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December 2017



A aturnalia is the last BMNA sponsored event of the year. Saturnalia is a winter celebration that takes place on Cedar Lake Road in front of the Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church.

4:00-5:30 Enjoy the drumming of Drumheart.

They will create a half circle of drummers in the street. Wear your dancing shoes.

4:00-7:00 Roast marshmallows over an open fire pit.

4:30-6:30 Visit with Santa

5:30-7:00 Enjoy a horse drawn sleigh ride around the neighborhood. 8:00-10:30 Adults only party with live music.

Saturnalia Wagon Rides & Road Closure

Saturday, December 9th is Saturnalia 2017 in Downtown Bryn Mawr. Please note that on this day, Cedar Lake Road from Laurel Avenue West to Russell Avenue South will be closed to through traffic from 3:30 PM to 7:00 PM. Barricades and safety cones will be placed at each end of the street so that emergency vehicles and the hay wagon can pass through.

We ask residents who live on this street for their understanding and to please enter and leave the roadway by the west end (the Russell Avenue entry rather than the Laurel Avenue entry).

We ask residents and businesses located within a few blocks of Downtown Bryn Mawr (in other words, within a few blocks of Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church) to please turn porch or holiday lights on!

Also, we ask for supervision of children riding the hay wagon. Children may not climb on or off the wagon while the wagon is moving. Doing so is very dangerous and may result in injury.

Thank You! **BRYN MAWR NEIGHBORHOOD** ASSOCIATION



BMNA Craft Fair & Empty Bowls Project 7aste (If Anwatin

An International Celebration of Culture, Arts, Service & Learning

Thursday, December 7th Anwatin Middle School – 256 Upton Av. S. Bring your family/friends/neighbors! There something for everyone!

Taste of Anwatin 5:00-7:00 PM Enjoy foods from around the world.



Bring your family to the cafeteria beginning at 5 PM and enjoy a delicious dinner of food from around the world. Anwatin students, with support and guidance from teachers, cook a variety of foods and sell tickets for you to purchase your food items.

BMNA Craft Sale 5:30-8:00 PM

Shop for unique, one of a kind gifts made by local crafters.

We are still accepting registrations from crafters for the craft fair on December 7th at Anwatin Middle School. The fee is \$15 per table. You can register at bmna.org. Not a crafter? Come and shop! Unique gifts for family and friends. The craft fair runs 5:30-8.

Empty Bowls Project 5:00-8:00 PM

Handmade clay bowls for sale. Created by Anwatin students.

Anwatin students create ceramic bowls to sell to raise money for local food shelves. Bowls are usually priced at \$5 or \$10. You will be so impressed with their creations. Arrive at 5pm to get first pick!

Band Concert 7:00-8:30 PM

Enjoy the music performed by Anwatin Choir and Bands



BRYN MAWR NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday, November 8, 2017 6:30– 8:15 PM Bryn Mawr Elementary (Cafeteria)

Kevin Thompson – President Brian Treece – Vice President Dennis Fazio - Treasurer James Dietrich – Secretary Jeremy Staffeld - Webmaster Patty Wycoff – Neighborhood Coordinator

JoEllyn Jolstad – Bryn Mawr Bugle Editor



May 6 -7 Bryn Mawr Festival of Garage Sales

May 10 Bryn Mawr Neighborhood Association Annual Meeting. Board Elections and Potluck Dinner

May 12 Bryn Mawr Elementary Family Fun Night

> **July 13** Ice Cream Scoop Off

> > October 12 Sip and Stroll

November 16 Bryn Mawr Harvest Dinner

> **December 7** Anwatin Craft Fair

> > December 9 Saturnalia

Dave Holets – Area 1 Lynda Shaheen – Area 2 Dennie Juillerat - Area 3 Co-Rep Jessica Wiley – Area 3 Co-Rep Joanne Michalec – Area 4 Co-Rep Andrew Jansen – Area 5 Co-Rep Jay Peterson – Area 6 Co-Rep Barry Schade – Area 6 Co-Rep Vida Ditter – Area 6 Co-Rep Steve Harvey – Area 7 Rep Lisa Goodman – Minneapolis City Councilperson

A quorum was present.

Call to Order and Introductions

Kevin Thompson called the meeting to order at 6:32pm.

With no additions suggested, Joanne Michalec moved to approve the day's agenda. Motion passed.

Jessica Wiley moved to approve last month's meeting minutes with no changes. Seconded. Motion passed.

Councilmember Lisa Goodman gave a report from the City.

Later with Lisa will happen, but there is no date set. The Met Council requires cities to adopt new plans every 20 or 25 years. The Minneapolis 2040 plan is under review.

Budget adoption meeting occurs December 6th at Martin Luther King Park from 5:30 to 7:30. Wednesday November 29th is a Truth in Taxation meeting and that's the best chance to comment on the budget.

