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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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September 2006

BNA Annual Meeting

BNA typically takes July and August off as far as neighborhood meetings go. Usually, there is not a whole lot that goes on during this time. This year is an exception. Please join other Bottineau residents, business and property owners for the BNA Annual Meeting on Thursday, September 28th.

Our guests include:

- Sonia Vega from the Environmental Protection Agency for an update on the asbestos clean up at Gluek Park,
- A representative from the Northeast Citizens Patrol (NECP) to talk about starting a patrol group in Bottineau and,

We will also have an update from Jon Oyanagi, MPRB River District Supervisor, on Edgewater Park and plans for both parks in 2007.

The BNA Board also invites those interested to hear and provide feedback on some options to address the issues created by Gabby's patrons particularly on Thursday and Saturday nights.

The last item on the agenda will be nominations for the BNA Board of Directors. There are four open seats this year. Three of the open seats are for expiring terms. The last is to fill the remainder of the term left vacant by the resignation of Jason Kettlewell earlier this year. Board terms are three years, but the term for the vacant seat is only one year.

Light refreshments will be served.

NOTICE

BNA Neighborhood Meeting
Thursday, September 28th, 7:00 PM
Eastside Neighborhood Services
(1700 2nd Street NE)

Updates on **Gluek** and **Edgewater** Parks; presentation from the **Northeast Citizens Patrol**; discussion about Gabby's **issues**; and nominations for BNA **Board of Directors**

Light refreshments served

Home Improvement Funds Still Available

Even after the initial rush of applicants, there is still funding left for home improvements to residential properties in the Bottineau neighborhood – both for owner occupied and rental properties. For application materials, call the Center for Energy and Environment at 612-335-5884. If you have to leave a message, please remember to mention it is the Bottineau neighborhood. If you have access to the internet, you can download all the materials from www.mncee.org. Applications will be taken on a first come first served basis.



Phone

Northeast Citizens Patrol

By Shelly Leeson

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

The Northeast Citizen Patrol (NECP) was formed late last summer. The NECP started with one or two neighborhood walking groups in Audubon, and has now grown to include multiple walking groups in Audubon, Beltrami, Holland, Sheridan, Waite Park and Windom Park virtually every evening/night of the week. The neighborhood walking groups are a visible deterrent to crime, and they get neighbors communicating and working together to solve problems in their neighborhoods. The NECP is the extra eyes and ears for the police.

In addition to the neighborhood walking groups, the NECP has formed a Problem Properties task force that is focusing on action-based solutions to effectively address problem properties.

What can you do? You can participate with your neighbors in establishing the NECP in your neighborhood. It's easy, it's fun, it's healthy and you get to meet some really great people! The NECP also distributes a weekly e-newsletter which contains crime stats for each neighborhood and contains news about other public safety issues that affect you. Sign up to receive the weekly crime alerts and crime stats by emailing info@nepatrol.org.

The mission of the NECP is to unite all Northeast neighborhoods in crime fighting unity. We must let the criminal element know that we are united in our efforts to harden the target of Northeast to criminals. The NECP will help you get started with neighborhood walking groups, and you will receive the support of the NECP network and resources to help you address crime and problem properties in your neighborhood.

To be or not to be, a Director

With apologies to Mr. Shakespeare

Many may be wondering what it is to be a member of the Board of Directors for a non-profit corporation. In the most legalistic form, there are three responsibilities of a nonprofit board: Care, Loyalty and Obedience. In other words, work for the best interests of corporation in a normally prudent manner, put the organization first and avoid situations that might create conflicts, and obey the laws and rules governing the organization. Pretty easy really.



For BNA, these translate into English as: 1) oversee the general business of BNA, 2) attend Board meetings, 3) volunteer at neighborhood events, 4) share your ideas, 5) encourage others, and 6) be positive and have fun.

