

BRYNGAWR BUGHE

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2022 BMNA Events

Winter Fest

Friday, February 25th

Festival of Garage Sales

Saturday, May 7th

Annual Meeting

Wednesday, May 11th

Ice Cream Social

Thursday, July 28th

Member Night

Thursday, September 22nd

Sip & Stroll

Thursday, October 13th

Harvest Dinner

TBD November

Saturnalia

Saturday. December 10th

- McKenzie Erickson, Bryn Mawr Neighborhood Association Events Coordinator events@bmna.org 612.987.2067



Winter Fest

Friday, February 25th, 6-10pm

oin neighbors in kicking off the year with an evening at Utepils! Tickets are \$30 online till noon day of and \$35 at the door. Dinner and a beverage token are included. Taco bar from 6:00-8:00pm, Silent Auction from 6:00-8:30pm, and music throughout. Percolators will turn up the volume for dancing from 8:00-10:00pm. Funds raised enable communications like The Bryn Mawr Bugle and email newsletters, beautification projects like the banners and neighborhood gardens, advocacy on important planning and safety efforts, and the planning of over eight annual events. We're monitoring CDC, MN Dept of Health, and Utepils's covid guidelines.

Donations needed for the Silent Auction!

- Do you have a gift card that you would love to re-gift?
- Do you own a business and want to donate an item or gift card?
- Holiday present that is sitting on a shelf?

Please contact Lynda Shaheen at coordinator@bmna.org or 612.234.7819 to arrange a tax deductible donation. Donors will be listed in our Auction Catalog.

We are also looking for Sponsors. The money we raise through sponsorship will enable us to fund the costs associated with the event. Sponsors receive tickets and advertisement on our posters and social media posts. We have 3 levels of sponsorship: \$100-Silver, \$250-Gold, \$500 Platinum. Silver sponsors receive 2 tickets to the event, Gold-4 tickets, Platinum-8 tickets.







Sponsor Deadline:

Contact Lynda Shaheen coordinator@bmna.org by January 31 so we can include you in our printed materials.

BMNA Monthly Meetings



Upcoming BMNA Meetings on Google Meet:

Wednesday, February 9 at 6:30pm
Wednesday, March 9 at 6:30pm
Email coordinator@bmna.org or call 612.234.7819
for meeting link and joining information.

Sewer Project Begins in Bryn Mawr Meadows

he City of Minneapolis, Public Works, has announced that construction for phase 2 of the Irving Sewer Project has begun and will last about six months. The work will take place within Bryn Mawr Meadows and in the intersection of Laurel & Morgan Aves. The main impacts should be noise and vibra-

tions from pile driving to support the sewer, trail detours within the park and detours related to the work in the intersection of Laurel & Morgan Ave.

The Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board and Bassett Creek WMO and Public Works are in the design process for the Bryn Mawr Parks improvement Project. The project includes work to add stormwater ponds to improve water quality and redo the park amenities

and parking areas. All three organizations are coordinating on design and construction for the projects. Construction for the park project is planned to follow work by the City on the sewer.

-Barry Schade, Area 6





BRYN MAWR NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, December 8, 2021 6:30–8:15 PM Google Meet/Virtual Meeting

Board and Staff

Kevin Thompson - President Brian Treece - Vice President Roberta Jordan - Co-Treasurer Jessica Wiley - Secretary Liv Nielsen - Area 1 Co-Rep Scott Graham - Area 1 Co-Rep Sue Verrett - Area 2 Co -Rep Allison Fruen - Area 3 Co-Rep Dennie Juillerat - Area 3 Co-Rep Joanne Michalec - Area 4 Co-Rep Chris Etz - Area 4 Co-Rep Colleen Dhennin - Area 5 Co-Rep Beth Turnbull - Area 5 Co-Rep Bridget Bergheger - Area 5 Co-Rep Jay Peterson - Area 6 Co-Rep Rod Miller - Area 6 Co-Rep Barry Schade - Area 6 Co-Rep Kate Knuth - Area 7 Co-Rep Anthony Ramirez - Area 7 Co-Rep JoEllyn Jolstad - Bugle Editor Lynda Shaheen - Communication/ **Fundraising Coordinator** McKenzie Erickson - Event Coordinator

Guests:

Bill Magnuson - Minneapolis Police Department Inspector Charlie Adams - Minneapolis Police Department Claire Wilson - Loppet Foundation David Dayton - Area 7/Loppet Foundation Mary & Nance Duffy - Area 1 Dot Lilja - Area 2

Mary & Nance Duffy - Area 1 Dot Lilja - Area 2 Jeff Zuckerman - Area 2 Amy Sheldon - Area 2 Cindy Andress - Area 3 Cassandra Cedarholm - Area 3 Allison Reese - Area 3 Larry Opelt - Area 3 Anne Reiber and Gina Reese - Area 4 Dave Dutcher - Area 5 Jean DuFresne - Area 5 Trisha Cleveland - Area 5 Jenny and Paul Schmitz - Area 5 Jennifer Weeks - Area 5 Barbara Baum - Area 5 Ed and Bette Erickson - Area 6 Rachel McCauley - Area 6 Rebecca Jensen - Area 6 John Trujillo - Area 6 Abbie Kane - Area 6 Bill Miner - Area 6 Danette Scorza - Area 6 Molly Dengler - Area 7 Kaylah O'Dea - Area 7 Jennifer Kaufmann - Area 7 Scot Ferguson - Area 7 Trevor Senn - Area 7 Judith Rebekka

Call to Order at 6:30 PM.

Agenda approval moved, seconded. Motion carried. Addition to agenda - Loppet Update. Minutes from November 10, 2021, moved, seconded. Motion carried.