Leaf and brush bundle collection end on November 13th.

The City received a variance request for 621 Upton, seeking a variance to build a two-car garage.

Snow emergency booklets have been sent out. As always, more detailed information can be found at www.ci.minneapolis.mn.gov

2018 Budget

Dennis Fazio led the 2018 Budget Discussion and a general spend planning discussion for the next year. BMNA has funding and cashon-hand that will carry them for several years, but if NRP/CCP funding does not continue, BMNA will face a funding shortage each year.

Jessica Wiley moved to create a Finance Committee to review spending and revenue planning. Seconded. Dennis suggested that the Finance Committee have a solid planning for best case and worst case scenarios, so BMNA can be prepared for the potential termination of NRP/CCP funding or changes. Jessica volunteered to Chair the meeting. Patty volunteered to be a part of the committee. Motioned passed.

Neighborhood Coordinator Patty Wycoff gave her report.

Sip and Stroll continues to be a popular event. More than 200 neighbors sipped and strolled. 127 people turned in fully punched cards.

Harvest Festival is nearly here. Dennie volunteer Kevin to roast a turkey and Jessica also volunteered.

Taste of Anwatin happens in November including the craft fair, with BMNA co-sponsors. There was discussion around renaming the event to highlight that it is an open event, not a school sponsored event to garner increased interest from the community.

JoEllyn Jolstad gave a report on the Bugle.

JoEllyn still needs a volunteer for the December article. The Deadline is November 20. No Bugle in January.

Webmaster Report:

Jeremy Staffeld has been working towards moving the site to a secure HTTPS service. This will cause the site to be down for a few hours. However, the results will be a more secure BMNA.org.

Committee Reports

Schools – Lynda Shaheen reported that Schools Committee is gearing up for neighborhood craft fair. Dennie Juillerat gave an update from the Garden Committee. The gardens have been put to bed for the season. The gardens along Cedar Lake should be fantastic next year.

Jessica Wiley is still collecting ideas from the neighborhood for the Community Projects Committee, which will meet in January.

Vida Ditter gave a report from ROC. ROC declined to endorse the proposed EAW for the SWLRT barrier wall. And there is a craft distillery coming to ROC neighborhood, due to open in the next few months.

Barry Schade gave an update on SWLRT. Next week there will be an open house on the SWLRT barrier wall at Anwatin on the 15th.

Advisory committee. Bryn Mawr meadows is considered a neighborhood park and there is a subcommittee to gather input on how to connect the disparate parks in the Basset's Creek area into a more contiguous state. There is a meeting on November 27th, 6:00 at Utepils for public input.

Jessica moved to adjourn. Seconded. Meeting adjourn by 8:15 p.m.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: Wednesday, December 13, 2017 6:30 p.m., Bryn Mawr Elementary School, Cafeteria

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Harvest Dinner, November 16 Craft Fair, December 7 Saturnalia, December 9

The BMNA invites and encourages participation by every resident to each program, service and event organized by the BMNA. Should you require an accommodation in order for you to fully participate, or if you require this document in a different format, please let us know by contacting our neighborhood coordinator at organizer@BMNA.org at least five days before our event.

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No Bugle in January! Deadline for the February issue is Saturday, January 20, 2018.



Merry alitowski

Happy Holidays and a prosperous New Year to all my clients. Anyone else can reach me at 612.867.6703.



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Deadline for the February issue is Saturday, January 20, 2018.



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From the Editor

was going to write about having our daughter home from college L for a glorious Thanksgiving at the lake and trying to get into the holiday spirit. But, I could not get the recent firings of Matt Lauer and Garrison Keiller out of my head.

A little over a year ago, I was certain that sexual misconduct allegations were going to derail the political career of Donald J. Trump. When they didn't, I questioned what kind of country we had become. Historically, American politics has been one arena where this is the kiss of death.

When Harvey Weinstein was accused, I applauded the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences for recognizing that his membership in their organization created hostile and unsafe work environments. In an industry where who you know often outweighs talent and hard work, it was encouraging to see that they recognized that his actions against women were predatory.

Even after he was exposed, many women continued to come forward to tell their stories. I was among those adding my voice to the "me too" movement on social media. I have been sexually harassed, touched, intimidated and worse by men. These instances affected my confidence, sense of self-worth and impacted my career.

"Sexual" assault/harassment isn't about sex at all. It is about power and sex is just the weapon. I am dismayed that Garrison Keiller tries to compare the groping which he admits to doing, to having wannabe starlets' hands wander "below the belt" while posing for photos. Did he feel violated, threatened? Who was in the position of power? Certainly not a foolish young woman who was trying to play a game for which he and his cronies set the rules. "Be nice to me and I will see that you get ahead."

