

BOTTINEAU GAZETTE

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May 2005

Earth Day River Clean Up

According to the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board, volunteers across Minneapolis picked up almost 6,000 pounds – yes 3 tons – of trash on April 23rd. They also cleaned out 1,500 pounds of other solid waste like construction debris, metal, etc.

The Bottineau Neighborhood Association coordinated a clean up event based at Edgewater Park. The 50 plus volunteers (from 13 different zip codes) were able to clean the parks and riverbank from Lowry to Broadway. Based on the size of the pile of trash at Edgewater at the end of the event, our volunteers definitely did their share. Some items of note that were found include a couch, a bed frame, and count them – 4 bowling balls. The bowling balls are being reused as garden ornaments.

We would like to use this space to thank our partners and sponsors:

- Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board
- Minneapolis Solid Waste & Recycling
- California Building Company
- Kozlak-Radulovich Funeral Chapel
- Mill City Cafe
- Mourados Liquor
- NE Bank
- Packaging Corporation of America
- River Liquor
- Sherman Associates Inc.
- And most of all, the

volunteers

NOTICE

Neighborhood Meeting
Thursday, May 26th
7:00 PM
Eastside Neighborhood Services
(1700 2nd Street)

Topic: Proposed Housing
Development on the 24xx block of 2nd Street & zoning change.

Meet the developer, hear his ideas, and provide feedback.

Home Improvement Season

Now spring has sprung, home improvement season is upon us. The Bottineau Neighborhood Association has used Neighborhood Revitalization Program funds to provide straight loans, forgivable loans, rebates and grants for the past several years. The funding pool for this program is empty. As part of the neighborhood's second NRP plan, we are proposing an additional \$145,000 for housing related use. Reviewing the old program and deciding how best to use these new funds will take some time. It is unlikely that BNA will be able to offer a neighborhood program this year.

However, the Housing Resource Center in Northeast Minneapolis can help. It is located at 909 Main Street and you can reach them by phone at 378-7985 or online at

www.housingresourcecenter.org

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

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The Housing Resource Center can help you asses your needs, prioritize your projects, review contractors' bids, find funding assistance, and much more. All this is free for residents of the Bottineau neighborhood.

Below is a short list of some of the products to which they can connect you. Most have eligibility criteria, loan maximums, and/or other restrictions. You will need to contact the Northeast Housing Resource Center at 378-7985 for more information.

- Minneapolis Basic Home Improvement Loan
- Minneapolis City Code Abatement Loan
- MHFA Fix Up Fund
- MHFA Rental Property Loan
- MHFA Rehabilitation Loan
- Energy Assistance Programs

Park News

Bottineau

The summer programs start June 6th at Bottineau Park. This summer there are numerous programs being offered, many of which are free. Below is a short sampling of what the park will have available this summer. For more information, call 370-4958.

- Rec Plus (ages 6-12)
- Parent & Baby Yoga
- Tiny Tots (ages 3-5)
- Summer Field Trips (ages 6-12)
- Basic Bike Repair
- Youth Team Sports
- Open Gvm
- Girl's & Boy's Club
- Adult Open Basketball
- Adult Walking and Jogging
- Active Adults (ages 55+)

Ice Cream Social

The Bottineau Park Ice Cream Social will be held on Thursday, June 16th from 6-8 PM. Volunteers are needed for this event. Call 370-4958.

Skate Park

The Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board is rolling out a skate park at Bottineau Park. The slab is poured and now it is time to select the equipment! If you are a skater that lives near Bottineau Park please join park staff on June 2, 2005 at 6:30 pm at Bottineau Park to discuss what type of equipment you'd like at the park.

Contact Jennifer Ringold at 612 230 6464 or check the Park Board web site www.minneapolisparks.org for more details.

New director

Bottineau Park has a new Director. His name is Nelson Evenrud and he has worked with the Park Board for nearly 20 years. He comes to us from Harrison Park where he was the director since 2001. He is married and has a seven month old child. Please stop by and welcome him to the neighborhood.