Loppet Foundation Update -

Claire Wilson/David Dayton

Claire is new Executive Director of Loppet Foundation. Loppet operates Theodore Wirth Park in partnership with MPB. Oversee all winter events at Theo Wirth, groom and maintain trails including skiing and walking. Working to keep up with maintenance. Serving youth; programs are exploding. Restoring the bog. Building a bridge to connect bog and Eloise Butler. Reach out with concerns. Ski pass purchases support the park. Work with Park Board police to address crime in the area. The Melanin in Motion program, effort to engage more BIPOC community.

Crime Prevention Specialist, – William Magnuson/Inspector Charlie Adams, MPD

Bill presented the stats for the seven Part I crimes in Bryn Mawr from mid-November to date. Part 1 crimes involve victims at a felony level; do not include crimes of property. Reported a domestic assault, a theft by swindle through the internet, two burglaries at the same address, two robberies on the street, and a burglary at the Market. Two suspects were charged for the burglary at the Market minneapolismn.gov/resident-services/public-safety/police-public-safety/crime-maps-dashboards/

Bill and Charlie responded to questions from guests and board members. Concerns were expressed about how to increase safety; what should neighbors be doing, what is MPD doing. Bill described the training for the MPD Block Club Leader program. Discussion around staffing levels at MPD, what happens when a suspect is arrested. Discussed camera coverage of business areas, security cameras in the neighborhood, effective communication channels, and encampment issues. Bill is working with homeless outreach group on encampment issues. Block Club Leader training will be scheduled for late January 2022 and for later in the year. Bill will provide tips for neighbors for creating safety plans. Kevin presented information on prosecution processes and stats for juvenile prosecution from the County Attorney's office; they report that they prosecute 80% of the cases they receive. County Attorney's office can be sent victim impact statements they provide victim support services. Links will be sent when received from the County. Bill has proposed scheduling a separate monthly crime meeting that he would facilitate. Lynda will work with him to set this up.

Treasurer Report- Roberta Jordan / Deb Anderson

Board members received draft budget prior to the meeting. Have access to budget worksheets in the Google Drive. Will vote on final budget at January 12, 2022, meeting. Jay addressed the deficit budgeting we have had for a few years. Jessica answered questions about the budget worksheets. Roberta reminded board and staff to get expenses in before the end of the year.

Communications and Fundrais-

ing Report - Lynda Shaheen

Fundraising - raised \$595 at Give to The Max. Our CPP grant was approved for \$1790. Will be buying a camera that allows for live streaming. City is proposing a new traffic calming process, neighborhood associations would be involved in the future. Chris stated that the new process would be more equitable and standardized.

Event Report - McKenzie Erickson

Saturnalia this Saturday. Drumming group, horse-drawn carriage, marshmallow roasting, kids' craft.

Bugle - JoEllyn Jolstad

No Bugle in January. Deadline for February is January 20. Bugle delivery was discussed. There are reports that some blocks are not getting the Bugle. JoEllyn plans to tighten up distribution.

Webmaster - Jeremy Staffeld

Sent an email report. At 96% for disk space on server, might need to purchase more. Renew our certificate with the server host before the end of the year. Ensuring that all board meeting minutes are on the website.

Committee Reports (as needed)

Finance/Membership - Jessica Wiley

Last requirement for CPP report, have to submit our operations manual to the city, which includes all our bylaws, policies, etc. City has required language for the bylaws. Jessica moved to amend the BMNA bylaws, adding a requirement that Board members take a 2 year break after serving 6 years beginning with the 2022 May elections and each election after that, and that there are no membership dues. Jay seconded. Scott found typos in the bylaws; they will be corrected with this motion. Jay raised some issues with board terms. Kevin reminded the board that we do have Emeritus status for the board members. Barry raised possibility of an advisory committee. We will address these issues before our May elections. Motion carried.

Gardens - Dennie Juillerat

Penn Avenue median planter was damaged. MN DOT will be repairing.

Parks - Chris Etz/Barry Schade

Thanks to David Dayton for arranging for Claire Wilson to attend our meeting. Master Plan for Cedar Lake/Lake of the Isles is out. Can access the draft at the Park website. New initiative for green new deal; group from Ward 7 is meeting to discuss this.

Racial Justice - Kate Knuth/ McKenzie Erickson/Liv Nielson

Reminder that our Diversity, Equity and Inclusion training is taking place over Zoom the next two Sundays from 10-12.

Safety/Traffic - Chris Etz/Rod

Discussed traffic calming proposal from City. Thanked Lynda for facilitat-

ing MPD Block Club Leader training. Our safety page on our website has links to MPD crime info reports and alerts. Businesses encourage neighbors to strike a balance between showing concern and continually questioning staff about specifics of the crimes, which is disturbing for them

Schools - Lynda Shaheen

Colleen Dhennin is new schools' committee chair. Free pediatric vaccination clinic this month at Bryn Mawr Elementary.

Other Standing Reports (as needed)

ROC/Basset Creek Valley Update
New impound lot building open,
new entrance off Van White. BMNA
has been working for years to downsize/improve the lot.

SWLRT Update

Barry discussed proposal for gateway art. Have approached project staff, no traction yet.

