



BRYN MAWR BUGLE

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April 2018

Earth Day Cleanup

Saturday, April 21, 2018

9:30 am-12:00 noon

Multiple sites throughout Minneapolis – Three Bryn Mawr locations:

Theodore Wirth Park

3200 Glenwood Ave. (Wirth Beach parking lot)

Cedar Lake

Cedar Lake Pkwy. and 25th St. W.

Bassett's Creek

SE Corner of Penn and 1-1/2 Ave. N.

Help Improve Minneapolis Parks

The goal of Earth Day Cleanup is to provide a volunteer experience and environmental education to Minneapolis residents and park users. This annual event involves cleaning Minneapolis parks, neighborhoods, watersheds and water bodies including the Chain of Lakes, Lake Nokomis, Lake Hiawatha, Powderhorn Lake, Diamond Lake, Shingle Creek, Minnehaha Creek, Bassett's Creek and the Mississippi River. Since the inception of the Earth Day cleanup we have removed more than 140,000 pounds of garbage from Minneapolis parks.

Learn About Our Environment and Community

In addition to cleanup efforts, environmental education is a key part of our Earth Day efforts. Onsite programs offer volunteers the opportunity to learn about various issues affecting our environment and community today. The programs are designed for individuals of all ages.

Earth Day Cleanup is a collaborative effort between the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board (MPRB) and City of Minneapolis Solid Waste and Recycling.

Individuals and Small Groups

It's easy to get involved in Earth Day Cleanup 2016. No pre-registration is required! Arrive at any site between 9:30 am and noon, bring a pair of gloves to pick up trash, and check in at the registration table. A site coordinator will provide you with gloves (if you did not bring any) and bags, and instruct you where to go and where to leave trash. Every site has a coordinator available to assist volunteers and to answer any questions you may have. This event is free and open to all ages. No registration required.

2018 BMNA Events

May 5-6

Bryn Mawr Festival of Garage Sales

May 9

Bryn Mawr Neighborhood Association Annual Meeting. Board Elections and

May 18

Bryn Mawr Elementary Family Fun Night

July 26

Ice Cream Scoop Off

October 11

Sip and Stroll

November 15

Bryn Mawr Harvest Dinner

December TBD

Anwatin Craft Fair

December 15

Saturnalia

BRYN MAWR'S ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF GARAGE SALES

May 5th & 6th, 2018

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ADDRESS OF SALE _____

(Note; only Bryn Mawr addresses can be included in directory.):

AREA (CIRCLE): 1 2 3 4 5 6 7

LIST ITEMS FOR SALE: _____

OPEN SUNDAY? ☐ YES ☐ NO

~~ FEE \$15.00 ~~

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Forms and fees can be dropped in the BMNA box at the Bryn Mawr Market or mailed to:

**GARAGE SALES
249 SHERIDAN AVENUE SOUTH
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DEADLINE: MONDAY, APRIL 30

2018 BMNA Festival of Garage Sales May 5-6

Clean out the garage, organize your goods and get ready for the shoppers! The Festival of Garage Sales is the largest neighborhood garage sale in the city. The Bryn Mawr Neighborhood Association sponsors this event each year. BMNA provides 3 port-a-potties and a police officer to assist with traffic on Penn Avenue and Cedar Lake Road. These valuable services are paid for with the money neighbors pay when they register their garage sale with BMNA. Not only does your money help with these expenses, it also advertises your garage sale and the items you are selling. BMNA compiles a list of registered sales for the public. We post this list on our website and have copies at local businesses and each registered garage sale. \$15 is our registration fee. Please register your sale at bmna.org or complete the registration form on this page. The deadline for registrations is Monday, April 30th.

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle! BMNA wants your stuff!

The Bryn Mawr Neighborhood Association will sell your donated goods and put the money towards the BMNA general fund. It's easy to donate items.

1. Place your items in bags or boxes on your front sidewalk by 6 pm on



May 3. Make sure they are not too heavy for our volunteers.

2. Send an email to pwcoordinator@comcast.net with your address. Donations will be picked up by 8 pm.

3. Drop your items at 249 Queen Ave S. on May 2nd or 3rd, 6-7:30 pm

4. Call BMNA Coordinator, Patty Wycoff (612-239-1710) if you need to set up another time to drop donations.

Below is a list of items we are not able to accept.

- items that require cleaning or repair
- hazardous waste items
- tube televisions
- large appliances
- adult clothing



BRYN MAWR NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION
Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, March 14, 2018
6:30– 8:15 PM
Bryn Mawr Elementary (Cafeteria)

PRESENT:

KEVIN THOMPSON - President
BRIAN TREECE - Vice President
DENNIS FAZIO - Treasurer
SUSAN VERRETT - Area 2 Co-Rep
DENNIE JUILLERAT - Area 3 Co-Rep
CHRISTOPHER ETZ - Area 4 Co-Rep
JOANNE MICHALEC - Area 4 Co-Rep
BETH TURNBULL - Area 5 Co-Rep
VIDA DITTER - Area 6 Co-Rep
STEPHEN HARVEY - Area 7 Rep
JOELLYN JOLSTAD - Bugle Editor

ARLENE FRIED - Guest, Area 2
GEORGIA CADY - Guest, Area 3
LISA GOODMAN - City Council
NANCY ALEKSUK - Swervo Development
AARON DIEDERICH - Lupe Development
STEVE MINN - Lupe Development
OFF. DAVE MATTSON - MPLS Police Dept. Precinct 4

INP. AARON BIARD - MPLS Police Dept. Precinct 4
LT. DERRICK BARNES - MPLS Police Dept. Precinct 4
ROWENA HICKS - Police Liaison Precinct 4

President Kevin Thompson called the meeting to order.

Motion to approve agenda. Seconded. Motion passed.

Motion to approve minutes of last month’s meeting. Seconded. Motion passed.