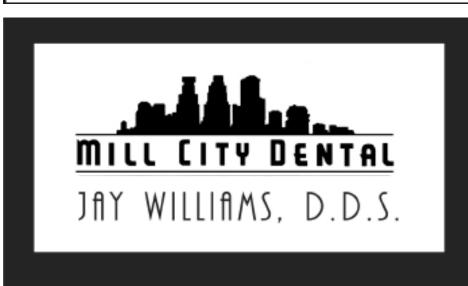
I understand that some men are confused by the seemingly sudden backlash. They are behaving in a way that they have always thought was "appropriate"; a way that has been tolerated and even encouraged by society for generations. But women are finally realizing that they don't want to and don't have to play anymore. It. Must. Stop. It's not good clean fun and sexual banter belongs in the bedroom not the workplace.

I don't have a cheeky way to wrap this up except to suggest that powerful men (and women) should not wait for an accuser to come forward. Examine your past actions and say, "I'm sorry." and "Me too."

Wishing everyone an enlightened and powerful new year!

- JoEllyn Jolstad, Editor





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Area 4 Voices for Peace presents Season of Peace

oin us for a musical celebration of the Winter holidays, including our common traditions for Observing the longest night of the year and the return of light to the world.

Sunday December 10, 2017, 4:00 pm Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church, 420 Cedar Lake Rd Mpls 55405 Tickets \$12 at the door Children under 10 free Cash, Check, Credit/Debit

Baked goods and beverages (coffee, apple cider) served at intermission and baked goods will also be sold in 1/2 dozen packages.

Area 7

'd like to start a neighborhood campaign to entice US Internet Lto lay fiber optic cable in Bryn Mawr. They are laying out a network throughout South Minneapolis, and according to friends in those areas, service and pricing is a good value. Based on my phone calls with the company, however, they don't plan on coming here for many years. Perhaps we could change that with a letter-writing/email/calling campaign.

I firmly believe that competition is good for consumers. It gives us a choice, and encourages favorable pricing and better service. Having one more option for us in Bryn Mawr might allow us to move away from making payments each month to companies we dislike.

US Internet 12450 Wayzata Blvd., Suite 315 Minnetonka, MN 55305 952-253-3278

US Internet's coverage map: https://fiber.usinternet.com/coverage-areas/

- Andrew R., Area 7



Area 6

ryn Mawr Elementary PTA would like to thank our Bryn Mawr neighbors for your amazing generosity! Our coffee and treats table on election day was very popular, and many, many neighbors donated to the PTA in appreciation. We will be able to help fund several field trips, along with items to help our classroom teachers.

We are so thankful for your continuing support!

Lisa Mills, Area 6, President Bryn Mawr Community School PTA

Area 6

Jet Ward. June 4, 2004 - November 22, 2017 "There is nothing truer in this world than the love of a good dog." Mira Grant.

- Bill Ward, Area 6





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December 3, 2017	Full moon, the Dakota Tahecapsun Wi, or antler shedding moon.
December 5, 2016	Lake Calhoun (Bde Maka Ska) still open, wind- surfers in wet suits scooting across.
December 8, 2016	Two great horned owls having a prolonged conver- sation in the woods near Bryn Mawr School in the early evening. One much higher pitched than the other, maybe a juvenile.
January 14, 2009	Low -48° in Babbitt, MN, in a bog on the iron range.
January 24, 2015	Sunny, calm, 39°. Heard the chickadees singing "fee-bee, fee-bee" for the first time (instead of "chick-a-dee-dee-dee"), indicating they are thinking about spring. Their song changes with the season.

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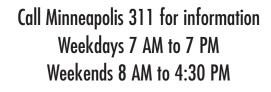
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WEEKLY MEETINGS OF **ALCOHOLICS** ANONYMOUS

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Happy New Year from BMNA

he Bryn Mawr Neighborhood Association would like to wish you a happy and healthy New Year. We are ending 2017 \$2400 short of our annual membership goal. If you are looking to make a donation before the end of the calendar year, we hope you will consider supporting BMNA. Our organization is committed to strengthening, informing and engaging all neighbors. We are stronger together.

Contribute at bmna.org or mail your contribution to BMNA 2915 Wayzata Boulevard Minneapolis, MN 55405

Bryn Mawr Neighborhood Association Membership - 2017

The BMNA does not charge dues. Please consider making a financial contribution of \$40 or more along with your membership. *BMNA is a 501C3 tax deductible organization.*

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Last Chance to Suggest a Project for 2018

The BMNA Wants Your Ideas

The BMNA Community Projects Committee is looking for good ideas to improve the Bryn Mawr neighborhood. You could have the perfect suggestion.

Timeline:

Ideas will be solicited from now until December 31, 2017. The committee will meet in January 2018 to identify workable projects and make a recommendation to the board at their February 2018 board meeting.

The process:

- Request for proposals October-December 2017.
- Submit proposals to jessicasusanwiley@gmail.com by December 31, 2017.

Those who have submitted an idea will be asked to complete a

brief form about specifics of the project.