Here is a list of a few things BNA will be working on or continuing in the next year;

- Home Improvement Program
- Gluek and Edgewater Parks re-opening
- Earth Day / River Clean Up
- Block Club Organizing
- Fall Neighborhood Appreciation Party
- Comprehensive Land Use Study
- Environmental and Arts Programs

We ask all nominees to write a few words about why they want to be on the Board for publication in the October *Gazette* where we include an election ballot. If you have questions, call 612-782-2145.

Race and Freedom were born together. The U.S. was founded on the principle that "All men are created equal," but the county's early economy was based largely on slavery. The new idea of race helped explain why some people could be denied the rights and freedoms that others took for granted

Bottineau Park News

Mark your calendar now. Halloween night, October 31st from 5:30 – 7:30 Park staff welcome the neighborhood for a haunted house (and less scary area for the younger children) refreshments and of course candy.

Adult Stretch and Strengthen class starts soon. This class is on Wednesdays from 6:30 – 8 p.m. and features elements of Pilates and professional instruction. \$15 fee.

Bottineau Park now offers the Rec+ program both before and after school. The before school program is from 6:30 – 9:30 a.m. and the after school program is from 2 – 6 p.m. Applications are now being accepted. Financial assistance is available.

Coaches are needed for winter volleyball and basketball. No experience necessary.

Call Bottineau Park at 370-4958 for more information.

Third Annual Historic Northeast Family Fun Day.

The St. Anthony West Neighborhood Organization is again sponsoring this Family Fun Day on Saturday October 7th. A timed, 5k run/walk through historic Northeast Minneapolis along the Mississippi River and over the Stone Arch Bridge with the backdrop of autumn colors begins at 9:00 a.m. at Boom Island Park. In the evening share a relaxing time with your neighbors that includes wine tasting, hors d'oeuvres, silent auction and live music from 7 p.m. – 11 p.m. at Elsie's Banquet Room. Funds raised go to the B.F. Nelson Park Project and other St. Anthony West neighborhood activities.

For race information contact Pete at 612-310-6151. For more information about the evening event at Elsie's, contact Joyce at 612-623-0257.

Park and Recreation Board Town Meetings

The Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board (MPRB) is developing a comprehensive plan to map the course of the park system's future. The comprehensive plan will define priorities for the allocation of resources and delivery of services to create a park system alert to the needs of the community and integral to a thriving city. City residents and park users are invited to attend a town meeting. The Park Board wishes to learn what residents and park users believe to be the recreation and open space needs of the community. Children and teens are also invited to the town meetings. MPRB staff will provide fun, engaging age-appropriate activities designed to capture kids' thoughts ideas about today's and future parks.

Community members and park visitors are invited to complete a brief MPRB questionnaire, which is available online until October 15. To participate in the online survey, find the link at the MPRB web site (www.minneapolisparcs.org) by clicking on the 'Comprehensive Plan' link on the left side of the web page. All Minneapolis households should also have received a map and questionnaire. Questionnaires are also available at Bottineau Park.

The next three town meetings are:

Tuesday, September 19th
Van Cleeve Park (901 15th Ave SE)
6:30 – 8:30 PM

Thursday, September 21st
Powderhorn Park (3400 15th Ave S)
6:30 – 8:30 PM

Saturday, September 23rd
Lynnhurst Park (1345 W Minnehaha Pkwy)
11:00 AM – 1:00 PM



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

Mark Your Calendars



- 9/23 1st Day of Rosh Hashanah
- 9/24 Ramadan Begins
- 9/28 BNA (Annual) Neighborhood Meeting
7:00 PM
Eastside Neighborhood Services
1700 2nd Street NE
- 10/7 NE Family Fund Day (see article on page 3)
- 10/10 BNA Board of Directors Meeting
6:00 PM
BNA Offices (2205 California St)

10/26 BNA Neighborhood Meeting
7:00 PM
Eastside Neighborhood Services
1700 2nd St NE



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