Discussion Items, New Business, Updates and Announcements

Wirth on the Woods construction schedule is not available yet, due to shipment problems. Cement trucks are trying to mitigate disturbances to neighbors by using south frontage road, fewer homes. The developers have increased security at the site. Thanks to Rod for facilitating a neighborhood meeting. Adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: Wednesday, January 12, 2022

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Guests:

Lisa Goodman - Minneapolis City Councilperson Bill Magnuson - Crime Prevention Specialist, MPD

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Emma Pachuta - Minneapolis Park

Lolita Ulloa - Hennepin County Deputy Attorney

Tom Arneson - Hennepin County Juvenile Division Managing Attorney Mary and Nance Duffy - Area 1

Pat Venus - Area 1

John Davenport - Area 1

Susu Jeffries - Area 2

Allison Reese - Area 3

Buddy Scroggins - Area 3

Lynn Marasco - Area 3

Marcia Glick - Area 4

Anne Reiber - Area 4

Lisa Heidenreich - Area 4

Jenny Schmitz - Area 5

Dave Dutcher - Area 5

Haven Stephens - Area 6

R Michael Martens - Area 6 Richard and Connie Adair - Area 6

Bill Miner - Area 6

Abby Kane - Area 6

Laura Wade - Area 6

Patrick

Paul Pentel - Area 6 Beth Frankman - Area 6

Molly Dengler - Area 7

Jennifer Kaufman - Area 7

William Emory - Office of Hennepin County Commissioner Irene Fer-

nando Liz Sawyer - Reporter, Star Tribune

Call to Order at 6:30 PM

Agenda approval moved, seconded. Motion carried.

Minutes from December 8, 2021, moved, seconded. Motion carried.

City of Minneapolis -Councilperson Lisa Goodman

City Council selected new council president. Lisa was asked to stay on as chair of Business, Inspection, Housing, and Zoning (BIZ) Committee, three committees combined into one. Variance requested on Drew near Cedar Lake. City Council has extended declaration of covid emergency, means most meetings will be online. Mayor announced vaccine requirement for places/venues that sell food. Lunch with Lisa will be in person this month. City Council adopted its budget in December. \$2.6 million increase in youth programming for park and rec board; will address issues of youth involved in crime. Behavioral Crisis Response pilot project. \$8 million contract with Canopy Roots, will be operating from 7:30 -midnight. Hiring community service officers; college students working towards law enforcement licensure. Community Connections conference is being postponed until May. Sign up for Ward 7 Newsletter through Lisa's office. Newsletters are sent out on Fridays. Making every effort to keep communities informed but also have accurate information. Works closely with BMNA to put out timely, accurate information. minneapolismn.gov/government/citycouncil/ward-7/newsletters/

Cedar Lake Master Plan Update - Emma Pachuta, Minneapolis **Park Board**

Released draft of master plan concepts. In early stages of design phase. 2 concepts, no final decisions made: great time for input. 6 guiding princi-

ples -protect, invite, connect, tell stories, celebrate, and respect. Discussed both concepts and priorities of each. Proposing lake restoration; keeping Cedar Lake wild, maintaining Lake of the Isles, with pockets of gathering spaces at both lakes. Both concepts propose making the skating warming house permanent. Looking at rerouting traffic at both lakes, either temporarily or permanently. Discussed possibility of formalizing trails for walking around Cedar Lake. Can take online survey, attend open houses, and give input through March. Online survey link: www.surveymonkey.com/r/cedar-isles-inital-concepts. Emma Pachuta, 612-499-3711 epachuta@minneapolisparks.org

Crime Prevention Specialist – William Magnuson, MPD

No Part I crimes reported for January 1, 2022 - January 12, 2022. Part I crimes involve victims. First Crime and Safety meeting was held in January. Next one is February 2. 6:30 virtual for now. Link from Communication Coordinator. Block Club Leader training January 22. Home Security workshop and personal safety workshops can be offered. Sign up https://www.bmna.org/safety/

Update on Arrests and Charges at Bryn Mawr Market Robbery - Lolita Ulloa, Hennepin County Deputy County Attorney/Tom Arneson, Hennepin County Juvenile Division Managing Attorney. Tom reported that 4 juveniles, ages 14,15, 16, 17, were arrested and charged in the Bryn Mawr Market robbery. They remain in custody. Age impacts what can be said about the cases; information about suspects younger than 16 is private. The cases against the 16/17year-olds are public. The 16/17-yearolds have been charged with aggravated robbery in the first degree, and second-degree assault with a firearm resulting in substantial bodily harm; both are serious charges. Filed motions to have 16/17-year-olds prosecuted as adults. Tom addressed questions from neighbors. Can only discuss facts of the case that are public. Talked about what constitutes charge of attempted murder. There was video of the incident; has been reviewed. Will continue to look at the possibility for higher charges if warranted. Have victim support services to work with the Market owners, employees, and victims. Victims do get access to the progress of the case and are kept informed. Shared stats on cases coming into the office. Have charged 85% of cases that have come from law enforcement; considered a high rate. Have a robust diversion program in juvenile system for lowlevel misdemeanors and property crimes to keep juveniles out of jail and prevent further crimes, good success rates. Do not use the diversion program for violent crimes. Lolita articulated the processes the office uses to support victims. Addressed misinformation about car jacking suspect arrests and releases; addressed repeat offenders. lolita.ulloa@hen-

nepin.us 612-348-5355

Treasurer – Roberta Jordan

Presented year-end Profit and Loss for 2021. Posted on the website. Reminded Board members that we received both 2020 and 2021 CPP dollars in 2021, so the profit looks greater than it actually is. Jessica moved to approve the 2022 budget. Second by Jay. Motion approved. City is giving us an additional \$5000 for 2022. https://www.bmna.org/association/bmna-finance-policy/

Communications & Fundraising Report - Lynda Shaheen

See email report. Communication avenues continue to grow. Instagram, Twitter, and email lists have increased. Starting membership campaign for 2022. Letter out late January. Can ask city for support for lighting. Up on memberships for the year and item sales.

Event Report - McKenzie Erickson

Noted that many young families were at Saturnalia. Thanks to Board members who turned out. Honing in on what events attract specific audiences. Winter Fest coming in late February. Will pivot if needed due to covid. A big thanks to the generosity of The Percolator's over the years. Seeking additional band referrals.