- Who will lead the project?
- What will it involve?
- How much funding is needed?

The committee evaluates suggestions using the criteria listed below.

- Is there leadership (an identified neighbor) to get the project done?
- Is it possible (politically, physically)?
- Does it meet the budget (\$0 \$5000)?
- Is it sustainable long term?
- Does it have neighborhood wide impact?

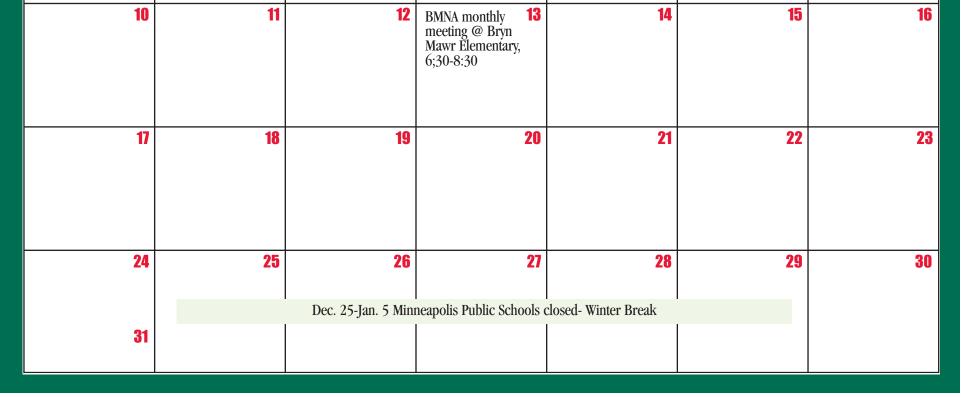
For a list of projects completed in past years, check out the October Bugle!

The Community Project Committee includes BMNA board members Steve Harvey, Area 7; Jay Peterson, Area 6; Joanne Michalec, Area 4; Jessica Wiley, Area 3; Susan Verrett, Area 2, and Patty Wycoff, Neighborhood Coordinator. The committee also considers suggestions from past years. We just can't let go of a good idea!

Bryn Mawr Neighborhood Association Calendar - December 2017

All meetings are open - everyone is welcome. Neighbors are urged to attend and participate in meetings and activities of special interest to them. Bryn Mawr Neighborhood Association and its committees meet at Bryn Mawr Elementary School during the school year, unless otherwise noted.

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3	4	5	6	BMNA Craft Fair at Taste of Anwatin, Empty Bowls & Anwatin Band Con- cert, Anwatin Middle School, 5:30-8	8	Saturnalia, on Cedar Lake Rd., 4-7, Adults Only Party @ Cuppa Java, 8-10:30



2017 BMNA Harvest Dinner

hank you to the 100+ neighbors who attended the BMNA Harvest Dinner on November 16th. The food was amazing (as usual) and the company even better. A shout out to our turkey roasters Dennis Fazio (BMNA Treasurer), Jessica Wiley(Area 3 Representative), Sue Verrett (Area 2 Representative) and last, but certainly not least, Kevin Thompson(BMNA President).

Area 5 Representative, Beth Turnbull, made 4 beautiful centerpieces for this event. I regret not having taken a photo of them. The centerpieces were raffled off at the end of the event, along with door prizes donated by Cuppa Java, Cockadoodledoo and Bobby and Steve's Auto World-Bryn Mawr.









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7	8	9	BMNA monthly meeting @ Bryn Mawr Elementary, 6:30-8:30	Family gym night, 11 Bryn Mawr Elemen- tary small gym 6-8PM (kids 7 and older w/parent)	12	13

14	15	ROC, 6 PM, Harrisolo Community Center	17	Family gym night, 18 Bryn Mawr Elemen- tary small gym 6-8PM (kids 6 and younger w/parent)	19	20
21	22	23	24	Family gym night, 25 Bryn Mawr Elemen- tary small gym 6-8PM (kids 7 and older w/parent)	26	27
28	29	30	31			



If you have historic information or photos that you would like to share with the Bugle, please email Kevina Munnich at kmunnich@gmail.com.

CAN YOU BELIEVE IT? A GOLF COURSE IN BRYN MAWR?

According to 80 year old Lennie Smith, that's absolutely true! In the year 1925, just 65 years ago, nine Bryn Mawr boys spent two full summers building a golf course right in their own backyard. It was located just a few blocks from Cedar Lake on the west side in what is now called Lake Forest, St. Louis Park.

It all started when the boys met the owner, Doug Reese, while playing on his land. Doug hired them to clear brush. After Doug got to know them he asked them, "would you like to build a golf course here on my land?" The boys had all worked as caddies at the Minneapolis Golf Club and jumped at the chance. You see, golf was "in" even back in 1925.