Councilmember Lisa Goodman gave a report from the city. Lunch with Lisa is March 28th in room 202 Opus Hall, St Thomas’ Minneapolis campus. The guest was going to be Mike Kennedy, Director of Transportation, but he is now unavailable so Robin Hutcheson, Director of Public Works will be speaking.

Lisa took a vote on the topic for the next Lunch with Lisa, either 911, or Animal Control. Other associations will vote and Lisa will select the topic from the results.

Inspector Biard updated the community on the results of the individual found in Bryn Mawr Meadows. No Foul Play is suspected. It

appears she was homeless and perhaps fell asleep or passed out and froze to death.

There are reports of drug dealing occurring again on Penn Ave, just off the overpass. A camera has been set up overlooking the area. Neighbors can call if they witness suspicious activity, to report license plate numbers, or if the dealing moves to a different part of the neighborhood. Patrols have been increased in the neighborhood.

Linda Shaheen and Lisa Goodman worked with Ned Abdul, new owner of the Century Link building, to use any left-over furniture from the now vacant CenturyLink building for Anwatin and Bryn Mawr Schools. Ned happily gave permission to remove what furniture they needed. The Board would like to thank Linda, Lisa, and Ned for making this happen.

Nancy Aleksuk from Swervo Development spoke briefly on the CenturyLink building project. Swervo is a local developer and has a history of renovating old building to new uses. The Downtown Armory and Uptown Theatre are good examples. The space may be updated to include outdoor patios and perhaps a rooftop deck. The building will continue as an office complex. They are seeking a large anchor tenant and they plan to use the space as their corporate headquarters. They will manage the property as well.

Aaron Diederich and Steve Minn of Lupe Development spoke in conjunction with Swervo. Lupe is committed to Affordable Housing and is looking to develop two new developments on the former CenturyLink property. On the east side, they are considering a market rate senior building, planned as 3 stories, for 55+ seniors, since there is no senior housing close by. The building may be configured as an equity cooperative.

Second project will be on the west side and would likely consist of between 100-150 affordable family units. These will be rentals, managed by Lupe Development. This project would probably be about 4 stories, built on pylons with parking under the building. Aiming at the 50% or 60% of the metro median income families.

Lupe Development will work closely with the neighborhood to find common ground with what the neighborhood wants and needs. The noted concerns about extra traffic will be addressed, though traditionally senior populations do not have multiple cars. Initially a committee consisting of Kevin Thompson, Christopher Etz, and Vida Ditter will work on Lupe Development on how to proceed.

Chris Etz made a motion for the Board to enter into an agreement

with Hennepin County Library to Digitize the Bugle archives and make them available on the library’s website. Seconded. Motion passed.

Garden hose applications for 3 connections during the summer has been approved.

JoEllyn Jolstad noted the date for the Bugle Articles for the month of April. Kevin Thompson will write the Board article for April.

The Board reviewed the CPP report for 2017. A few minor changes were made. The report was approved.

Barry Schade was not present at the meeting, but submitted a written report on progress on SWLRT, included in the minutes:

A Supplemental Environment Assessment on changes to the project has been published, and a Town Hall Meeting will be held on Thursday, March 22, 5:00 - 7:30 PM at Dunwoody College of Technology. I intend to make a short statement at that meeting acknowledging that the BMNA requested such an environmental review of the Crash Wall, and the document substantially addresses the issues we raised in our request.

In addition, I intend to point out that the Bassett Creek Valley Working Group has completed its work and issued its Report and Recommendations. The Working Group provided guidance on the aesthetic treatment of the Crash Wall and had positive results.

The environmental review process related to the Supplemental Environmental Assessment should be completed in May, in time for opening of bids on the whole project. Construction should begin this Fall once bids are awarded. Staff reports that momentum for federal funding continues in Congress, in spite of what the Administration is saying.

After the Town Hall meeting next week, I intend to start paying more attention to the phasing of construction adjacent to Bryn Mawr. Access to trails is going to be a mess and I want to be sure that the neighborhood is aware of the evolving status. This will be going in for some time once ground is broken.

NEXT BOARD MEETING:
Wednesday, April 11, 2018
6:30 p.m., Bryn Mawr Elementary School, Cafeteria

UPCOMING EVENTS:
Festival of Yard Sales, May 5 – 7

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.

2018 BMNA Membership Drive

Our annual membership drive has officially begun. Your support each year helps BMNA fund the following:

- 7 annual events (Festival of Garage Sales, BMNA Annual Meeting, Ice Cream Scoop Off, Sip and Stroll, BMNA Harvest Dinner, Anwatin Craft Fair, Saturnalia)
- 4 committees with dedicated neighbors working to improve our neighborhood (BMNA Schools Committee, Communications Committee, Garden Committee, Community Projects Committee)
- 4 staff (Bugle Editor, Webmaster, Accountant, Coordinator)

- Our neighborhood newspaper, *The Bugle*
- Administrative expenses (software, postage, office supplies, telephone)

and much more. Take a look at our annual report at bmna.org.

Contributing is easy! Donate online at bmna.org or mail your contribution to
BMNA
2915 Wayzata Blvd
Minneapolis, MN 55405-2145

Any amount is terrific. We are grateful for your support in the past and appreciate your continued support.

