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BOTTINEAU GAZETTE

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Bottineau Neighborhood Association

Board of Directors:

- vacant
- Tim Kremer
- Jane Calvin
- David Salmela
- Noelle DeHarportte
- Isabelle Harder
- Mary p



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Elections Issue

It's election time again. November 7th is the general election. Bottineau voters will be casting votes for at least:

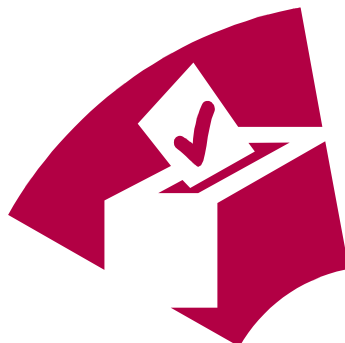
- Federal Offices (Representative)
- State Offices (Senate & Representative)
- State Constitutional Amendment
- County Offices (Attorney, Commissioner, Sheriff)
- City of Minneapolis Charter Question
- Four of seven Directors of the Minneapolis School Board.

For specific details, we recommend the following City web site:

www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/elections/whats-on-the-ballot.asp

It is also time to elect four of seven Directors of the Bottineau Neighborhood Association. There are six nominees for these positions. On the following pages you will find a small photo and short essay by each candidate. **Please complete the enclosed ballot and return it to BNA by mail, in person at the BNA office, or bring it to the October neighborhood meeting on Thursday, October 26th at Eastside Neighborhood Services.**

Vote tallying will be completed at this meeting and results announced.



NOTICE

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

Presentation on possible development on 18xx University Avenue (some new information); and final tally and announcement of **new BNA Directors.**

Light refreshments served

Isabelle Harder



I'm a Bottineau resident and homeowner on Marshall Street for the past 8 years. I believe in building a strong community, sustainable living, and discovering ways to meet and connect with my neighbors. I've organized community activities in my past term. I helped organize The Mississippi River Clean up, National Night Out and the annual Pumpkin Carving event. I'm also a strong supporter of the arts in our neighborhood.

I'm also looking forward to working on a master plan for our neighborhood that explores a clear direction with regards to future developments. Some ideas include: exploring solutions to reduce vacant

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Phone

Police, Fire and Medical
Emergency
911

Minneapolis City Info:
311

Bottineau Neighborhood
Association
782-2145

3rd 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

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homes, insuring a healthy balance of home ownership verses rental properties, and promoting businesses that are locally owned and operated.

I want to help develop a neighborhood where the youth have activities and feel safe. I'm looking forward to enjoying Gluek Park again in the spring and the improvements at Edgewater Park.

Timothy Kremer



My name is Timothy Kremer. I purchased my first home on 22nd Ave NE and could not be prouder. I have served the last three years on the BNA Board of Directors, most of that time as the Board President. I have enjoyed meeting my neighbors through National Night Out, membership meetings, and focus groups. I look forward to continuing using my skills in serving Bottineau.

I believe in creating a stronger and safer community by building networks among neighbors. It was a group of neighbors who worked with the BNA and Gasthof's to mitigate some of their impact on the neighborhood. This approach may help alleviate the impact from Gabby's on the other side of Bottineau. I am able to facilitate these dialogues and reach enforceable conclusions that all parties can abide.

I believe in a vibrant and healthier Bottineau. I have helped work on the renovation of Gluek Park, to maintain mature trees and remove the asbestos. Edgewater Park has received significant monies from the Watershed District to enhance everyone's river experience. I have also hosted several meetings for the 18th Street bike path project, and we expect to have federal funding for that project soon. I advocate for taking advantage of these amenities and the wonderful Bottineau Park Building.

> **Kremer**

Thank you for selecting me to serve another term on the Bottineau Neighborhood Association's Board of Directors.

John Nakagawa



I work as a cabinetmaker. I have volunteered on campaigns for City Council and State House and to organize a couriers' union in San Francisco. I have also worked as a community radio reporter. I have a pretty good head for and an interest in government process and public policy. I have lived in Northeast for six years now, three of those have been in Bottineau. I would like to conserve the historic character of our neighborhood. Facing increasing development pressure, I think we should expect that any new construction should contribute something to the quality of the neighborhood.