Bugle - JoEllyn Jolstad

The deadline for articles/ads is the 20th, as usual. February is always jam packed due to not having January issue. Discussed ways to reduce Bugle delivery expenses. Northfield printer had a driver on staff; picked up inserts and delivered the paper to the neighborhood. New site delivers by courier; we get a special rate but it's expensive.

Webmaster – Jeremy Staffeld.

Safety being a big issue; link on homepage to go directly to safety page. Updated disc space. Unlimited space. Can upload photos to our galleries. Links and resources pages have been updated.

Committee Reports (as needed)

Community Projects - Jessica Wiley Due to budget issues, will not be soliciting new projects for 2022. Will review in future.

Finance/Membership – Jessica Wiley

Deb Anderson has resigned as cotreasurer. We thank her for all the work she did on the finances and creating documents that articulate financial processes.

Racial Justice - Kate Knuth/McKenzie Erickson/Liv Nielson

Thanks to Board for attending the training in December.

Traffic Safety- Chris Etz/Rod Miller Rod moved a letter be sent to the city about concerns we have with the traffic calming process being proposed. Second. Have concerns about time commitment, ability of association to evaluate proposals, and burden this puts on the neighborhood to mediate with neighbors. Motion carried. Citizan can give individual feedback at the Department of Public Works website.

Schools – Colleen Dhennin. Schools moving to online learning until January 31.

Other Standing Reports (as needed)

ROC/Basset Creek Valley Update - Vida Ditter

Meeting January 18 on Zoom. All are welcome. Will be talking about the encampments. Also talking about variance for Curry/Humboldt coffee roasting shop on Glenwood.

SWLRT Update. Barry Schade Watch for the closure of Cedar Lake Parkway during tunneling. Closed for a long time.

Discussion Items, New Business, Updates and Announcements

- Wirth on the Woods. Attempts to remove a large boulder resulted in vibrations. Delivery of glass and steel a problem, delaying progress.
- Colleen attended a training for a community outreach program for zero waste initiative. There are considerable dollars available but timelines for applying present a problem. Lynda will look at the expectations; Colleen will stay aware in case we can participate in the future.

Adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: Wednesday, February 9, 2022

Upcoming Events: Winter Fest February/March 2022

Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church Welcomes You!

Adult Ed @ 9:15 a.m.

September-May at BMPC or on Zoom

Worship @ 10:30 a.m.

Both in person and via Zoom For in person please wear a mask Request Zoom Link from info@brynmawrchurch.org

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Bryn Mawr Recycling Schedule

	Monday	Tuesday
Area 1	February 7	
	February 21	
Areas	February 14	
4W, 5W, 6, 7	February 28	
Areas		February 1
2, 3, 4E, 5E		February 15

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From the Editor

appy new year, Bryn Mawr. I hope your holidays were safe and joyful and that you are surviving this latest cold snap. It was typically moderate Minnesota December weather that greeted those who ventured out for Saturnalia. The fresh snow made everything feel festive. It was a lively event. It did not rival the mobs of people from years gone by. But not everyone loves a crowd. I was appreciative of the care that went into planning it and the choices made to help everyone feel welcome and safe.

Families with young children bundled up to roast marshmallows over an open fire and ride in a horsedrawn open air wagon. Santa did not make his customary appearance. I feel sad for the little ones who missed out again this year (and the moms who do not get that cherished photo.)

The after-event gathering at Cuppa Java which for many adults is a highlight of this event, was scrapped for obvious reasons. When I think back on how we would all jam in and share chairs (not exactly six feet of distancing!) it makes me both nostalgic and terrified.

It was clear that fewer people felt comfortable going inside our treasured businesses due to the rise in infection rates at the time. This pandemic has everyone struggling to balance concern for safety and a yearning for a simpler time.

When students and staff returned to school buildings after winter break, there was intense anxiety over the inevitable spread of Covid. The daily notifications of illness and staff shortages had everyone wishing we could all just go home. Now after two weeks of Online Learning, I for one cannot wait to go back to in-person.

Schools have been through a lot these past two years. The Minneapolis Public Schools' CDD (Comprehensive District Design) re-drew attendance boundaries and moved citywide magnet programs to more central locations. The Dual Immersion program was moved out of Anwatin and into Andersen, where it appears to be thriving. Community School pathways are more clearly outlined and Bryn Mawr students once again go to North High School.

So many of the proposed changes were met with outrage and predictions of a mass exodus that would shutter schools. But that is not the reality. Schools are fuller than ever, families are embracing their new school options.

Next up in the Safety v Normal arena is Winter Fest at Utepils. I suspect this too will be an opportunity for enjoying what we have now rather than pining for the past.

- JoEllyn Jolstad, bugle@bmna.org

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http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us

New Community Crime Prevention Specialist

We welcome Shannon McDonough as our new Community Crime Prevention Specialist. In an effort to divide up workloads more evenly between Crime Prevention Specialists, Inspector Adams has assigned Crime Prevention Specialist Shannon McDonough to take over the Bryn Mawr Neighborhood. Shannon's email is, Shannon.McDonough@minneapolismn.gov Any crime related concerns related to Bryn Mawr should be addressed to him moving forward. We thank Bill Magnuson for his help over the past years.

SW Light Rail

The long-term closure of Cedar Lake Parkway to automobile traffic between Burnham Road and Xerxes Avenue is currently anticipated to begin as early as the week of February 7, 2022. This closure is needed to construct the Kenilworth LRT Tunnel that will extend under Cedar Lake Parkway. Detours will be posted to route traffic around the closure. Nonmotorized access will be maintained in proximity to the construction area for the duration of the closure.