Bryn Mawr Neighborhood Association Membership - 2018

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.*

Yes, I want to help the BMNA by making a financial contribution of:

\$40 \$50 \$100 Other

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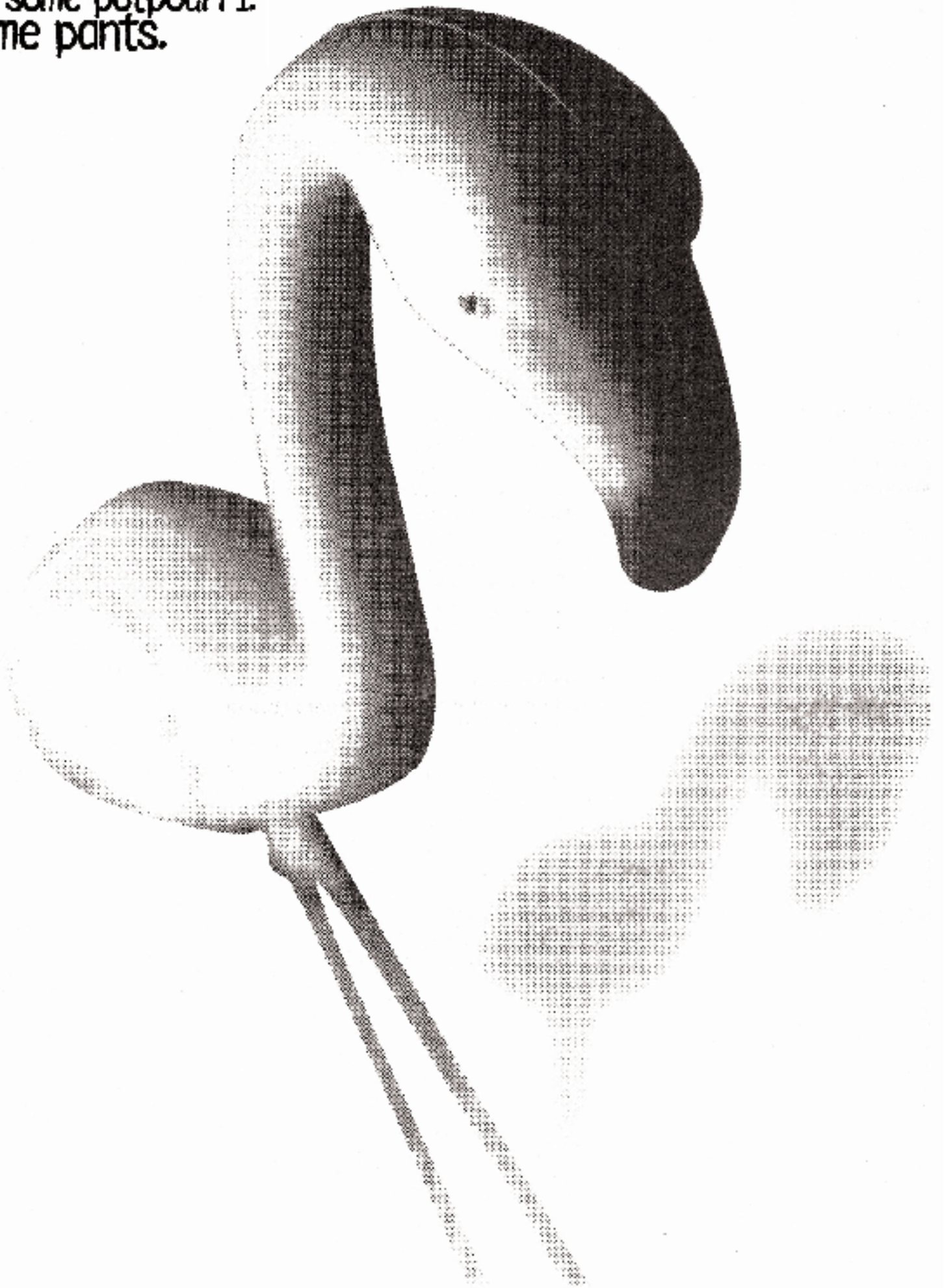
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Bryn Mawr Recycling Schedule

	Monday	Tuesday
Area 1	April 9 April 23	
Areas 4W, 5W, 6, 7	April 2 April 16 April 30	
Areas 2, 3, 4E, 5E		April 3 April 17

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From the Editor

“The Bryn Mawr Neighborhood Association (BMNA) purpose is to: strengthen our community; improve the quality of life in our community; foster good personal relationships in our community; and open channels for information and communication in our community.” This is printed on page 6 along with information about the BMNA Board elections coming up in May.

The Bugle publishes the BMNA Board’s meeting minutes so that their work on behalf of all of us is known to the broader community. I have always said that the *Bugle* exists to connect and inform neighbors. And while it certainly does address the communications piece of the BMNA mission, it also helps it fulfill the other aspects of the statement of purpose.

This month I am thinking about the relationship piece. There are a lot of really troubling things happening in the world today. I personally attribute much of it to the lack of connection between people. Say what you will about violent video games, gun access and mental health (and I do think we have a lot of work to do in these areas.) But I feel that at the heart of everything, if there was more value placed on all human life, we would not have this epidemic of shooting deaths.

On page 5, you will find a sweet note I received from a Queen Ave resident, thanking a pair of neighbors for clearing snow for their block. She even explains why her 85-year-old husband doesn’t do it any more. (Seriously, look at the bottom of the next page and read it!)

I’ve met Matt (one of the volunteers mentioned) and have heard what a great neighbor he is. But I am lucky to call Rod a friend and I totally agree with his neighbor Barb – he is a great guy who always helps out. I also know how hard he and his wife Jenny work to instill this same ethic of caring for one another among their two children.

How many of us don’t even know the first or last name of the person(s) living next door or across the street? This woman has probably already thanked Rod and Matt personally, but she wanted everyone in Bryn Mawr to know how grateful she is to them.

Thank you to all the neighbors who quietly do good deeds and to those who make an effort to acknowledge them. Learning about each other and recognizing our contributions is a great start to building relationships on which a safe strong community can be built.

- JoEllyn Jolstad, Editor
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Volunteers are the Heart of Bryn Mawr

“Volunteering is the ultimate exercise in democracy. You vote in elections once a year, but when you volunteer, you vote every day about the kind of community you want to live in.”
~Author Unknown

“Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they just have the heart.” – Elizabeth Andrew

Spring is coming to Bryn Mawr and with it comes the Bryn Mawr Neighborhood Association’s (BMNA) Annual Meeting. The Annual Meeting is Bryn Mawr’s official business meeting wherein board members are elected for a two-year term. The board consists of officers and area representatives. Elections for board members are staggered so that in each year about half of the board is up for election. This year, the positions of President and Secretary are up, as well as even numbered area representatives. Bryn Mawr is divided into seven areas, so the even numbered areas 2, 4 and 6 are up this year. Each area can elect up to 3 representatives to serve on the board.

