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BOTTINEAU GAZETTE

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Election Results

Bottineau Neighborhood Association

While the results of the neighborhood general election were never really in question with two candidates running for two open seats, we would still like to extend a welcome to Noelle DeHapporte to the BNA Board of Directors and a welcome back to David Salmela, who was originally appointed to fill out the remaining term Of Leslie Perez, who moved out east to attend graduate school.

At the November BNA Board of Directors meeting, the directors elected Board Officers from amongst themselves. BNA Officers for the 2005/06 year are:

President: Jason Kettlewell
Vice President: Tim Kremer
Treasurer: Jane Calvin
Secretary: David Salmela

Minneapolis, Ward 3, Precinct 6

According to results published on the Minneapolis web site, 31% of the registered voters of the 6th Precinct of Minneapolis Ward 3 turned out to vote in the Minneapolis general election. This is one percent better than the City average. The 3rd Ward as a whole did not fare as well. Only 22% of registered voters turned out at the polls. The only precinct in the 3rd Ward with a better percentage turnout was the 5th.

Of the 14 winning candidates on the ballot, Bottineau voters supported 13.

NOTICE

There are no neighborhood meetings scheduled for November or December.

Instead, Please join us and other 3rd Ward neighborhoods in a 'farewell' reception* for Councilman Samuels on
Wednesday, November 30th
from 6:30-9:00 PM at
Gabby's Saloon and Eatery
(1900 Marshall Street)

*appetizers and cash bar

Farewell Reception

Because of redistricting of Minneapolis City Wards based on the 2000 census, Councilman Samuels was 'relocated' to the 5th Ward. As a way for both the neighborhoods to thank him for his representation and for him to thank the neighborhoods for their support, BNA is leading the coordination of an informal 'Farewell Reception' for Councilman Samuels on Wednesday, November 30th from 6:30-9:00 PM at Gabby's Saloon and Eatery.

This is an opportunity to meet the Councilman and people from the eight neighborhoods that made up the majority of the 'old' Third Ward.



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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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Bottineau voters supported the winners in all races except Library Board, where they supported five of the six winners.

Ward 3, Precinct 6 had 2,229 pre-registered voters. 68 people registered at the polls. 700 ballots were cast at the polling station, and 18 absentee ballots were returned.

For much more detailed information, including detailed tallies for all the precincts, see the City Minneapolis' web site:

www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/elections

Call for Art

Local artists to be featured on the Eastside Food Co-op building in a new public art gallery: The 4x8 Gallery.

The Eastside Food Co-op has always been enthusiastic about showing the work of local artists. The 4x8 Gallery hopes to continue that commitment by featuring the work of emerging, local artists who share Eastside's mission of building community through volunteerism, neighborhood investment and local participation.

The co-op is asking for proposals for two-dimensional paintings to be hung on the outside North wall of the building. Five original works will be selected. The pieces will be painted on a 4-8 foot piece of plywood and secured to the outside of the building. One artist will be selected to design a t-shirt to be used as a fundraiser for the Gallery.

Applications can be picked up at the eastside Food Co-op any day from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. The co-op is located at 2551 Central Avenue.

City Living: Housing Loans for Minneapolis Residents

The City of Minneapolis offers mortgage loans and two types of home improvement loans through its *CityLiving* Program, a joint effort between the City of Minneapolis and the City of Saint Paul in partnership with Fannie Mae.

CityLiving loans offer homebuyers an opportunity to purchase Minneapolis homes at an interest rate that historically has ranked well below market rates. The *CityLiving* program also offers free Homebuyer Education Workshops through the Home Ownership Center. The workshops provide first-time homebuyers comprehensive information to prepare them for home ownership. The workshops are offered in English, Spanish, Hmong and Cambodian. Bilingual counselors or interpreters are also available for other languages.