COVID-19

You can now request free at-home COVID-19 test kits from the federal government at covidtests.gov or by calling 1.800.232.0233. Every home in the U.S. is eligible to order four free at-home COVID-19 tests. The tests are free. Orders will usually ship in seven to 12 days. The tests are rapid antigen at-home tests, not PCR tests. They can be taken anywhere. They will give results within 30 minutes; no lab drop-off is required.

Rent Assistance

COVID 19 Emergency Rental Assistance is available to Minnesotans struggling to pay their rent and utility bills because of the pandemic. If you are eligible, you could receive up to 15 months total assistance, paid three months at a time for:

- Rent payments
- Utility payments (electric, water/sewer, garbage/recycling and other utilities as approved by RentHelpMN)

Apply today at renthelpmn.org Or if you have questions, call 211.A RentHelpMN representative will be happy to guide you through the process. The eviction moratorium will end June 1, 2022.

Low cost Internet

Comcast Internet Essentials offers low-cost, high-speed home Internet for \$9.95 per month + tax. Qualifying households can get it for \$0/month (FREE) with the Affordable Connectivity Program. Households may qualify if they're eligible for public assistance programs such as the Federal Pell Grant, National School Lunch Program, SNAP, Medicaid and Housing Assistance. The program offers fast, reliable connection - up to 50 Mbps with nationwide 5G included at no extra cost. You can choose from the latest phones or bring your own. Apply at InternetEssentials.com or call 1-855-846-8376

Street lighting

If you have a street light that's not working or a spot where you feel a light is needed, you can request one from the city. Traffic & Parking Services will decide if a new light is needed based on these factors: curve in road, lights too far apart, low hanging

Free Home Weatherization Workshops for Hennepin County Residents

ethos, a regional nonprofit that advocates for the reuse and repair of old buildings, will be offering six free home weatherization and energy efficiency workshops to residents of Hennepin County in 2022.

Workshops will teach homeowners, renters, and caretakers of old buildings how to maximize energy efficiency in their residences, saving money and prolonging the life of their homes. Some workshops will include a free home weatherization kit that attendees can take home and apply themselves.

Workshops are in the process of being finalized and many have not yet been posted on Rethos' website, but you can check Rethos' Education webpage

(www.rethos.org/classes) for upcoming workshops and registration. The following workshops will be offered:

Why Old is Green: Sustainability in Older Homes - Webinar. March 16, 5:30pm - 7:00pm Old Window Weatherization: Maximizing Energy Efficiency (title may change) - Webinar, April 14, Time TBD (evening) **Old Home Weatherization: Low-Cost** Upgrades – Webinar, May 3, Time TBD (evening) **Old Window Weatherization: Restoring** Old Windows (title may change) – Hayes Window Restoration (Outdoors),

May 24, Time TBD (evening) Seasonal Home Maintenance Tips -Webinar,

July 19, Time TBD (evening) **Old Home Weatherization: Big-Picture** Planning - Webinar, Date TBD (August), Time TBD (evening)

For more information, please contact: Kelly Fischer, Outreach & Education Coordinator, kelly@rethos.org, 651-293-9047

trees, or no light. Once approved you will be contacted with a case number and expected completion date. The request must be approved by a traffic engineer, City Council, and affected neighbors. The location must also meet the requirements of City Ordinance. If you notice a problem with a street light on a wooden pole, report it to Xcel Energy or call 1-800-960-6235. More information and application can be found here https://www.minneapolismn.gov/rep ort-an-issue/street-light-issue/

Reduce salt usage

Just one tablespoon of salt permanently pollutes five gallons of water, so make every granule count! Remember to scatter and use salt only where it's critical. When you apply salt to pavement aim for 3 inches of space between salt granules. Winter road and sidewalk deicing salt is a major - and permanent - polluter of local freshwater lakes and streams. Seventy-eight percent of salt applied in the metro area ends up in groundwater or local lakes and rivers. If de-icer is needed, people should use as little as possible. It's easy to use too much, but more salt does not mean more melting. Removing snow and ice early and often is the best approach. Shoveling instead of using chemicals will protect our

Any residents and businesses can take a pledge on the City of Minneapolis website to salt wisely. A 30minute course with self-guided readings and videos will teach anyone about the consequences of using too much salt and about how to protect beloved Minnesota waters from this permanent pollution.

What Mask Should I Wear?

Along with getting vaccinated and boosted, experts recommend upgrading your mask if you want optimal protection.

No Protection

Some Protection

Most Protection



No Mask or **Improper Use**

- Mask should fit over your nose and mouth and be snug against your face with no gaps
- · Don't use masks that are damp, dirty or damaged
- · Don't wear masks with exhalation valves, which allow virus particles to escape

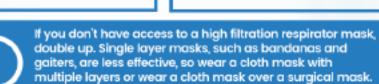


Cloth Masks

- Washable and reusable. Masks should be washed at least once a day or as soon as they become dirty
- Multiple layers of woven, breathable fabric

Surgical Masks

- Disposable, intended for one time use
- Multiple layers of nonwoven material
- Provides protection against large droplets



Be sure your mask fits properly—nose wires improve fit.

High Filtration Masks

- (Respirators N95, KN95, KF94)
- Varies by mask type, but reusable up to 5 times with proper care
- Filters up to 95% of particles in the air
- Seals tightly to the face when fitted properly (some facial hair can interfere with this seal)
- Designed and regulated to meet international standards. Check lists of trusted manufacturers from CDC and Project N95 to avoid counterfeit



Block Clubs

ould you like to help connect your block? Forming a block club through the Minneapolis Police Department can be one way to strengthen communication among a block. Neighborhoods and block clubs work with their Crime Prevention Specialists (CPS) to prevent and reduce crime. If you choose to form a block club, your Crime Prevention Specialist will provide you with training to help you organize your block, run meetings, keep the block active, and crime prevention strategies. Neighbors, usually on one block, work together to be aware of suspicious activity, watch out for each other, call 911 when they see suspicious activity or crimes in progress, work together to solve problems and deal with issues. You will also receive crime alert communications from your crime prevention specialist. Block clubs are encouraged to have at least one social event a year like National Night out. Other blocks in Bryn Mawr have formed phone lists, email lists or google groups to keep in touch not just about crime but social events and other block news. No matter which way you choose to unite your block, increased communication is the goal!