The BMNA is incorporated as a 501c3 non-profit organization. It is the recognized entity representing the interests of the geographical portion of Minneapolis designated as the Bryn Mawr Neighborhood. The BMNA’s stated purpose is:

“...to strengthen our community, improve our quality of life, foster good personal relationships and to open channels of information and communication in our community.”

The BMNA strives to accomplish this mission by maintaining lines of communication with elected representatives and being actively involved in issues that affect the neighborhood. One well known issue over the past decade or more has been the Southwest Light Rail line, for example. The BMNA has been actively involved in SWLRT from the start with representatives on multiple advisory committees. One of the BMNA’s most recent actions was to request a supplemental environmental assessment for the barrier wall that is to be constructed in the corridor between Bryn Mawr and the Cedar Lake Trail area. That

request was submitted to the Met Council and the review was done. Bryn Mawr representatives have also been working on landscape and screening options to reduce the wall’s impact from a visual point of view.

Another example of a long-term project that the BMNA has been working on is the redevelopment of the Basset Creek Valley between Bryn Mawr and downtown. The area has been largely industrial for many years and suffered a great deal of environmental contamination. Slowly, working together with the city, the Harrison neighborhood, and other stakeholders, the underutilized land is attracting interest and is evolving into new uses. The SWLRT is playing a part in the increased desirability of the area for development since Bryn Mawr will have two stations within its boundaries, the station at Penn and 394, and the station at Van White Blvd (the Basset’s Creek Station).

In the coming few years, development will almost certainly come to other parts of the neighborhood as well since some large parcels are either for sale, or in one case, recently sold.

Other things the BMNA does: Sponsors and puts on community building events such as the annual Festival of Yard Sales, the annual Ice Cream Scoop-Off, the annual Harvest Dinner, Sip and Stroll and Saturnalia events.

The Bryn Mawr Garden Tour every other year.

Extensive public garden spaces. Community projects.

Support of the schools (Anwatin and Bryn Mawr Elementary).

Publication and distribution of the Bryn Mawr Bugle, possibly the last neighborhood-specific newspaper around.

Maintenance of our website, bmna.org.

And more.

Please consider getting involved! The Annual Meeting and Potluck will be held on May 9th at the Bryn Mawr Elementary School in the cafeteria. Check BMNA.org for more info about the neighborhood and the association. If you’re interested in serving on the board, contact Brian Treece at vicepresident@bmna.org.

- Kevin Thompson, BMNA President

★ Unsung Heros



Area 5

Serving as an area representative is one way to volunteer in Bryn Mawr, but there are many other ways our neighbors contribute their time and energy. Meet the Carlson family. Rod and Jenny open their garage and home to volunteers in Bryn Mawr each May for the BMNA garage sale. They clean out their garage, give me access to it for the week before (and a few days after), volunteer at the sale and

donate to the sale! The Carlsons are like so many of you. Their contributions are invaluable and most neighbors are unaware of their generosity. I am making an effort in 2018 to highlight our “unsung heroes” each month.

Last month we featured Heidi Rupp and her children. They deliver the Bugle each month. I hope you saw it.

- Patty Wycoff, Area 4
BMNA Neighborhood Coordinator

A Heartfelt Thank You For Two Wonderful Neighbors

We are lucky to live on this side of the street where Rod Carlson and Matt Pequignot live. Every time it snows they are there early clearing off the sidewalks for the whole block and up to front doors and our driveway.

They are the kind of neighbors that make Bryn Mawr what it is - a good place to live. My husband did it for 39 years and wore out 3 snowblowers doing it. But now he is too lazy even though he is only 85 years old. Matt and Rod also volunteer for other deeds in Bryn Mawr.

- Barb King, Area 5

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2018 BMNA Board Member Elections

Each year at the annual meeting in the second week of May, there are elections for BMNA area representatives. This year Areas 2, 4, and 6 will be on the ballot.

Check out the map for the boundaries for your area.

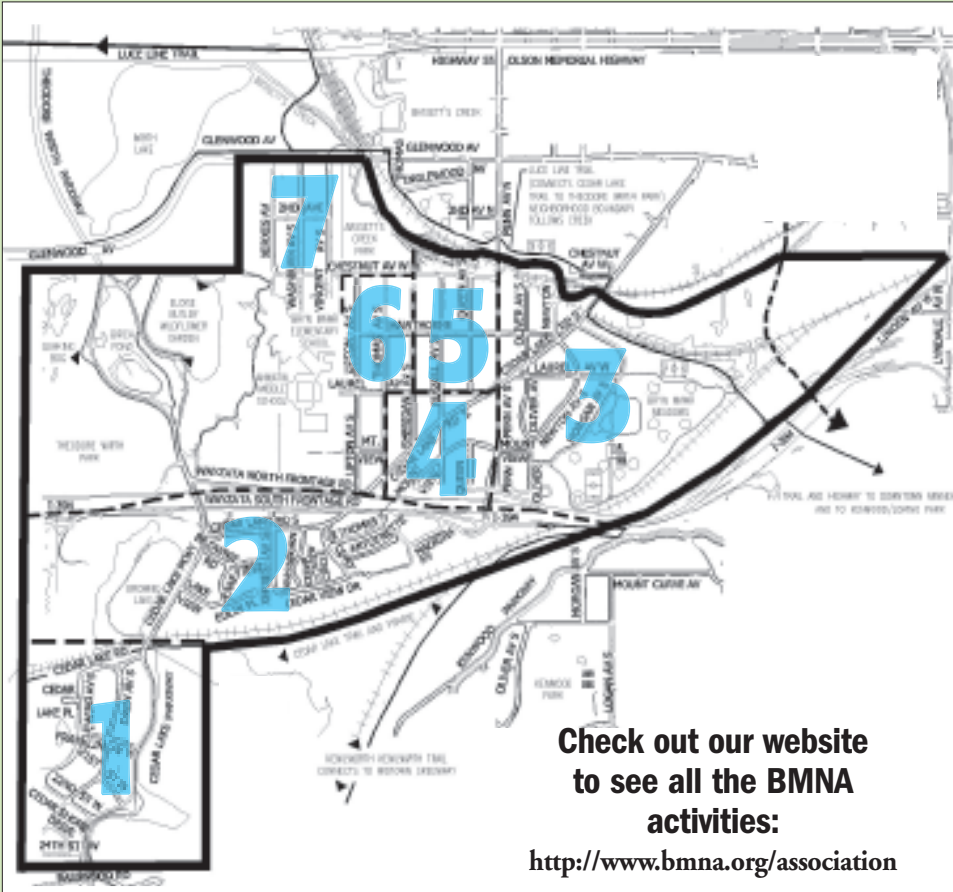
Area rep duties include:

- Attend monthly board meetings from 6:30 PM - 8:15 PM on the second Wednesday of the month.
- Attend neighborhood events (Harvest Dinner, Saturnalia, Annual Meeting, Ice Cream Social etc.)
- Attend important neighborhood meetings, i.e. LRT, Penn Ave remodel, neighborhood revitalization meetings
- Pass out welcome packets to new neighbors
- Listen to neighbors

opinions and weigh in on issues affecting the neighborhood

- Encourage neighbors to join the BMNA and participate in neighborhood meetings and events

Also on the ballot in May will be President and Secretary. If you are interested in being a candidate for an area representative or for an officer position, email Brian Treece at vicepresident@bmna.org.



Current Slate for May 2018:

- Area 2 - Lynda Shaheen and Susan Verrett
Area 4 - Christopher Etz and Joanne Michalec
Area 6 - Vida Ditter, Jay Peterson and Barry Schade
President - Kevin Thompson
Secretary - JD Dietrich

BMNA

The Mission of the BMNA

The BMNA purpose is to:

- Strengthen our community.
- Improve the quality of life in our community.
- Foster good personal relationships in our community.
- Open channels for information and communication in our community.

The BMNA strives to:

- Actively search out opportunities in our community for improving the quality of life.
- Then, through research and discussion, arrive at and implement courses of action directed toward the realization of such opportunities.
- Function as a non-sectarian, non-partisan group to keep the Bryn Mawr community alert and informed on proposals and activities of the various civic, commercial and governmental bodies, which affect the community.
- Coordinate the activities of the BMNA with other neighborhood organizations and institutions.
- Represent the feelings and opinions of the members of the BMNA.
- Provide governmental agencies with an organization from which they can obtain community information and reaction to their proposals, plans and policies.

Bryn Mawr Neighborhood Association Calendar - April 2018

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.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Minneapolis Public Schools Spring Break - No meetings at the schools April 2-6						
8	9	10	BMNA monthly meeting, 6:30-8:30, Bryn Mawr Elementary cafeteria	11	12	BMNA 2018 Membership Kick-Off Party at Cuppa Java. Entertainment 7-9
15	16	ROC, 6:30, Harrison Community Center	17	18	19	20
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	Looking ahead... Anwatin Middle School Carnival, May 4 BMNA Festival of Garage Sales, May 5-6 BMNA Annual Meeting and Potluck Dinner, May 9 Bryn Mawr Elementary Family Fun Night, May 18th				



Up North

by Mike Brennan, Area 3

Last month, the Up North series kicked off by highlighting Boom Island Brewery, good beer, cats, and cat videos. Don't worry, that sentence should only make sense if you read the article! Since that time, the Minneapolis Park Board's Community Action Committee (of which, I'm fortunate enough to be a member) continued its work to inform plans to re-design Minneapolis parks north of I-394 and west of I-94.

Plans have really been coming along, and community engagement by the Park Board remains remarkably good. There have been meetings with landscape design companies from across the country, and the Master Plan for North Minneapolis is starting to take shape. Please consider getting involved! While you're Up North, maybe you'll consider hitting Boom Island Brewery or my latest exploration of North Minneapolis, So Low Grocery Outlet.

I have to admit, I've been curious about So Low, since I first saw Fancy Ray McCloney singing its praises on TV: "they'll bag you up and carry you out! Located on Emerson and Lowry. So Low! Where Big Mama gets her greens, and saves some green!!! HaHaHa-Ha." If you haven't seen the commercials, you'll find them with lots of Thumbs Up on YouTube. They. Are. Awesome.

Fancy Ray declares So Low to have "the best meat department in Minnesota: chicken wings, cat fish nuggets, neckbones, smoked turkey tails, ribs, chops, everything!" In another commercial, there's a reference to pigs' feet. When my wife and I were dreaming up the menu for Christmas dinner for 15 people this year, it came down to pigs feet or pork loin. The loin won out by a toenail, and my boys and I headed to So Low on a quiet Friday afternoon.

I have to say that I don't know if there would have been a better way to foster my kids' empathy for racial minorities than to make them a



minority themselves, even if only while shopping for pork. There's no doubt we stuck out like a white thumb. There's also no doubt that North Minneapolis was as Minnesota Nice as Ely.

It took us a few minutes to get oriented to the vast selection and, from there, we really needed help. Having missed the "take a number" cues, we stood patiently waiting to be helped. Another patron immediately noted our predicament and, despite her having the next number, directed the butcher to us (if you're reading this, thank you again!). What we got from the butcher was smiles, witty banter, and far more than our fair share of his time, without even an inkling of guilt. It was one of the most pleasant shopping experiences I have had.

And how was the meat? I can't blame So Low for putting their pork in the hands of a complete hack (me). I smoked it way too long, but the meat itself saved the day. My guests were very gracious, and I'll be back to So Low again soon.