CityLiving offers down payment assistance to qualified homebuyers in Minneapolis. Loans are \$1,000 to \$10,000 and are forgiven at a rate of 20 percent per year.

For information on *CityLiving*, call 612-673-5282.

The City of Minneapolis offers interest-free loans for code abatements for households that are within 50 percent of the median income for this metropolitan area. The maximum loan amount is \$20,000. The loan is repaid at the time the house is sold.

The City offers amortizing loans at 1 percent interest for home repairs. The Maximum term is 20 years. The maximum loan is \$25,000. The maximum income to qualify for this loan is 80 percent of the median income for the metropolitan area. This loan can only be used to complete code repairs.

To access these last two loans, contact Greater Metropolitan Housing Corporation at 612-378-7985.

Bottineau Park

As of this writing, most of the long awaited landscaping other updates planned in 2000 are complete. The new sidewalks are in, a small rain garden has been installed, some additional safety improvements have been made and the tennis/sand volley ball courts are on their way in. The skate park installation has also been completed. Judging by the amount of people using it already, it is a welcome addition to the park.

Because it is now November, BNA, Bottineau Park staff, and the MPRB will wait until next spring to have a new rededication party for the park. The current thinking is that it will be in early May. Stay tuned for more updates.

Edgewater Park

The MPRB held a second public meeting to present additional design refinements at Bottineau Park on the 6th of October. This meeting was better attended than the previous one which was held at Park Board headquarters.

Those in attendance seemed quite pleased with the latest version of the design. According to information published on the Park Board's web site, the design will now be fully detailed in construction documents, and cost estimates will be prepared to ensure that the project fits within the available budget. It will then be publicly advertised for bids for a three-week period, probably in January. It is likely that the "bid package" will be structured with a menu of several construction alternates which can be individually selected to optimize the use of funds. Construction should start in April or May of 2006 and be complete by mid-fall.

The MPRB has posted many more details about the design on their web site:

www.minneapolisparcs.org/documents/design/edgewater10-6.pdf

Sweet Corn Cake

Here it is, the long awaited recipe for the Sweet Corn Cake brought to the [month] meeting by BNA Board member Jason Kettlewell.

Preheat oven to 375 F

Ingredients:

1/2 c. Butter (at room temp)

1/3 c. Masa Harina

1/4 c. lukewarm water

1 1/2 c. frozen corn (thawed, nibblets work best)

1/4 c. corn meal

1/3 c. sugar

2 tbs. heavy cream

1/4 tsp. salt

1/2 tsp. baking powder

Directions:

In a medium mixing bowl, beat butter, Masa Harina(*) and Water until combined. Stir in the corn. Stir in the cornmeal and set aside. In a separate small mixing bowl mix the Sugar, Cream, Salt, and Baking Powder thoroughly with a wire whisk. Stir the cream mixture to the corn mixture and stir by hand.

Empty the mixture in to an 8"x8" pan. Put this pan inside a 9"x16" pan. Fill the 9"x16" pan with water up to 1/2" below the lip of the smaller pan. Do not allow the sides of the pans to touch. This makes a type of double boiler. Bake for 40-50 minutes or until the surface starts to brown. Be very careful when removing the pans from the oven, the water will be boiling and can bubble over the edge of the pan onto your potholders and or hands. It's best to pull out the oven rack and let the water cool a bit before removing the corn cake.

(*)Note: Masa Harina is a powdery (corn) meal sold in many chain supermarkets and nearly all Mexican groceries.

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

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

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Mark Your Calendars



Have a safe and happy
Holiday Season.

- 11/24 Thanksgiving
- 11/30 Farewell Reception for Councilman Samuels
6:30-9:00 PM
Gabby's Saloon & Eatery
- 12/6 Industrial Land Use and Policy Study
Meeting
7:00 PM at Eastside Neighborhood Services
- 12/13 BNA Board of Directors Meeting
6:00 PM
BNA Office (2205 California St #107)

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

Community Events

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.