Contact your CPS, Bill Magnuson, 612.673.5778, william. magnuson@minneapolismn.gov, to find out if your block is organized and if not, to step up and be a block leader.



Saturnalia 2021

Saturnalia was a Success

h what fun it was to have several businesses open late and so many little kids heading home with bird (or more likely squirrel) feeder garlands! Saturnalia was a true example of our neighborhood coming together to make the most of one of the shortest days of the year. Thank you to Cuppa Java for donating hot cocoa for sipping and the Bryn Mawr Market for donating marshmallows for roasting. Cheers to The Smiling Drum Studio Women's Ensemble that kept spirits high and The Hitching Company for the many horse drawn wagon rides. Much thanks to the Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church that opened its doors for warming and the nearby neighbors for accommodating the street closure.







Bryn Mawr Neighborhood Association Calendar - February 2021

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
ounuay	onau	1	Community Safety 2 Meeting 6:30-7:30pm. Visit bmna.org/safety for meeting location		4	5
6	7	8	BMNA Monthly Meeting 6:30pm on Google Meet. Email coordinator@bmna.org for joining information.	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Submissions due for March Bugle. Drop in the Bugle Box at Bryn Mawr Market or email bugle@bmna.org	Presidents' Day 21 Holiday	22	23	24	Winter Fest 25 6-10pm at Utepils Brewing	26
27	28	The BMNA hosts monthly Community Safety meetings with Community Crime Prevention Specialist Shannon McDonough on the first Wednesday of the month from 6:30 - 7:30 pm. All community members are welcome to join. See www.bmna.org/safety for information on meeting location, online or in person.				

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Hennepin County Attorney's Office Addresses Juvenile Crime

Deputy Attorney, and Tom Arneson, Managing Attorney for the Juvenile Prosecution Division, were invited to the BMNA January 2022 Board meeting to update the Board and guests on the arrest of the suspects who robbed the Bryn Mawr Market on December 29, 2021, to talk about the role of the Hennepin County Juvenile Prosecution Division in charging suspects, and to answer questions about juvenile crime in general.

Q. What is the most current information on arrests for the robbery and shooting at the Bryn Mawr Market?

Arneson reported that due to great police investigative work, four suspects were quickly arrested for the December robbery at the Market. The suspects are all juveniles, ages 14, 15, 16, and 17. All four have been charged and they remain in custody. The 16- and 17-year-olds have been charged with aggravated robbery in the first degree, and second-degree assault with a firearm resulting in substantial bodily harm. According to Arneson, those are both considered serious felonies. For an adult, they would include presumptive prison time under Minnesota guidelines.

The Hennepin County Attorney's office has filed motions to have the 16- and 17-year-olds in this case prosecuted as adults. The threshold in Minnesota is high for certifying juveniles as adults, but for serious cases like this, the division seeks prosecution as an adult. There will be public hearings on this certification; ultimately a judge will make this decision. This process could take several months. The judge could exclude the public from portions of the hearings if there is private information that needs to be protected.

The age of a suspect impacts what can be said about the status of their case. Most cases in the juvenile system are not public. Arneson was unable to discuss the specific cases of the 14- and 15-year-olds who were arrested. Under Minnesota law, if a 16- or 17-year-old commits a felony, their case is public, but information about the 14- and 15-year-olds is not public.

The charging document is public. The document states that three of the juveniles passed around a gun during the commission of the offense. An employee was shot in the foot and in the abdomen by the 15-year-old suspect.

All four individuals are being held in custody. Arneson's office seeks to have them remain in detention. That ultimately will be a decision for the judge. There is no bail for juveniles; bail only applies to adult cases.

Given privacy laws about juveniles, the public is not privy to confidential information about the cases, but the victims do get access to the progress of the case and are kept informed by law enforcement and the County Attorney's office. The department has 50 advocates working with victim services. Victims do get all information about the case, and they can participate in the court hearings.

Q. Why wasn't the charge attempted murder?

Arenson discussed how the department looks at what charges can be proved in court. Attempted murder requires proof that the person was trying to and attempting to kill the person, not that their actions could have killed the person. The police arrested the 16- and 17-year-old suspects for aggravated robbery in the first degree and second-degree assault with a firearm. Video at the Market captured what happened. The videos have been reviewed by both the MPD investigators and the Attorney General's office. The Attorney's office continues to look at the evidence and will consider the charges with the possibility for higher charges if warranted under the law. They do consider the injuries to the victim and monitor the impact of

Q. Why wasn't the 15-year-old charged as an adult?

Although Arneson could not talk about this specific case due to juvenile privacy issues, he stated that in general, the law does allow a juvenile between the ages of 14 and 17 to be certified as an adult, The standards for prosecution as an adult are different for 14 - 15-year-olds than for 16-17-year-olds. Again, the threshold is very high and needs to be approved by a judge. Arneson stated that the department will, in appropriate cases, seek certification as an adult for someone under 16 for committing violent offenses.

Q. Have the suspects been arrested and released prior to this incident?

Juvenile records are private. Information about the 14- and 15-year-old are confidential. In terms of history that is public, neither the 16- or 17-year-old have been arrested, charged with a felony, or referred to the department since they've been 16 and 17. Arneson warned against making assumptions one way or the other about this information; this does not implicate or exonerate the suspects.