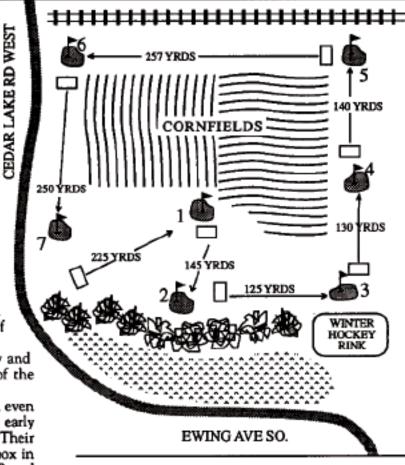
It took the boys two years to complete a seven hole golf course. Lennie Smith clearly remembers the yardage for each hole because the boys improved their golf skills by testing each hole as they built it. Testing, re-testing and rebuilding and constantly improvising the golf course kept them busy from dawn to sunset.

You can look at the map that Lennie drew and note the yardage for each hole. The names of the boys are also included.

The boys were able to save all the trees and even planted more to enhance the course. It was an early "do it yourself" type of neighborhood project. Their fathers contributed lumber which was used to box in the sand and greens. The Minneapolis Park Board even helped by contributing grass cutting services.

To quote this tall, strong octogenarian, Lennie Smith, "This golf course was spontaneous community action at its best!"

--Penny Jacobs





This was originally printed in December of 1992. We think the author, Penny Jacobs still lives in Area.



Happiness and Finding Co-Housing Near Bryn Mawr

By Brian PaStarr

n the documentary film "Happy", the filmmakers take the audience Lall over the world exploring things that contribute to people's happiness. The six building blocks of happiness the film notes are: Community; Relationships that become like family; Altruism and a sense of giving back; Enough money to have the items you need but not so much it makes you crave more; Appreciation; and Support. The film at one point visits a Co-Housing development in Denmark, a country where most people tend to be happy. The Co-Housing community there seems to be especially happy.

Co-Housing is a concept from Denmark, a concept in which people buy a parcel of land as a group (through association fees such as those paid in condominiums), with each family also having their own privately owned dwelling. In addition their association fees also pay for a "Common House", a community owned building in which meals are shared on a regular basis. How regular depends on what the group decides. Much of any decision making is done by the group.

The term "Happiness Index" is used to rate people's level of happiness. Denmark has the highest happiness index in the world. People in Co-Housing developments in the U.S. however, rate higher than those not living in one. Some studies indicate that those living in Co-Housing live longer than those living outside of it.

Five of the six building blocks for happiness are found in Co-Housing. Structure is important to happiness. Co-Housing has a structure that promotes community and in so doing, leads to relationships that become

like family. Many people report that after they moved into Co-Housing they began to feel more altruistic and found themselves doing more to give back to the community. Although people's money supply in Co-Housing does not increase, the support they receive and the appreciation they feel there does increase. Having those five building blocks be so integral to Co-Housing makes it a very desirable place to live.

I have visited five Co-Housing developments around the country. It is a very 'green' way to live. As one resident told me, "Why should we have 25 families with 25 lawnmowers when we can all share 1 or 2." Co-Housing gives residents the ability to choose either community or privacy depending on how they feel that day.

I am part of a Co-Housing group that is proceeding on developing a Co-Housing community on Cedar Lake Rd. just over the bridge from Bryn Mawr, in the Harrison neighborhood. The development is less than 1000 feet from a home where I lived for 25 years raising my family as I taught in Mpls. Public Schools. The development will be close to light rail, bike paths, and the Farmers Market. The common house will have a great view of the downtown skyline.

Neighborhoods are stronger when their surrounding neighborhoods are stronger. Co-Housing stabilizes neighborhoods when it develops there. If you know of someone who would be interested in living in a Co-Housing development, have them check out our website at bassettcreek.us to contact us. When you come home to Co-Housing there is always someone to greet you. A neighbor.



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Anwatin **Students** Inspired

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Anwatin teachers were in Cuppa Java and spotted Congressman Keith Ellison. They introduced themselves as Anwatin teachers and invited him to come speak to the 7th grade students - he accepted! On October 17th, Congressman Ellison spoke to the 7th grade students



Domestic Abuse Project (DAP)

Supporting Communities Threatened by Family Violence

Adly, we are confronted regularly with stories of domestic violence. David P. Kelly beat his first wife, cracked his toddler stepson's skull, and abused his dog. He wasn't getting the help he needed to deal with his violent urges. He was estranged from his second wife and her family, and in early November gunned down and killed 26 members of his mother-in-law's Texas church.