Meet the Board

Get to know more about those who serve on the BMNA Board

Meet BMNA President, Kevin Thompson and Area 3 Representative/BMNA Garden Committee Chair, Dennie Juillerat

How long have you lived in Bryn Mawr?
17 years in Bryn Mawr.

Why did you choose to join board? Why do you stay?

We serve on the board because we love Bryn Mawr and want to help maintain the qualities that make it a comfortable, welcoming and desirable place to live. We stay on the board for those reasons and also because of the satisfaction that comes with contributing to the neighborhood as well as the friendships made with others who also choose to serve.

Which committees do you serve on?

Kevin was on the board from 2004 - 2008 and again from 2014 - present. Served as VP then President the first time around, then came back as President.



Dennie joined the board in 2012 as Area 3 Representative. 2015 he organized the BMNA Garden Committee as the Chair and continues to lead this committee.

What would you say that will encourage others to get involved?

We encourage others to participate. We love having new board members who bring insight and experience that broadens our perspectives as we look at issues facing the neighborhood now and going forward.

BMNA 2018

Membership

Kick-Off Party - April 13

Join neighbors on April 13th at Cuppa Java to celebrate the BMNA 2018 Membership Drive. Enjoy jazz pianist, Rod Gordon (Area 3 resident), and support the neighborhood association. Cuppa Java owner, Bob Gillem, is donating 10% of the sales on the 13th to the BMNA. He is offering \$1 off of all beer and \$2 off of wine all night. Rod will play from 7-9 PM. Grab a coffee, breakfast, lunch, dinner, dessert, or drinks and bring your 2018 membership contribution.

Come to the Cedar Lake Park Association Annual Meeting

Tuesday April 10 from 6:30 to 8:30 PM.
Jones-Harrison Residence, 3700 Cedar Lake Avenue, MPLS MN
Light refreshments served.



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From the ARCHIVES

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

Here's a page from the June 1990 Bugle. Milda's is still on Glenwood (under new ownership and across the street from the original location) and has been in business for 53 years!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, DEAR MILDA'S

Helen Nelson was at the party

Milda's Cafe celebrated its twenty-fifth anniversary in April with almost enough silver balloons to match the many smiles from Milda and her happy customers. Some of those customers remember back to Milda's start-up.

Congratulations, Milda, for running a fine cafe, and for being a star friend and neighbor. Also, thanks for sharing the anniversary cake!

— Helen Nelson, former BUGLE editor, Area 4

The secret of her success

Milda's Cafe is a little bit of heaven for breakfast lovers in Minneapolis, and it has won accolades for years.

Opened in 1965 by Milda Hokkanen, the cafe recently celebrated its twenty-fifth anniversary.

"We started with twelve tables and forty-eight chairs," Hokkanen recalled recently, adding that business was good from the start for the restaurant.

Still, the early years were not without hardships. First, there was a fire, which kept the restaurant closed for months. But the restaurant sprang back from that calamity, reopening on an April Fool's Day (the same day as the restaurant's original opening).

And there was the dilemma of the original furniture, which wasn't hardy enough for the customers.

"With those heavy guys, the tables and chairs didn't last," says Hokkanen, who recalls having to buy new furniture after just two years.

Milda's also had the enviable problem of being more popular than the owner had figured. Right from the start, the cafe was crowded with customers.

"I was frightened," says Hokkanen. "When the place was full, I wondered if the food would last."

In its early years, Milda's was open for breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Later, dinner was eliminated, and the cafe began closing in mid-afternoon.

Breakfast aficionados flock to Milda's for many things. One favorite is the cinnamon rolls baked right on the spot. "We introduced those during the first year." Omelettes, too, are a big attraction, including Denver and ham and cheese.

The lunch crowd at Milda's has its favorites, too. Among them, bread pudding and hot meat loaf—again made right in the cafe's kitchen. On Tuesdays there's a longstanding special: vegetable soup and egg salad sandwiches.

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Milda's is also known for its pasties—a little meat pie. On the inside is ground beef, potatoes, carrots, and onions. On the outside is Milda's homemade pie crust.

Over the years, Milda's has been singled out for acclaim by a variety of newspapers and magazines around the Twin Cities. One columnist for a Minneapolis daily

newspaper even wrote his column from a table in the restaurant. His "Views from Milda's" ran for twelve weeks.

To Milda, the secret of the restaurant's success is that "everybody is treated equally—whether they are president of the United States." Another facet is a clean restaurant, she says, adding that "cleanliness seems to be tops" among customers.

In recent years, Milda's has slowed down a bit. She's turned over the reins of the restaurant to her son-in-law, Tom Eisenschenk.

"If it hadn't been for Tom, we couldn't have carried on," she says. We would have closed long ago."

Eisenschenk says the success of Milda's is the result of many things, among them quality of food and consistency from one visit to the next.

"You're never surprised when you order something."

Milda's is located on the southeast corner of Glenwood and Morgan North in the Harrison neighborhood. Hours are 6 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday, 6 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday. Closed Sunday.

— Tom Gilsenan, Minneapolis freelance writer

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Four dozen homes will be open for the free, self-guided tour Saturday, April 28, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sunday, April 29 from 1-5 p.m. The homeowners, and in many cases contractors, architects, and other trades people are available to talk with guests.

To plan a free, self-guided tour, visitors can go to www.MSPHomeTour.com for a downloadable PDF of the Guide starting in early April. Paper copies of the Guide will be available at most metro area libraries.

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Mike Killeen



As a busy professional, I chose a home in a neighborhood with small-town charm, access to some of the best urban and natural features, and a five-minute commute to downtown Minneapolis. My story-and-a-half features beautiful original woodwork along with eclectic modern furnishings and a new kitchen

open to the original dining room. Livable square footage more than doubled by creating a spacious, restful master suite in the unfinished upper level, and a theatre and home office in the lower level. Other modern upgrades include in-floor heating, forced air cooling system and “smart home” technology with lighting, thermostats, security, house-wide audio system and electronic devices controlled remotely by phone or computer. I've found a hands-on general contractor who delivers high quality, design-savvy remodeling services in an accessible package.

