

BOTTINEAU GAZETTE

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Support Your Local Artists

It's been said that the purpose of an artist is to share their vision, to be a witness to what is being offered in their lifetime in the world around them. In Bottineau Neighborhood, the best place to witness these artistic visions is at the **California Building** (2205 California St. NE), where local artists not only create art, but also open their studios to art purchasers and admirers on a regular basis. It's also a big part of what makes our neighborhood an attractive and exciting place to live or visit.

On the weekend before Thanksgiving, twenty plus studios and more than 40 artists will be opening their doors for the California Building's third annual holiday season art event: *California Dreamin' Total Art Rush*.

There are award winning artists in this building that have shown internationally and have works in national galleries and collections throughout the United States. You can also discover emerging artists that have affordable work for buyers just beginning their collections. The wonderful diversity of artists at the California Building offer a wide variety of art for anyone who wants to give a home to original work: classical realism, abstract, modern art; ceramic art and pottery; jewelry; photography; and more. Or, if you just simply appreciate art without wanting to make a purchase, come and visit with the artists in their studios, the environment



where they struggle and triumph in the process of creating their art.

It's free and open to all. Meet artists in the studios, see fresh work, engage in lively conversation, share new ideas, enjoy refreshments, do some Christmas shopping, and, perhaps, add to your own art collection. Either way, come and enjoy 6 floors of artists working in a variety of media, and enjoy the lively atmosphere. You can even stop by the BNA office (in Suite 107) and say hello—we'll be there on Saturday.

Date/Time: Friday, November 21, 5:00 - 10:00 PM & Saturday, November 22, Noon - 8:00 PM

Phone

Police, Fire and Medical Emergency: 911

Minneapolis City Info: 311

Bottineau Neighborhood Association 367-7262

3rd Ward Councilmember Frey 673-2203

Hennepin County Commissioner Higgens 348-7882

Parks Commissioner Wielinski 230-6443

Bottineau Park 370-4958

Family Violence, Domestic Abuse, Child Abuse 673-3072

Housing Inspections 673-5858

East Side Neighborhood Services (ESNS) 781-6011

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

Air Quality Affects Everyone

A group of concerned and dedicated volunteers have come together over the odors and emissions from the GAF Roofing Plant at 50 Lowry Ave N. Following the Oct. 2 meeting in Bottineau, local residents—from both sides of the river— met in Marshall Terrace neighborhood on Oct. 23. There has been progress, and this is what we have learned.

GAF engineers have assessed the burn cycle of the plant's incinerator and found that the manual trigger of the burn cycles may be causing spikes in emissions. GAF has promised to install an automated burn device by March 31 (costing over \$500,000, by plant estimates) that will level out the incineration of chemicals derived from the process of heating tar and asphalt to manufacture roofing shingles. More specifically, the plant collects, condenses and stores the resulting fumes in cylinders until there is enough to warrant a burn-off.

The MPCA has agreed to keep an air monitor in place through December 31, 2014, collecting samples—every 6 days for 24 hours—which will then be analyzed. Unfortunately the GAF plant will be mostly closed during this quarter, operating at low capacity (if at all) and sampling will be less useful than if the plant were operating at full production. Still, the MPCA has agreed to do "grab samples" that will test the ambient air quality before and after the new incinerator devise is deployed to see if it there is an improvement.

To this point, MPCA has sent Permit Inspector, Brent Bohne, and most recently Supervisor of Air Monitoring, Rick Strassman, to educate the public regarding what, under the terms of the permit, is allowed to be incinerated, and what the limits are of MPCA's air monitoring protocols. The permit tracks only 10 pollutants out of approximately 5000 that could be carcinogens or irritants that aggravate breathing conditions like asthma.

We have a right to know the full composition of what is being burned in GAF's incinerator. To get that list, there is a public information process that must be followed. As a result, volunteers have formed a strategy group that will meet every few weeks to deal with this issue until the problem is resolved to neighborhood satisfaction. Their first meeting was held on Nov. 3, and they have been invited by the MPCA to become part of a larger, city-wide environmental impact group.

If you want to sign up for this committee, please contact Shari Seymour at CCMT568@msn.com, or Nancy Przymus at bna@bottineauneighborhood.org

Bicycle Rack Cost Share Program

Do you own a business, non-profit, apartment complex, or other private building? The City of Minneapolis operates a program to install public bicycle racks at private enterprises throughout the city. The program involves a 50/50 cost share at eligible locations. In addition, funds are available to install bike racks free of charge for public facilities such as schools, libraries and parks.

For more information, go to: http://tinyurl.com/corral-application

Pumpkin Carving Fun!



On Saturday, October 25th, Bottineau Park Recreation Center hosted its annual Pumpkin Carving event for neighborhood children. As usual, the kids had a wonderful time, more than 35 pumpkins were creatively transformed into Jack-o-lanterns, and all the leftovers went home with neighborhood residents to become pumpkin pies or still more Jack-o-lanterns.

Even the leftover seeds ...



... found a home with neighborhood residents!

Many people worked to make this a success. River Liquor Store owner, **Bob Marget**, donated his truck to pick up and deliver the pumpkins; **John and Jennifer Olson** helped

with the delivery, which was a BIG job. But the task was made easier by the generous efforts of the **Bottineau Boys Basketball Team**, who made short work of unloading the pumpkin pallet from the back of the truck to the park building.



The entire job was done in less than ten minutes—team work really does pay off!

As always, **Sentyrz Ethic Grocery** helped provide the pumpkins. Thank you everyone!

Remember the Park Benches?

You know, the ones that in 2013 we, as a community, voted to spend BNA funds on for Bottineau Park? Well, they've finally been installed!



So, if we do get another nice day this year, head to the park and enjoy!

Websites

Bottineau Neighborhood Association

bottineauneighborhood.org

Minneapolis www.minneapolismn.gov

3rd Ward www.minneapolismn.gov/ ward3

Inspections
www.minneapolismn.gov/
inspections

Hennepin County co.hennepin.mn.us

Park Board minneapolisparks.org

Minnesota Pollution Control Agency www.pca.state.mn.us

Public Education NE publicedne.blogspot.com

Friends of the Mississippi fmr.org

NE Minneapolis Arts Association nemaa.org

Northeast Investment Cooperative neic.coop

MN State Legislature www.leg.state.mn.us

Minneapolis Crime Alerts www.minneapolismn.gov/ police/crimealert

Eureka Recycling twincitiesfreemarket.org

Federal Trade Commission www.ftc.gov

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Mark Your Calendars



11/11 BNA Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m. 2205 California St NE, Suite 107 (Call 612-801-7834 if door is locked)

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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.

Public Hearing of the City Planning Commission

Amending Title 20 of the Minneapolis Housing Code to establish regulations for accessory dwelling units on a citywide basis.

The City Planning Commission will meet on Monday, November 10, 2014, at 4:30 p.m., in Room 317 City Hall, 350 S. 5th St., Minneapolis, MN.

Interested parties are invited to attend and be heard. After consideration of the recommendation from the CPED Planning staff and public testimony, the City Planning Commission will make a determination based on required legal findings of fact. Please visit www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/cped/agendas/planning-commission/ for the agenda with staff reports.

Note: "Accessory dwelling units" are "Grandmother Apartments." For more information, please visit http://bottineauneighborhood.org/grandmother-apartments/