In Minnesota, at least 21 deaths from domestic violence were reported in the past year. The Minnesota Council for Battered Women reports that while 65,000 adult Minnesotans reached out for support services for domestic abuse, that's less than half of those experiencing violence in their homes. We are especially fortunate in Minneapolis to have DAP (Domestic Abuse Project) in our city. Housed on Franklin and LaSalle, DAP has been supporting families for nearly 30 years. At DAP, they know how to end the cycle of abuse. They seek to permanently break the inter-generational cycle of family violence by leading societal change and by providing men, women and children with essential tools needed to eliminate violence in their lives. DAP Advocacy supports victims as they navigate the legal system, and connects them to resources a victim often needs in their moments of crisis.



about the details of his work as a Minnesota Congressperson and graciously answered their questions ranging everywhere from, "What was it like meeting President Obama?", to "What's your favorite Minneapolis restaurant?" In response to that final question, he of course responded Cuppa Java!

> s special guests of Anwatin's business L Lpartner, RBC Wealth Management, 10 Anwatin teachers and students were able to attend BestPreps Educational Forum. the keynote speaker, Justice Alan Page delivered a message about why character is essential for the success of our youth and society.

> > - Lynda Shaheen, Area 2

DAP Therapy is for men, women and children who are at a place in their lives when they can make real changes in their behaviors. In 1979, DAP was the first organization in MN to offer a therapy program for men who use abuse in their intimate relationships. Since then, DAP has worked to not only heal but to prevent - as their work with children is truly preventative. Without intervention, children who witness domestic violence are 64% more likely to grow up to be abusers or victims.

Working with the criminal justice system, public policy makers, and other community agencies, DAP strives to open the conversation around domestic abuse in order to lead societal change.

How are funds donated to DAP used?

DAP has a budget of roughly \$1.9 million dollars, which funds pro grams and services such as:



Family Open Gym Nights

Nome in out of the cold. We have secured the small gym (larger gym unavailable) Thursdays from January 11 -March 15th. In order to accommodate all and ensure everyone's safety, each week the gym will be open for either big kids 7+ OR littler kids (6 and under) each week. See Bugle calendar or watch for announcements on nextdoor.com.

Jan 11 - big kids Jan 18 - little kids Jan 25 - big kids Feb 1 - little kids Feb 8 - big kids Feb 15 - little kids Feb 22 - big kids

Some equipment is provided by the BMNA but feel free to bring your own. In addition we will need help with opening and closing the gym. For big kid nights please contact Steve Lish @

Steve.Lish@mpls.k12.mn.us and little kids night Kate Olson @ Kateandmatt.olson@gmail.com

Winter Nature Camp Jan. 3-5, children 4-6 years

ooking for an opportunity for your children to run off some denergy at the end of winter break? Register today for Minneapolis Nature Preschool's Winter Camp, January 3-5th, at Kroening Interpretive Center.

Children will spend 9am-noon each day playing, snowshoeing,* skiing,* creating, observing, and exploring together outdoors. Lead teacher Sheila Williams Ridge is an expert in child development and environmental education. Spanish is spoken by two assistant teachers. Who: Children Ages 4-6 years of age Date: January 3- January 5th Time: 9am- Noon

Cost: \$80/child (Sliding Fee Scale available) Location: 4900 Mississippi Court,

Minneapolis, MN, 55430 **REGISTRATION: https://www.min**neapolisnaturepreschool.org/events

Questions? Email minneapolisna-

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Support the Arts! Come see what's happening at Southwest **High School.**

Noel Coward's Private Lives

December 5th-8th, 7:00 PM Southwest High School Blackbox Theater. \$5 students, \$10 adults. The show follows Amanda and Elyot, a divorced couple both remarried to the wrong people for them. While on their respective honeymoons they realize they're staying at the same botel in adjoining rooms and the expected chaos ensues!

Holiday Concert

Monday, December 11th Southwest Performing Arts will have their annual Holiday Concert at St. Mary's Basilica on Hennepin Av.

The event starts at 7:00 and includes both choral and instrumental performances. Beautiful music in a beautiful setting featuring great kids. This is the holiday event you're going to remember. The Concert is free.

Other upcoming December Events

Dance Concert December 14-15, 7pm at Southwest

Choir Concert: 9th Grade and Men's Ensemble December 19, 7pm at Southwest

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Mawr Community Schools

Bryn Mawr Elementary (PreK-5) 252 Upton Avenue South 612-668-2500 brynmawr.Minneapolis.k12.mn.us

Minneapolis Kids School-age Childcare (at Bryn Mawr School) 612-668-3890 mplskids.Minneapolis.k12.mn.us/

Anwatin Middle School (6-8) International Baccalaureate and Spanish Dual Immersion 256 Upton Avenue South 612-668-2450

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The Men's Program - using trauma informed therapy to teach men about the cycle of domestic violence and how to stop their use of abuse.

The Women and Children's program - supporting women and children on their journey of healing from the traumatic effects of abuse.

