaking. The US population at the first census was about 4 million people. Today it is about 304 million.

Why should anyone take the time to fill out the form? First, it doesn't take that long. The form you will get in the mail is only 10 questions long – yep, one side of a piece of paper. Second and more importantly, the results of the Census help determine how over \$400 million a year of Federal funds gets allocated. That is over \$4 trillion over the next decade. These funds are used by states, counties, cities and other municipalities for things like: Hospitals, job training centers, schools, senior centers, ridges, tunnels and other-public works projects and Emergency services among many others

Census information affects the numbers of seats your state occupies in the U.S. House of Representatives. And people from many walks of life use census data to advocate for causes, rescue disaster victims, prevent diseases, research markets, locate pools of skilled workers and more.

Lastly, it is a chance to make a few bucks. Census workers in Minneapolis will be paid \$16.50/hour. The duties, time commitment and other information can be found at:

<http://2010.census.gov/2010censusjobs/>

Or you can call 1-866-861-2010.



## Bottineau Park News

Fall/Winter activities are underway. There are programs for all ages and too many to list here. Here's just one example:

### Floor Hockey

Get ready for the ice hockey season by playing floor hockey in the gym. This fast-paced game is a great way to burn off some energy after school.

### Jr All-Stars: Basketball

Focus on fundamental skill development, learning to be part of a team, and most of all FUN! The program teaches basketball fundamentals and provides an introduction to team sports. Parents are encouraged to participate with their children because parent participation enhances the children's learning experience.

### Dodgeball Mania

Trench, knockout, and more. Play a new dodgeball game each week.

Spring programs start in March.

Contact park staff for more information. Bottineau Park, 2000 2nd Street NE, Minneapolis, MN 55418, Phone: 612-370-4958, [www.minneapolisparcs.org](http://www.minneapolisparcs.org)

### How big is 4 trillion:

$1 \times 10^{12}$   
1,000,000,000,000,000  
4 trillion seconds = 126,184 years  
4 trillion pennies  
= \$10 billion  
= 3,125,000 tons  
stacked would make a tower  
986,426 miles high (to the moon  
and back four times)

## Other 2010 Activities

Other than the exciting news about the Bottineau fields, there are several other things occurring in 2010 that will impact the neighborhood. Among them include:

**2220 Marshall Street: Demolition.** The City Council approved the demolition of this building on December 18<sup>th</sup> and the action was published in Finance & Commerce on December 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Lowry Bridge: Construction.** The Super America will come down first and then starts the pile driving. The County plans on holding an open house early this year. Check with the BNA website or Commissioner Stenglein's office for more details.



**Local IBEW Hall: Demolition.** Maybe not in 2010, but there will be some changes. The Mississippi Watershed Management Organization purchased this property last year and will be building a new structure for their offices, classrooms, conference rooms and more.

**18<sup>th</sup> Avenue Pike Path: Ground Breaking.** Again, maybe not in 2010. There have been some delays with getting required easements and some design modifications. This will be an off street path that will get you from the river to roughly Monroe. (Phase II is from Monroe to the Quarry and is in the planning stages waiting funding.)

**22<sup>nd</sup> Avenue Bicycle Boulevard: Implementation.** Bike boulevards have been created in Berkeley, Portland and Vancouver. With few east / West connections in Northeast, this will be a welcome addition to make bike travel safer.

For more info on what a bike boulevard is, see:

<http://www.streetfilms.org/berkeley-bike-boulevards/>

## Websites

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

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

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

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

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



- 1/12 BNA Board Meeting  
6:30 PM, BNA Office
- 1/18 Martin Luther King Jr Day
- 1/28 Bottineau Neighborhood Meeting  
7 PM at Eastside Neighborhood Services
- 2/2 Groundhog Day
- 2/9 BNA Board Meeting  
6:30 PM, BNA Office

- 2/14 Valentine's Day / Chinese New Year
- 2/25 Bottineau neighborhood Meeting
- 2/26 Mawlid al-Nabi
- 2/28 Purim



### ***In History***

January 1973: Viet Nam War cease-fire signed  
February 1940: Hattie McDaniel is first black actress to win an Oscar -- for her role as Mammy in *Gone with the Wind*

**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.

For more information or for deadlines,  
please call 782-2145.