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# BOTTINEAU GAZETTE

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## Third aWards



Jacob Frey addresses the audience

On February 3, 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward Council Member Jacob Frey gave his 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual State of the Ward address and presented awards in the categories of Leader, Local Business, Neighborhood Project/Initiative, and Youth Leader.

**Bob Marget** (owner of River Liquor Store) and **Jim Rosenberg** (owner of The Sample Room) were each nominated for a "Leader of the Year Award" from Bottineau Neighborhood. Bob Marget's upcoming market rate rental housing and retail business development at the corner of Marshall St NE and Lowry Ave NE was a key factor for his nomination. Jim Rosenberg's efforts to encourage public park land development along the Mississippi River were cited in his nomination. Congratulations to the both of them for their many years of neighborhood leadership.

## Neighborhood Cancer Study Begins

Eastside Environmental Quality of Life (EEQL)—a committee of concerned

## 2016 Community Connections Conference

Saturday, April 2nd  
8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.  
Mpls Convention Center

Free Admission, Free Lunch  
Everyone Encouraged to Attend!

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community members from various Northeast neighborhoods, sponsored by the Bottineau Neighborhood Association—is developing a community survey about occurrences of cancer in neighborhood families.

The survey will take place in the spring and early summer. Volunteers are being trained to do this sensitive survey work in a factual, non-biased manner as the results need to be scientifically verifiable and defensible. They will be interviewing residents who have survived cancer or whose family members have died because of cancer. Currently, EEQL is gathering data from various government agencies such as the Minnesota Department of Health, Minnesota Division of Vital Records, the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, the EPA and other groups. Contact BNA (612-367-7262) if you wish to share your story or if you want to help conduct the survey.

## 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

## Community Connections Conference

*April 2, 2016, 8am-2pm  
Minneapolis Convention Center  
Free Lunch!*

Over the next three years, Minneapolis government leaders are putting together a comprehensive plan for 2040 and you can be a part of it. Bring your big ideas to the Community Connections Conference and share them. For instance, how do you want the city to look? What goals and improvements do you see for future generations? As the saying goes: If you fail to plan, you plan to fail. (Let's plan to succeed!)

## Marshall Street Protected Bikeway

The ad hoc group that has been meeting to encourage safe biking on Marshall St NE with a protected bicycle path has decided to seek federal grant funds for the effort. The grant application is due June 30, 2016. Currently, business, neighborhood, county government, city government and resident approvals are being sought. City and County staff are working on the grant application.

The protected bikeway—in one form or another—is listed on many planning documents, including the Mississippi River Trail (MRT) which is the first US bicycle and pedestrian route to be established in Minnesota.

Marshall St NE is also the park boundary of the Above the Falls Master Plan approved in 2000; both sides of Marshall St NE are part of its envisioned boundary. If you want to follow that development more closely, the Above the Falls Citizen Advisory Committee (AFCAC) meets every

fourth Tuesday of the month at 2117 West River Road (MPRB headquarters) at 6:30 PM. The public is welcome to attend.

## 18<sup>th</sup> Ave Bike Path to ... Nowhere?

Great Northern Greenway bike path advocates met February 12th at the Fire Museum and decided its route across north Minneapolis should follow 26th Ave N (a thoroughfare that bisects ALL of north Minneapolis) and head east across the river via the BNSF rail bridge. In Northeast, the group decided to run the Greenway down ... 18th Ave NE?

Residents here know that a bike path cannot reach the river via 18th Ave because it's not a thoroughfare. Unless, of course, this path jumps the BNSF tracks at 18th and Monroe, cuts through the Madison Lofts condominiums (just west of the tracks) and we tear down the new senior citizen housing on Washington St. NE. Great plan!

There is a better option. The 22nd Ave NE bicycle boulevard is currently striped for biking and already makes use of speed bumps in various sections from Stinson Boulevard to Marshall St NE. There are no physical barriers between Marshall St NE on the west and the Diagonal Trail on the east. 22nd Ave NE is also the only thoroughfare crossing northeast Minneapolis that is **safe** for bicyclists. Perhaps this new Greenway should follow 22nd Ave NE, no?

## Free Computer Repair!

*Saturday, March 12, 11am-2pm  
East Side Neighborhood Services  
1700 Second St. NE*

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> **COMPUTER REPAIR** cont.

If you have a computer or laptop that is running slowly, not working, or seems to have a virus, you can bring it in (with power cords) for free tech support. Volunteers at these events will teach you valuable repair skills, answer questions, and give technical advice about computers and laptops. Computers and laptops will be looked at on a first-come, first-served basis. The consultation and labor are free, and volunteers can offer advice on purchasing parts online or at local repair stores. Volunteers may be able to help with smartphones and tablets depending on capacity.

## NE Renters' Rights Clinic

*Saturday, March 19, 1 to 3pm  
Clare Housing (929 Central Ave NE)*

Do you have issues with your rental housing or your landlord? This Clinic will offer free, confidential legal assistance from HOMEline, a Minneapolis based nonprofit which specializes in tenants' rights.

## Garden Must Move



Happier times at Mulberry Junction

**Lisa Erb**—coordinator for Mulberry Junction Community Garden—has stepped down from her longtime volunteer position. Fortunately, four other gardeners have stepped up to take over the coordinator's responsibilities. And that tells you

something, doesn't it? It takes four people to replace her efforts! Unfortunately—and unbeknownst to Lisa at the time of her resignation—the owner of the land beneath the garden evicted Mulberry Junction on Feb. 29 to pursue a development opportunity. This is bad news. If you have questions or solutions to this problem, please contact BNA at 612-367-7262 or email us at [bnabottineaneighborhood.org](mailto:bnabottineaneighborhood.org).

Thank you, Lisa, for your invaluable service to Bottineau community.

## Spring Sports Registration begins in March

Spring Sports Registration for northeast parks begins on Wednesday, March 2 at 6pm. Spring sports include t-ball, coach pitch, baseball, softball and track. Bottineau Park will be hosting everything listed above except track, and that will be hosted at nearby Logan Park. Volunteer coaches for spring sports are also needed. Contact the park today if you are interested.

## Senior/Adult Walking

The free indoor Senior/Adult Walking Program is still running on Thursdays at Bottineau Park from 1pm-3pm. Come in and enjoy the Rec Center's nice inside track and get a walk in!

## New Free Meals and Snacks Program for At Risk Youth

Bottineau Park Recreation Center is now hosting an At-Risk Children Food Program, providing a free snack and pre-packaged meal for those youth in need during the school year. Bottineau currently serves 25 snacks a day along with 12 meals. It will continue through the school year. Know a hungry kid? Send 'em over!

## 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  
[www.hennepin.us](http://www.hennepin.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)

Dislocated Worker Program  
[tinyurl.com/mn-gov-deed](http://tinyurl.com/mn-gov-deed)

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

## Mark Your Calendars



- 3/8 BNA Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m.  
2205 California St NE, Suite 107  
(Call 612-801-7834 if door is locked)
- 3/12 Free Computer Repair (see page 2)
- 3/19 Renter's Rights Clinic (see page 3)
- 4/2 Community Connections (see page 2)

**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.

## New Teen Night Program at Bottineau Park Recreation Center

*Saturday Evenings from 8pm-11pm*

Bottineau Park Recreation Center is now open on Saturday nights for teens!

Beginning NOW and continuing through the rest of 2016, the Recreation Center will be open from 8pm to 11pm on Saturdays for young people between the ages of 12 and 18 years old. Come in and enjoy basketball, art, games, snacks and more!