Providing crisis intervention services for families who are trying to escape the abuse present in their lives and/or navigate the criminal justice system as an abuse victim. For more information about DAP,

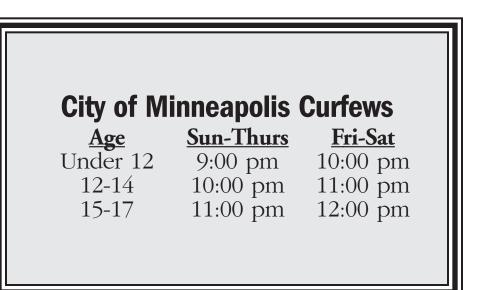
or to make a year-end donation, visit

www.DomesticAbuseProject.com.

- Jessica Wiley, current DAP Board Chair, has been a board member of DAP since 2013.

Donate today to our scholarship fund: https://www.minneapolisnaturepreschool.org/support-us *Skiing and snowshoeing are weather dependent.

Anwatin Community Education 612-668-2478 www.mplscommunityed.com



Winter Community Education Classes at Anwatin

Clay and Paper Sculpting

3 Wednesdays, Feb. 7-21, 6:30-8:00pm Paperclay is a versatile form of sculpture is completely air-dry and does not require a kiln for firing. We'll work on paperclay techniques including sculpting a relief sculpture, adding design and texture, and then finishing it with a special painting technique. A \$20 supply fee will be collected. \$29

Essential Guide to Buying Your Home

Monday, Feb. 12, 6:30-9:00pm

Want to negotiate the best deal on your home? Learn how to access government grants, obtain first time buyer programs, avoid the lemons and save thousands. Instructor will walk you through step by step the best process for going about maximizing your money and having the lifestyle you want. \$25

Finding Sasquash

7 Wednesdays, Feb. 7-Mar. 21, 6:30-8:00pm Students will develop citizen-scientist skills by surveying modern developments in this centuries-old wildlife mystery. Through video, audio, readings, artifacts, lecture and discussion, you will study published scientific analyses, citizen-naturalist documentation and traditional ecological knowledge of bigfoot. Focus will be on the anatomical,behavioral,and ecological aspects of an hypothesized North American great ape. Students will also learn to identify habitat, observe signs, provoke observations and collected document evidence. \$45

Guitar: Acoustic 1

5 Mondays, Feb. 5-Mar. 5, 6:30-7:45pm Learn chords, scales and basic guitar techniques so you can start playing your favorite songs. Bring an acoustic guitar and a pick. \$35

Quinoa

Monday Feb. 26, 6:30-8:00pm

Find out what the fuss is about. Once you taste quinoa, a gluten-free complete protein, you'll understand. Receive outstanding recipes for salads, desserts, breads and more, all incorporating quinoa. Instructor collects a \$10 food supply fee. \$19

Scones

Monday, Mar. 12, 6:30-8:00pm

Enjoy delicious scones starting from a simple recipe and discover daring additions to make your scones come alive. These crispy, flaky treats will be a delicious addition to your lineup of go-to quick breads. \$19

Spanish Lessons for Teachers

5 Mondays, Feb. 5-Mar. 5, 4:15-5:15pm All four modalities of language will be practiced: verbal, written, reading and auditory Spanish opportunities. Students from the Spanish Immersion program will be invited to team up with teachers for one on one speaking activities. \$45

Registration begins January 3, 2018 at mplscommunityed.com or call 612-668-2478.

Share Your Talents With the Community!

Anwatin Community Education is seeking instructors for Adult Enrichment and ACCESS (Adults with special abilities). Call 612-668-2478 or email Daniel.Burgos@mpls.k12.mn.us to propose a class.



Registration for Winter Session begins January 3rd. Visit www.mplscommunityed.com to register and see classes.



Bryn Mawr Moms on the Search for Good Books & Food

A Gentleman in Moscow By Amor Towles

The members of our book club are bigtime readers. We read lots of books. We read books that we've chosen for our book club conversations along with many we won't have time to discuss in depth; others that will never get discussed; some that will never get discussed; some that will be quickly forgotten. And in all this reading, the joy of finding a great book cannot be measured.

A Gentleman in Moscow is that great book. Beautifully written; an intricate story so compelling that all 450 pages offer intrigue, poetry, and romance. Joyce Carol Oates stated that "reading is the sole means by which we slip, involuntarily, often helplessly, into another's skin, another's voice, another's soul." We slipped head over heels into Count Rostov's stifling circumstances.

Count Alexander Illyich Rostov is spared a life at a labor camp, or death, when he is sentenced in 1922 to house arrest in a tiny attic room at the grand Metropol Hotel for writing an incendiary poem. He can see the Bolshoi Theater from the hotel windows. The story takes place during some of the most tumultuous years of Russia's history, but the politics of the Bolshevik revolution are always just below the surface, and never overwhelm the characters, or the reader. The Count creates a life of purpose within his confinement, and forges relationships with the

chefs, waiters, seamstresses, barbers, and other hotel patrons who work and live at the Metropol. He never loses his appreciation of art and beauty. According to Towles, " it is possible for people in repressive regimes to enjoy art, regardless of circumstances. To think otherwise", he says, "belittles the courage and the pride of the average citizen."