If elected to the board I would feel obliged to consider the best interests of all our neighbors, whether or not they are "plugged in" to the process. I've never lived anywhere else where I got to know so many of my neighbors. I would be pleased to represent them.

Aaron Neumann



Thank you for being committed to Bottineau Neighborhood! I acknowledge you for actively taking part in shaping your future and the future of our neighborhood. Open communication, cooperation, and the full

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participation of as many voices and viewpoints as possible *is* grassroots democracy, and is what leads us to solutions to complex challenges that we face as a community. Ultimately, I believe, it is the context from which we organize.

I'm Aaron Neumann, an independent community activist living here in Northeast for the past six years. I ran for City Council in Ward 3 (Green Party) last year and received 30% of the vote after the primary in the general election. Politics aside, I feel it is vitally important for everyone to work together so that we create the most livable, just and peaceful community possible.

I live with my wife, Noelle DeHarpporte, on Marshall Ave. right next Gabby's and on the Mississippi River with our large white dog Mo. There are so many issues that are important to us and that affect our neighborhood, from environmental and noise pollution, to public safety concerns such as the traffic, crime and violence that plague our city. These are real concerns that *everyone* in our neighborhood faces - a diversity that spans artists, homeowners, renters, local businesses, immigrants, students and others from across all backgrounds.

As I knocked on our neighbors doors last Fall, it became evident how essential it is to put our neighborhood needs first - that our planning drives development and not the other way around. I learned that all of our new developments must be geared to be pedestrian friendly, ecologically wise, and have quality in the public realm.

It is these issues, among others, that I'm committed to making a difference in through my participation and service on the Bottineau Neighborhood Association Board of Directors, and I ask for your support at our Neighborhood Meeting. Thanks for your consideration.

Race justified social inequalities as natural. The "common sense" belief in white superiority justified anti-democratic action and policies like slavery, the extermination of American Indians, the exclusion of Asian immigrants, the taking of Mexican lands, and the institutionalization of racial practices within American government, laws, and society.

Joseph Walker



Hello my name is Joseph Walker address is 2316 California Street NE. I have decided to run for board member in Bottineau. My family has had ties with Bottineau neighborhood since 1960. I moved from 3201 NE Cleveland April 2006. I was president of (Grandparents Preserving Families) GPF for several years. Delegate with DFL since 1998. Involved with schools, parks, and other locations in regard to safe zone signs. Involved with closing business that sell drug paraphernalia to our children. Involved with putting drug dealers and sex offenders in jail. I have and will continue to close down crack houses, and write letters to our elected officials. I keep hearing this has been going on for years and you cannot stop the illegal activities. At present it takes about 18 months to stop illegal activities after I get involved. I believe that if I am elected the illegal activities will stop within 6 months or less. There is one opening on the board for only one year. If I cannot get illegal activities out of this community (Bottineau) within one year I will not run again.

Daniel Wovcha



I have lived in the Bottineau neighborhood for 16 years and based on my residency feel the following issues are most important for maintaining and improving the neighborhood as a desirable place to live:

- Reducing noise and other problems affiliated with Gabby's.

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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- Reducing crime in general and providing a safe place for children and other residents
- Encouraging economic development through promotion of living and working spaces for artists and small businesses.
- Ensuring that future development along University and Lowry avenues is on a scale compatible with the neighborhood and improves walkability in the neighborhood.
- Ensuring that any future development of apartment or other multi-unit buildings is compatible with the neighborhood in character and scale.
- Improving the condition of existing housing stock and buildings & preventing any loss of older, historic structures.
- Promoting owner-occupied housing. Ensuring that owners of rental property are engaged in the neighborhood and responsible to neighbors.
- Reducing air and noise pollution from sources in or near the neighborhood.
- Greening the neighborhood and calming traffic on side streets as well as major streets

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