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Our kitchen renovation was driven by a desire to create a space for semi-formal dining within the existing confines of our small eat-in kitchen. We removed an imposing central island and expanded a dropped soffit to create a well-proportioned space in which to center a table. Around the perimeter, small, flexible appliances enable full cooking potential, and modular cabinets provide elegant and highly functional features in minimal space. Our cabinets and panels, provided and installed by Puustelli USA, feature ebony stained base cabinets, whitewashed upper cabinets, and large-format ceramic counters and backsplash to withstand culinary abuse. The combination of DIY and professional services made our vision for cooking and gathering a reality! Presented by Puustelli USA and SALA Architects.

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Transgender Ally Workshop

Bryn Mawr Church is hosting a Transgender Ally Workshop event on Sunday, April 29 from 3:00-4:30 pm. Back by popular demand, the featured presenter will be Austen Hartke, the creator of the YouTube series “Transgender and Christian,” and the author of “Transforming: The Bible and the Lives of Transgender Christians,” now available from Westminster John Knox Press. Along with sharing from his own experience as a transgender person and a person of faith, Austen will also address several key questions: What are some common terms and vocabulary? What is the transgender community? How can transgender allies build authentically welcoming communities and families? How can individuals and organizations create safe spaces and work for justice? What practical steps can we take to work towards full inclusion?

The event is free and open to the public; the church welcomes those who are part of the LGBTQ+ community as well as those who are still in the early stages of learning about marginalized gender identities and sexualities.

Austen has spoken at conferences all over the country and with organizations including the Reformation



Project, Q Christian Fellowship (previously Gay Christian Network), The Wild Goose Festival, Why Christian?, Lutheran Outdoor Ministries, and the Philadelphia Transgender Health Conference. Currently Austen lives in St. Paul, MN where he spends his downtime baking, reading about theology, and exploring Minnesota State Parks with his dog, Mowgli. You can purchase his book “Transforming: The Bible and the Lives of Transgender Christians” at your local bookstore, or at <http://austenhartke.com/book>.

Bryn Mawr Church is located at 420 S. Cedar Lake Rd. in downtown Bryn Mawr and is accessible; find more details online at bryn-mawrchurch.org and austenhartke.com.

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- April 12, 2017 That wonderful day when the familiar gray-brown silhouette of distant trees is—for the first time—slightly, but definitely, green!
- April 29, 2018 Full moon, the Dakota Magaokada Wi or goose-laying moon

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Youth & Schools

Family Fun Night

Bryn Mawr's Family Fun Night and Silent Auction will be held on Friday, May 18, this year. This annual event is open to all and includes a carnival, dinner and silent auction. For more information or to donate, email ptabrynmawrmn@gmail.com.

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Remaining plants will be sold at the "Last Chance Sale" in downtown Bryn Mawr, corner of Cedar Lake Road & Laurel Ave on Friday and Saturday.

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Youth at the Capitol Tuesday, March 27

Youth Leaders from North High School and Anwatin Middle School attended the Minnesota State Legislature Youth Day at the Capitol. 20+ students met with Representative Raymond Debn and discussed difficult topics such as education funding, safer communities, racial equity and the disproportionate criminalization of youth of color.



"March for our lives" Peace Rally at Anwatin Middle School



Bryn Mawr Moms on the Search for Good Books & Food

Killers of the Flower Moon: The Osage Murders and the Birth of the FBI
By David Grann

Molly Burkhardt knew the members of her family were being murdered, but authorities appeared unable to discover who was behind the poisonings, brutal shootings, and arson. It started with the mysterious death of Molly’s 27 year old sister, from what doctors claimed was “wasting disease.” Two years later, another sister was found shot in the head in her car, and shortly after that her mother died of the vague “wasting disease.” By the time a third sister was killed in a house fire, Molly had no doubts that someone was targeting her family.

This riveting true story of the murders of members of the Osage Nation chronicles the history of the U.S government’s broken promises to American Indians, the Oklahoma oil boom of the early 1900’s, and the early years of the FBI, woven together in a conspiracy to take control of the oil the Osage Indians owned. Given how long this travesty went on, and the number of agencies and people involved, we were taken aback that we had never heard of this historical event. It speaks to the absence of narrative for marginalized peoples in the United States.

After many broken agreements, the Osage Nation was forced to sell their lands in Kansas in the 1870’s, and bought a parcel of land in Oklahoma that was hilly and unsuited for farming. They were one of few American Indian nations to buy their own reservation. In a shrewd move, it was stipulated in the purchase agreement that the land’s “oil, gas, coal, or other minerals” would also be owned by the tribe. When oil was discovered, the Osage

leased their land to prospectors, including the Getty, Skelly, Sinclair, and Phillips families. Grann writes, “In 1923 alone the tribe took in more than \$30 million, the equivalent today of more than \$400 million. The Osage were considered the wealthiest people per capita in the world.”

The wealth concentrated in the Osage Nation was a great source of envy and frustration for white settlers and town leaders. Molly’s family was not the only one to be systematically murdered. Between 1920 and 1924 over a dozen killings occurred, including an oilman who was advocating for the tribe in Washington and an investigator sent to find out what was happening. A Washington Post headline read “Conspiracy Believed to Kill Rich Indians.” It became known as the Osage Reign of Terror.

With local and state authorities unable or unwilling to find the killers, the fledgling FBI stepped in. Grann’s meticulous research documents the case FBI agent Tom White was able to pull together to expose those behind the murders of possibly hundreds of people. His work illuminates how the FBI grew into the organization it is today.

This book is dense; filled with dates, and quotes and references. There are numerous facts and characters to keep track of, with Grann linking direct quotes from resource materials. For some, it was difficult to power through. But it’s a compelling crime story that needs to be exposed, revealing the disturbing attempts to destroy a proud nation, told with urgency and compassion.

