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# BOTTINEAU GAZETTE

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## Bottineau Beautiful: Honoring Earth Day on April 18

It's time for spring cleaning! Every year BNA and the Northeast RiverKeepers join forces to clean up both the neighborhood *and* the Mississippi shoreline.

Here's what's going down this year:

On Saturday April 18 at 9am, volunteers will meet at Gluek Park for a lite breakfast provided by Psycho Suzi's. River Liquor Store will provide juice and soda. While we gather and eat, Mississippi National Park Service rangers will be on hand for education purposes, as well as other fine groups like the Mississippi Water Management Organization, the Mississippi River Fund, Friends of the Mississippi and Three Rivers Park District. Then we'll get busy: volunteers will provide the labor, BNA will provide work gloves and bags. City garbage trucks will leave the park at 9:30 sharp to scour the neighborhood for disposable junk. Children and teens are welcome to join us.

Neighborhood clean-up includes anything non-hazardous that Bottineau residents want to throw out. Yes, get rid of that old sofa and broken snow shovel. BNA has two city garbage trucks coming. One will pick up household items such as beds, carpet, trash, glass, and pet poop, etc. The other truck is for metal items and appliances that include

## Bottineau Beautiful River & Neighborhood Clean-up

Saturday, April 18  
9 a.m. to Noon  
Gluek Park  
2000 Marshall St



(Breakfast too!)

mattresses, TVs, computers, pipe, AC units, lawn mowers, etc. BNA elves will also pick up tires.

**You can help.** Put out your items and thank the volunteers when they come by. Or, if you are able, be one of the elves that clean up our neighborhood. Call the BNA office at 612-367-7262, or fill out the volunteer form at our website:

<http://bottineauneighborhood.org/volunteer>

Or just show up. Many hands make for light work—and the people attached to those hands usually have a good time, too!

## Community Connections

This year, the annual Community Connections Conference theme was "Community Engagement: The Art of Placemaking." Bottineau turned our booth into *Making Community through Art*. All in all, it was a great

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# Phone

Police, Fire and Medical  
Emergency:  
911

Minneapolis City Info:  
311

Bottineau Neighborhood  
Association  
367-7262

3<sup>rd</sup> Ward Councilmember  
Frey  
673-2203

Hennepin County  
Commissioner Higgins  
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

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success. BNA board member Liz Reiser and Board President Mariam Slayhi took advantage of the conference to gather ideas for new neighborhood projects while Aldo Moroni led a group of Bottineau youth (below) in building a city out of clay.

Budding Bottineau Artists ...



... making Community through Art



Under Aldo's guiding hand, our booth proved to be so engaging that other youth and adults stopped by to help make the city of clay. Thanks to Bottineau Park staff, De Marlon Choice and Kelsey Swofford, for their team leadership with the youth.

The City of Minneapolis provided a delicious lunch featuring, Sambusa, Indian tacos, BBQ and cornbread, tamales, wontons and many more delights. A good time was had by all.

## EEQL: What is it?

Eastside Environmental Quality of Life (EEQL) is a group of concerned residents from around the Lowry Bridge—on both sides of the River—that are tired of the noxious smells and air pollution that residents and workers are exposed to day in and day out, year round, in this part of the city. If the MPCA is to change air permits to include regulation of carcinogenic and asthma causing VOCs (volatile organic compounds) and semi-VOCs that are coming out of the GAF shingle and asphalt plant, **EEQL has to prove there is a basis for that change.**

For that reason, BNA has applied for an intern from the University of Minnesota's Center for Urban and Regional Affairs (CURA) to help us understand the health effects of living under this cloud of pollutants. Sometime around April 15<sup>th</sup>, we'll find out if our application is successful. In the meantime, **please keep calling 311** when the air is noxious because the City is logging these complaints for us. In addition, **you can join the EEQL group on Facebook** and get connected—we've put a link to their page on the BNA website on the menu bar under "contact". Or you can just login to Facebook and type "EEQL" into the search bar.

## Walking at Bottineau Park's Indoor Track



BNA is sponsoring the Adult Walking program for the months of April and May at Bottineau Park's indoor walking track on Tuesdays from 1-3 PM. The track is a regulation walking track with the proper rubber surface to minimize stress on the body during exercise. 17 laps in the outer lane equals one mile. Coffee and cookies are available for those who want to socialize after track time. Bring a friend or meet new friends.