Q. Is the County Attorney's office charging carjacking cases coming into the office?

Arenson stated that in the past year, the County Attorney's office has charged 85% of cases that have come to them from law enforcement. According to Arneson, in the prosecution world this is a high percentage of cases being charged. The department always must meet the standard of being able to prove the case in court.

Q. What's the Juvenile Prosecution System Diversion Program?

There is a robust diversion program in the juvenile division to keep juveniles out of the court system and to get them the help they need to prevent them from committing further crimes. Arenson emphasized that the diversion program is for those committing lower-level misdemeanors and property crimes. They do not use the diversion program for violent crimes. Diversion programming might include restorative justice, education, and work with families and parents.

Ulloa related that the criminal justice system recognizes that the cognitive development for juveniles differs from adults and there is a need to treat juveniles differently than adults. She also stressed that violent crimes committed by juveniles are addressed differently than lower-level crimes.

Arneson reported that the division has good success rates for the diversion program. 80% of youth who completed a diversion program in 2019-2020 had no re-offending the following year. The department offers the opportunity for juvenile offenders to participate in programming. If they complete the program their case will not be filed in court.Arneson stated that even private juvenile court records can have a very negative impact for an individual's future. "We want to give youth a chance to get on the right path."Arneson described how a juvenile's history plays a part in whether an individual is moved into a diversion program. The level of crime and the amount of time between offenses plays a part. There are repeat offenders in the juvenile system, and they are a focus for the both the police and the juvenile prosecution division.

Q. What's happening with car jackings?

With the increase in auto thefts and car jackings, the County Attorney's office has introduced a new program for a collaboration of law enforcement, the faith community, commissioners, and leaders within different areas to look at crimes and the reasons for crime, to examine the unique participation of juveniles, and apply focused advocacy for victims.

Arneson and Ulloa have been participating in numerous community and law enforcement forums and emphasized how important it is to relay accurate information and to correct inaccurate information. They work to counter exaggerated statistics about repeat offenders and events.

Both Arneson and Ulloa acknowledged how horrific recent crime has been for our community and for the victims of these crimes. Their office helps coordinate services for anyone who has been a victim of a crime. They encouraged neighbors to reach out to the office with questions, feedback, and support.

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Lolita Ulloa has been in practice for 35 years. She has worked for the Hennepin County Attorney's office for 30 years and is currently Criminal Deputy for the County Attorney. Ulloa oversees victim services in the department. Tom Arneson lives in the Northrup neighborhood in Minneapolis. He has been in the Juvenile Prosecution Division for 11 years, and with the County Attorney's office for 30 years.





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The Loppet Foundation

Hello from the Executive Director

Hi Neighbors! My name is Claire Wilson and I am the new(ish) Executive Director at the Loppet Foundation. The Loppet Foundation operates the Trailhead within Theodore With Park and also grooms and maintains the cross country skiing trails in Theodore Wirth, across the chain of lakes, and within Colombia and Hiawatha. The Foundation is a 501c(3) nonprofit committed to creating a shared passion for outdoor activity - particularly among underserved populations. We partner with the Minneapolis Park Board in a unique public/private venture to assure that Theodore Wirth is accessible, inclusive and welcoming to all.

This year we are making a few investments in improving the experience of winter for all users of the park. This includes expanding snowmaking capacity in the lower stadium area next to the Trailhead - this will allow us to have plenty of space for beginners and instructional skiing when we do not have the gift of natural snow. When we do have the gift of natural snow - we will be reversing the course of the trails bordering the Eloise Butler Wildflower Garden. This reversal back to the original way the course was charted -

will allow us to open back up more hiking and multi-use trails for folks who enjoy hiking and snowshoeing on the south side of the park. We are also grooming a walking path next to the skiing path on all the lakes (Brownie, Cedar, Isles and Bde Mda Ska).

We will also improve signage on the southside of Wirth Lake so that walking paths are clearly marked. It has been a challenge in the pandemic years to meet the demand of the high utilization of the park while maintaining quiet zones in the park. We continue to be committed to working with neighbors and outdoor enthusiasts alike to better the experience for all who want to enjoy the gem that is Theodore Wirth Park.

We will also be working with the community to start work on a pedestrian bridge that will span the Parkway and connect the Eloise Butler Wildflower Garden with the Bog. This will allow skiers in the winter to cross the road without removing their skis - and pedestrians in the summer months to have an enhanced experience of both natural areas. Mountain biking will continue to be prohibited in the areas bordering the garden.

The core of our mission and work of course is a commitment to youth in North Minneapolis. Our Minne-Loppet program which serves elementary school aged students is now active in over 10 Northside elementary schools and this year has been expanded to include both nordic skiing and mountain biking.

Our year round middle school program - the Junior Loppet - uses outdoor activities like cross

country skiing, mountain biking and trail running to empower 75-100 underserved youth annually from Minneapolis'

Northeast, Anwatin and Franklin middle schools, as well as any northside youth that want to participate but don't attend the three partner schools. The program is free for students and schools. We provide trained coaches, quality equipment and clothing, transportation and food to remove income-based barriers to participation at an age where youth are at a high risk of stopping physical activity. We also run a high school mentorship program and this year are supporting a North High School nordic team. This year we are celebrating the 20th year of the City of Lakes Loppet Winter Festival - we hope you will join us for one of the skiing, snowshoeing, or skijoring events - and we definitely hope we will see you on the Lake of the Isles for the most magical night of the year - the Luminary Loppet.