What the Moms are reading now:
The Boy Kings of Texas
by Domingo Martinez

Moms at La Mesa

The Moms were excited to visit the new neighborhood restaurant “La Mesa” on a recent Friday night. Though we loved “Sparks” and were sad to see it go, we were overjoyed to see that its space was so quickly filled. An excellent complement to our neighborhood in every way. We got there as quickly as our schedules would allow. We were not disappointed.

Because it was a Friday night, it was full but with minimal waiting times. There was usually at least one table available in the ‘new’ section in which we were sitting. The space is a lovely and well designed as before, of course, though a bit dark for my taste, but then I’m a bright lights gal. The noise level was very acceptable especially given how full the dining room was.

The beer and wine selections were good and not too expensive and there were some exotic imported sodas and soft drinks from South America. We’ll try them next time or perhaps when we visit with kids. This visit we opted for adult beverages.

We ordered the chicken wings —4 whole wings to an order, not just drumettes. They were excellent, prepared in a chili sauce (gluten free), but with a Minnesota spice level (not too hot). They were a bit messy and we wished we’d had

some of those little packet hand wipes. We also ordered the Queso Fundito which we loved best of all! It is a spiced cheese sauce served with grilled crostini for dipping. Yummy! Kind of an Andean fondue.

Next we ordered the Chorizo pizza on a gluten free crust, mahi mahi tacos and the Chuzos – marinated chicken skewers with Andean corn and red onion-tomato salad. The gluten free pizza crust was excellent. The gluten intolerant among us said it was the best she’d ever had. She even had to double check it was gluten free, it looked and tasted so different than she’d had in the past. The pizza topping could have used a bit more sausage. One in our party thought the pizza was too bland. The rest thought it was fine. The tacos were good, the grilled mahi mahi excellent but the tortillas themselves were crumbly, so not a finger food. The chicken skewers were very tasty as was the salad. We did not care for the Andean corn.

Then, yum of yums, we ordered dessert! We shared a piece of Tres Leches cake that was moist but not too sweet, just as it’s supposed to be, and a martini glass full of chocolate mousse that was excellent.

Kudos to the chefs and the servers and welcome, La Mesa, to the neighborhood.

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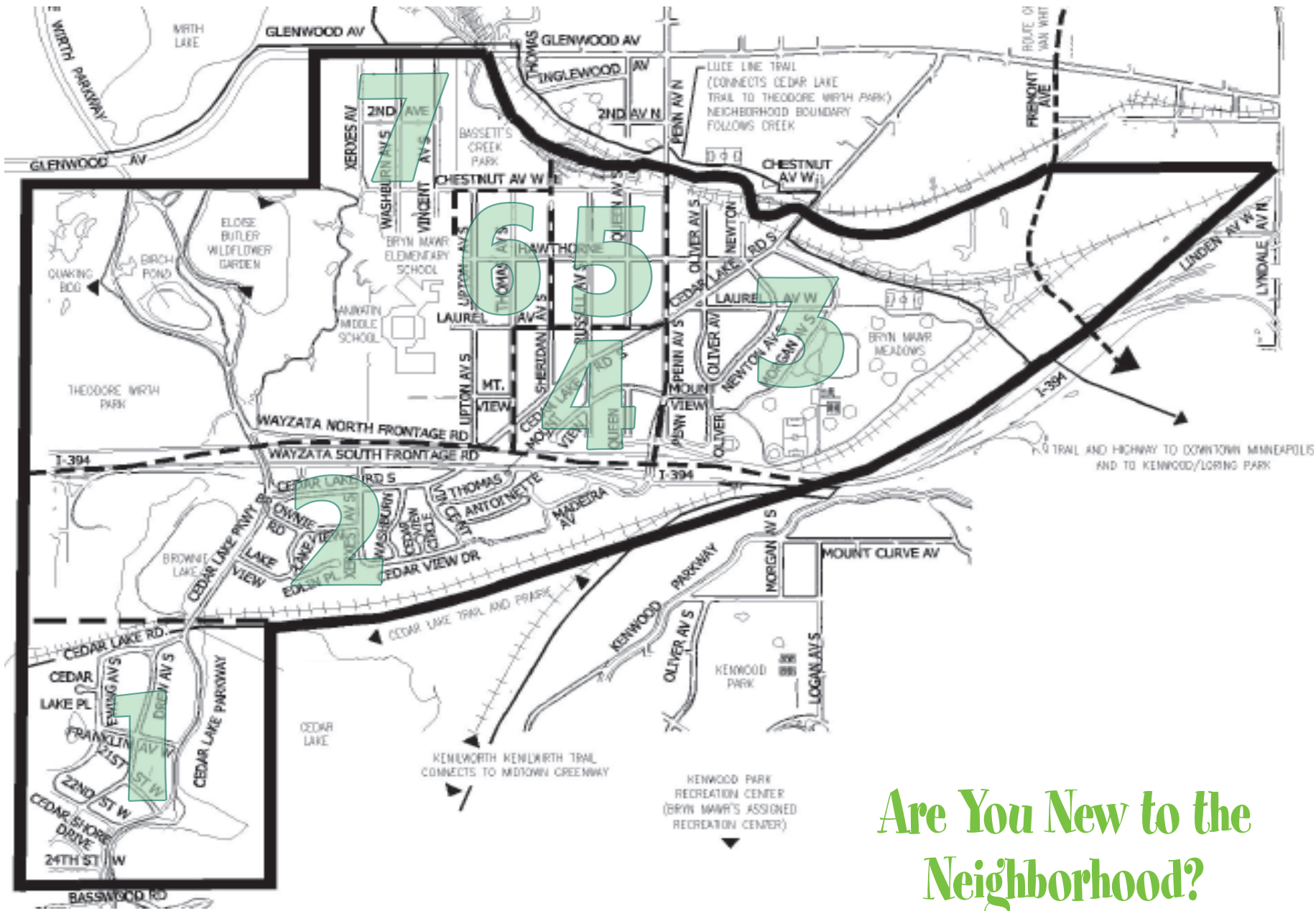
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