## Free Horse Manure!

Do you want some horse manure for your garden? If so, send your name and address to BNA's email ([bna@bottineaneighborhood.org](mailto:bna@bottineaneighborhood.org)) or call the office phone (612-367-7262) and tell us how much you want. The manure comes in 40 pound bags and is **not** heat treated so you'll need to mix it into your soil or compost it before using on the garden.

Horse manure will not "burn" your plants, and many Bottineau gardeners have used it in prior years with great success. In fact, this manure—from Pegasus Riding School in Medina—is completely organic with no pass-through medicines or antibiotics in the mix. They also keep the manure of sick horses separate from that of the healthy ones.

BNA will pick up the manure in Medina and deliver it directly to your yard or garden, but we'll need one more strong volunteer. Call or write today to put in your order or to volunteer.



The Aliveness Project is sponsoring their 21<sup>st</sup> annual Dining Out For Life (DOL) event on April 30<sup>th</sup>. This year, 220 restaurants in the Twin Cities, Duluth, Lanesboro and Mankato are participating in this event by donating a portion of their profits to services that support people living with HIV/AIDS.

These services include hot meal programs, food shelves, integrated therapies, health and wellness, case management and a variety of other beneficial programs. Local Northeast restaurants helping out with this worthy project include: The Sample Room, Elsie's, Stanley's, Northeast Social, Erte and Peacock Lounge, Kramarczuk's Sausage Co., Hazels, Lush Food Bar, and Sen Yai Sen Lek.

Last year, Dining Out For Life raised over \$257,000 and attracted 37,000 individual diners. This year, their goal is \$275,000 and 40,000 diners. So, make a difference, go out to eat at one of these fine restaurants! (Does it get any easier than that?)

For more information, visit their website at [www.aliveness.org/dining-out-life](http://www.aliveness.org/dining-out-life)

## Websites

Bottineau Neighborhood Association  
[bottineaneighborhood.org](http://bottineaneighborhood.org)

Minneapolis  
[www.minneapolismn.gov](http://www.minneapolismn.gov)

3<sup>rd</sup> Ward  
[www.minneapolismn.gov/ward3](http://www.minneapolismn.gov/ward3)

Inspections  
[www.minneapolismn.gov/inspections](http://www.minneapolismn.gov/inspections)

Hennepin County  
[co.hennepin.mn.us](http://co.hennepin.mn.us)

Park Board  
[minneapolisparcs.org](http://minneapolisparcs.org)

Minnesota Pollution Control Agency  
[www.pca.state.mn.us](http://www.pca.state.mn.us)

Public Education NE  
[publicedne.blogspot.com](http://publicedne.blogspot.com)

Friends of the Mississippi  
[fmr.org](http://fmr.org)

NE Minneapolis Arts Association  
[nema.org](http://nema.org)

Northeast Investment Cooperative  
[neic.coop](http://neic.coop)

MN State Legislature  
[www.leg.state.mn.us](http://www.leg.state.mn.us)

Minneapolis Crime Alerts  
[www.minneapolismn.gov/police/crimealert](http://www.minneapolismn.gov/police/crimealert)

Eureka Recycling  
[twincitiesfreemarket.org](http://twincitiesfreemarket.org)

Federal Trade Commission  
[www.ftc.gov](http://www.ftc.gov)

Neighborhood & Community Relations  
[www.minneapolismn.gov/ncr](http://www.minneapolismn.gov/ncr)

## Mark Your Calendars



- 4/14 BNA Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m.  
2205 California St NE, Suite 107  
(Call 612-801-7834 if door is locked)
- 4/18 River & Neighborhood Clean-up  
Meet at Gluek Park, 9 a.m.
- 4/30 Dining Out For Life (see page 3)
- 5/9 Flower Power Day! BNA's annual  
flower give-away event

### ***In History***

April 10, 1872 – The first American Arbor Day was originated in Nebraska City, Nebraska, by J. Sterling Morton. On that day, an estimated one million trees were planted in Nebraska. Today, National Arbor Day is celebrated yearly on the last Friday in April.

April 22, 1970 – The first official U.S. observance of Earth Day, proposed by Sen. Gaylord Nelson, was celebrated as an environmental teach-in, supplanting an earlier version, proposed by peace activist John McConnell, celebrated on March 21 (the first day of Spring) in 1970.

**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.