This is story of optimism. Count Rostov loses the physical luxuries of his past life, but maintains his freedom through his faith in friendships and loyalty to his values.

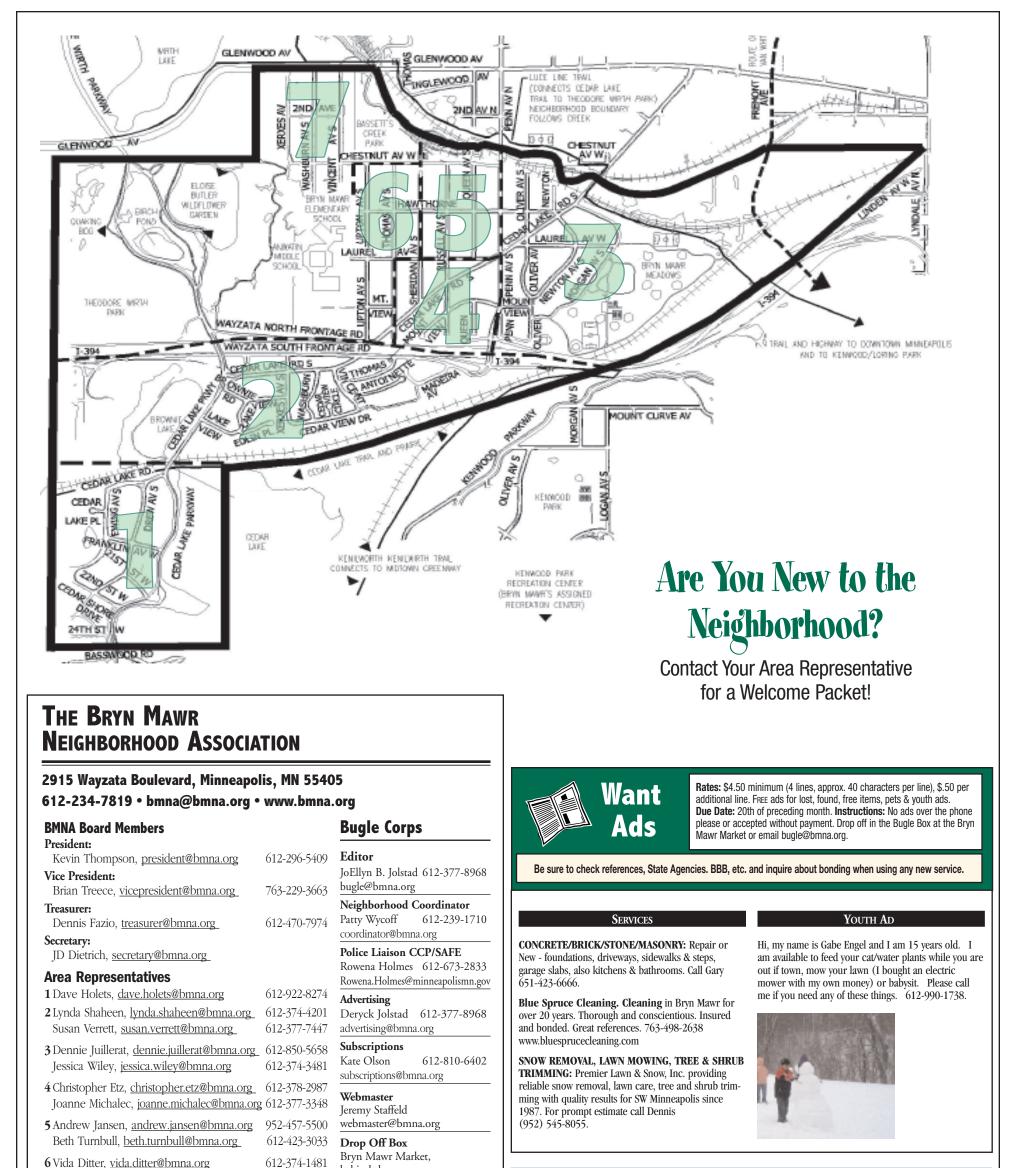
We all gave this book five stars. We loved the relationships, the descriptions of food and wine, the stories of Russia past and present. We read favorite passages aloud. And at the end, we still had questions—how did he pay for his keep at the hotel? Would he have really been shot if he left the hotel all those decades later? Is he reunited with his daughter? After a deep read and an evening of talk, we're still left wondering.

"You think your pain and your heartbreak are unprecedented in the history of the world, but then you read. It was books that taught me that the things that tormented me most were the very things that connected me with all the people who were alive, or who had ever been alive."— James Baldwin

What the Moms are reading now: The Latehomecomer, by Kao Kalia Yang

No Bugle in January! Deadline for the February issue is January 20, 2018.





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