

# **BOTTINEAU GAZETTE**

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#### BNA Plant Giveaway Recap and Thank you!

It was a cool spring morning, with sunny skies, when Rich Fenton and Mariam Slayhi, BNA President, picked up plants from Pletcher's Garden Center, a family owned business in the twin cities.

We unloaded the plants in front of the giant rabbit (Max Rabitat, Artist: Mary Johnson) on 22nd Ave NE. With the help of Carin Peterson, President of Sheridan neighborhood, and Liz Novotny, BNA board member, we helped our neighbors pick out plants while social distancing. We had 80 households collect plants to beautify the neighborhood. We are a non-profit and residents made donations to BNA of \$80.00 to help with our continued outreach.

We appreciate the gratitude from our neighbors, and thank everyone for participating. We look forward to once again reuniting the community next spring!

#### Bottineau Neighborhood Board Meeting

#### Tuesday June 8th 2021 7pm

- Guest Senator Kari Dziedzic
- 2nd Precinct Crime Update

Join us virtually via Zoom!

Find the link on our website, bottineauneighborhood.org

or

Dial in: +1 312 626 6799 Meeting ID: 898 6568 7748

# Young Builders and designers

SUMMER PROGRAM

Held at Bottineau Park - NE Minneapolis

Dates: May 18, 20, 25, 27 June 1 & 3 4:30 - 6:30

June Design Summer Camp 14th - 17th 1:00 - 4:00

July Entrepreneurship Summer Camp 12th - 15th 1:00 - 4:00

Cost: FREE - For more information or to sign up: Brian @ 612-599- 9436 voice/text

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#### **NE Farmer's Market Open for the Season**

May 15th - October 16th, 2021 Rain or shine!

Saturdays 9am - 1pm St. Boniface Church Parking Lot 629 2nd St NE Minneapolis, MN 55413 (Corner of University Ave & 7th Ave NE)

## Sign up for MPRB Bottineau Neighborhood Day Camp!

The Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board (MPRB) is excited to offer new Neighborhood Day Camps this summer! Ten themed, all-day, weeklong camps are available throughout the summer. Register using the link **bit.ly/NMplsDayCamps**For more information, questions or scholarship requests, please email:

DayCamps@minneapolisparks.org or call 612-230-6491.

#### COVID-19 emergency rent and utility bill assistance

If the pandemic has caused you hardship and you need help catching up on your rent or utility bills, you may be eligible for Minnesota's COVID-19 Emergency Rental Assistance. Eligible Minneapolis renters can receive help with rent and utility bills dated on or after March 13, 2020. If you qualify, you could receive up to 15 months of total assistance.

While you can't be evicted for not paying rent during Gov. Walz's executive order, rent is still due. When the order is lifted, people owing unpaid rent could be at risk for eviction.

To apply for RentHelpMN or find more information, visit renthelpmn.org or call 211. The 211 helpline has dedicated multilingual staff available to answer questions about RentHelpMN 8 a.m.-8 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

In Minneapolis, you can also apply through these community partners:

- Comunidades Latinos Unidos en Servico (CLUES) Assistance in Spanish: 651-362-0162
- New American Development Center (NADC) Assistance in Somali, Oromo and Amharic: 612-823-0180
- NorthPoint Health and Wellness Center: 612-767-9198



#### More "20 is Plenty" speed limit yard signs available

Speed limits in Minneapolis and Saint Paul are 20 miles per hour citywide unless otherwise posted. Slower speeds on local streets make travel safer for everyone no matter how you get around. Speeding was involved in about 75% of fatal crashes in Minneapolis last year; please slow down to save lives.

To help get out the word about the new speed limits and the importance of slower speeds for safety, the City again has yard signs available for community members.

You can pick up your "20 is Plenty" yard sign at Washington St. NE, outside the fence at Jefferson Street and 18th Avenue.

Learn more about the new speed limits at www.minneapolismn.gov/ government/programs-initiatives/visionzero/speed-limit



#### Temporary discount on monthly broadband bills

To help families and households afford internet service during the COVID-19 pandemic, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) program is temporarily discounting monthly broadband bills for qualifying households. This new benefit will connect eligible households to jobs, critical healthcare services, virtual classrooms and everything we need the internet for.

If your household is eligible, you can receive:

- Up to a \$50/month discount on your broadband service and associated equipment rentals.
- A one-time discount of up to \$100 for a laptop, tablet or desktop computer (with a copayment of more than \$10 but less than \$50).

Apply now for the Federal Communications Commission Emergency Broadband Benefit Program. The program will end when the fund runs out of money or six months after the Department of Health and Human Services declares an end to the COVID-19 health emergency, whichever is sooner. **getemergencybroadband.org** 

#### Provide feedback on potential route options for METRO Blue Line Extension project



Project staff are seeking feedback on potential route options for the METRO Blue Line Extension, which will connect communities from downtown Minneapolis northwest to Brooklyn Park. Based on community input, technical considerations, and past project work, project staff believe these routes present the best opportunities to deliver a light rail project that maximizes community benefits and connects even more people to jobs, education, healthcare and other key destinations. They are also con-

sistent with the project principles adopted by the Corridor Management Committee in December 2020.

These routes are intended to advance a conversation many years in the making with the goal of identifying a single community-supported route by the end of this year to advance through official design and review processes.

#### Share feedback with project staff

Complete a community survey by May 28, 2021 (surveymonkey.com/r/BlueLine) Email feedback to Sophia.Ginis@metrotransit.org

Learn more about the METRO Blue Line Extension Project at metrocouncil.org.

#### **Summer Scholars: Explore. Create. Connect.**

Explore more this summer through an innovative, immersive summer experience that challenges your student to explore a world of possibilities both in and out of the classroom. It's a place where learners forge their own paths, dream up new ideas, and find meaning in everything they create. All while discovering endless ways to connect with friends and their interests.

Your student is a scholar. And at MPS they can explore, create and connect all summer long. Summer Scholars is free and open to all students in grades PreK-8, with both in -person and virtual options depending on a student's grade. Many programs are also available to students who live in Minneapolis but do not attend an MPS school. Learn more at SummerScholarsMPS.org.



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Children ages 12 and older are now eligible to receive the COVID-19 vaccine. Find out more at vaccineconnector.mn.gov.

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. Please contact BNA with specific requests.