Edgewater

The Minneapolis Park Board has received \$1.6 million from the Mississippi Watershed management District to implement the master plan for this park. According to the Park Board web-site, detailed design was to occur during the winter and spring of 2005 with construction in late 2005 to early 2006. If you have questions or comments, we suggest you call Parks Commissioner Dzeidzic at 230-6443.

Gluek

The latest word from the Environmental Protection Agency is that the clean up will take place this summer. No specific date has been set, but Sonja Vega, Federal On Scene Coordinator for the EPA, has said the clean up will begin in early June.



BNA Housing Committee

The Housing Committee will be holding its first meeting of the year. If you would like to find out what has been done, where we are, and want to help shape how the NRP II housing goals are met then come to this meeting.

Tuesday, May 24th
7PM at Eastside Neighborhood Services
Room 125

Yummy, homemade refreshments provided.

Email Reminders for BNA Meetings

The Bottineau Neighborhood Association has implemented an online calendar that can be reached from the 'Events' page on our website:

www.bottineauneighborhood.org

You can also register to receive meeting reminders via email. The registration is free and we will not use your email for any other purpose other than the automated email reminders

About Vehicle Parking

Cities and counties of all sizes have ordinances prohibiting parking vehicles on unpaved surfaces. Minneapolis is no exception. There are several reasons for this. Vehicles contain many fluids that, if leaked, may contaminate the environment. Cars and trucks parked in yards can also create a visibility hazard for police and fire. And, parking in yards is unsightly and takes away from the attractiveness of our neighborhood.

Acceptable surfaces for parking include asphalt, concrete, brick pavers, or four inched of Class 5 crushed limestone. There are also new permeable materials that allow rain water to filter into the ground instead of entering the storm sewer system. Use of these materials may also qualify you for a 50% credit on your storm water utility fee. Call the Storm water Utility Office at 673-2766 for more information.

Northeast Community Job Fair

St. Paul's Lutheran Church is sponsoring this free event where you can meet area employers and find out what opportunities are available for youth and adults.

The Job Fair will be held on

Thursday, June 9th
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm
At St. Paul's Lutheran Church
724 Lowry Avenue NE
(2 blocks west of Central Avenue)

For more information call 781-1731.



Eastside Food Cooperative NE Farmers' Market

Once again, the Eastside Food Cooperative will sponsor the Northeast Farmer's Market. The market hours are

> Saturdays, June thru October, from 9am to 1pm

The market is conveniently located on University Avenue at the St. Boniface Church parking lot (the corner of 7th & University). This market proudly features growers that use sustainable farming methods. Among the things you can find at the market are: locally grown vegetables, fruits, flowers, plants, honey, free-range chicken, pork and beef, specialty breads, baked goods, fair-trade coffee, art, and more. Call 788-0950 for more information.

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 minneapolisparks.org

Minnesota Pollution Control Agency pca.state.mn.us

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

Community Events

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Mark Your Calendars



- 5/20 Art-a-Whirl (Friday through Sunday)
- 5/24 BNA Housing Committee Meeting 7 PM at Eastside Neighborhood Services Room 125
- 5/26 BNA Neighborhood Meeting
 7:00 PM at Eastside Neighborhood Services
 (1700 2nd Street)
 Topic: Proposed residential development for the 24xx block of 2nd Street.

- 6/2 Bottineau Skate Park Meeting 6:30 PM at Botineau Park Help design the skate park equipment
- 6/11 Breakfast with Councilman Samuels 9:00 – 11:00 AM Mill City Café
- 6/14 BNA Board of Directors Meeting 6:00 PM BNA Office, 2205 California #107
- 6/26 BNA Neighborhood Meeting
 7:00 PM at Eastside Neighborhood Services
 (1700 2nd Street)
 Guest: Hennepin County Attorney Eric
 McDonald Introduction to Property Crimes
 Prosecution

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

The Bottineau Neighborhood Association through a grant from Community Planning and Economic Development publishes the Bottineau Gazette. For more information or for deadlines, please call 782-2145.