Finally - we were so excited to be able to open The Trailhead to the public last June along with Mill Valley Market, the healthy and delicious restaurant located inside. Please come down and join us for hot drinks, skiing, tubing, snowboarding, or just a delicious meal. I am so excited to be in community with you all and look forward to hearing your ideas, hopes and dreams for Theodore Wirth Park. Please don't hesitate to reach out at any time with any questions - I can be reached at claire@loppet.org.To learn more about the Loppet Foundation and our mission and activities - please visit www.loppet.org.

LIVING LAKES - CONCEPT A

Share your thoughts on the proposed changes to **Cedar Lake**

ast month the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board (MPRB) shared a draft of the vision, guiding principles and initial park concepts for the Cedar Lake-Lake of the Isles Master Plan. Some of these proposals include altering the flow of cars around the lake and creating a walking path the whole way around the lake. MPRB's design process will continue through summer 2022.

Use the link below or follow the QR Code to view the concepts and share your thoughts via an online survey. Please keep in mind these are preliminary concepts and elements of each concept may or may not be included in the final design.

www.minneapolisparks.org/wpcontent/uploads/2021/12/2021 -12-12 Cedar-Isles Initial-Park-Concepts_final.pdf



Description:

The "Living Lakes" concept prioritizes climate change mitigation, wildlife habitat and increased program opportunities at key areas within each park. Restoration of pre-colonial landscape communities honors a layered history and minimal trail improvements around Cedar Lake maintains "secluded" character.

Key Attributes:

Cedar Lake

- Infill rewilding and savanna restoration
- Maximum natural water quality improvements
- · Enhanced amenities at two activity hubs Add ice rink south of East Cedar Beach
- · Increase mobility from future light rail stop, Kenilworth Trail, and Cedar Lake trail with new or formalized trail connections
- Reconfigure portions of Cedar Lake Parkway and consider one-way traffic to increase safety and space for trails
- · Increase signage for inclusive welcome

- Expansive rewilding (greatly reducing turf) Maximum natural water quality improvements
- · Enhanced amenities at seven locations

Lake of the Isles

- Add ice skating loop
- · Add boardwalk in lieu of paved path in select areas
- Improve safety at intersections with traffic calming design
- Increase mobility from the light rail stop, Midtown Greenway and the Kenilworth Trail with new trail connections
- · Reconfigure portions of Lake of the Isles Parkway to limit or remove vehicular access for additional programmatic space
- Increase signage and pedestrian safety at all gathering areas for inclusive welcome

UNIQUE LAKE EXPERIENCES - CONCEPT B

Description:

DESIGNATION AND LIKE BY THE STATE MARKET PLAN

The "Distinct Lakes" concept emphasizes the existing character of each lake while broadening access to the park with new welcome points, improved multi-modal connectivity, and activity hubs. Greater preservation of turf areas on Lake of the Isles upholds the pastoral design legacy of the park.

Key Attributes:

Cedar Lake

- Infill rewilding (restore oak savanna, reduce turf)
- Select natural water quality improvements and some in-lake water quality improvements
- · Enhanced amenities at one location
- Add new year-round structure (restroom + pavilion)
- Increase mobility with new connections around Cedar Lake and between Cedar Lake and Lake of the Isles
- Temporary closures along sections of Cedar Lake Parkway to provide additional programmatic space
- Increase signage at hub and distributed gateways for an inclusive welcome

CEDAR LAKE AND LAKE OF THE ISLES MASTER PLAN

Lake of the Isles

- Select areas for ecological restoration (prairie planting)
- In-lake water improvements with select natural water quality improvements (shoreline enhancements)
- Enhanced amenities at one location
- Relocate ice rink, new skating loop and new year-round building/warming house
- Reconfigure the existing bike trail on Isles to accommodate two-way traffic and increase mobility
- Temporary closures along sections of Lake of the Isles Parkway to provide additional programmatic space
- Increase signage at hub and distributed gateways for an inclusive welcome

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Bugle Notes



The Chick Flicks
Celebrate Their
Twentieth
Anniversary

Anniversary

n the summer of 2001, Area 2 residents, Doris Peterson and Linda -Willette, were walking their dogs when the conversation turned to films. Both lamented that they rarely saw movies but the two decided at that moment to do something about it .They called nine other women who resided nearby to join them to see the film Moulin Rouge starring Nicole Kidman. The attendees were also invited to Doris's home following the film for a film discussion, dessert, and wine. Thus began the group that facetiously calls itself The Chick Flicks.

The 15 women who now comprise The Chick Flicks celebrate their 20th anniversary on June 29th with a celebratory dinner. The group has watched more than 200 movies over

its 20 year history. From January through October, the group gathers the last Tuesday of each month to see a film. Two people volunteer to act as cohosts each month, choose the film and theater, send out an email inviting each member to attend, arrange car pooling, and offer dessert and wine at the home of one of the cohosts following the movie. The group holds a holiday gathering in early December at which time spouses are also invited.

The only time the group has not met was during March and April of 2020 due to the COVID shutdown. The group resumed in May, 2020, adapting a different format. Films were watched individually on a streaming platform, such as Netflix, then members gathered in someone's backyard to discuss the films. When the weather turned cold, they met via ZOOM. For the first time in 15 months, the fully vaccinated members joyfully gathered in May 2021, face to face in the home of a host to discuss the May films.

- Sharon Miller, Area 2



Eight Bryn Mawr Moms on the Search for Good Books & Food

Let's Pretend This Never Happened (A Mostly True Memoir) by Jenny Lawson -The Bloggess

ger (Theblogger.com). This is her first memoir, written in 2012. Unlike an autobiography, and true to memoir style, it's more about the intimate themes of her life and her ideas about getting through life than the story of her life, if you get what we mean. (And in true Lawson style, maybe the editor of the Bugle will want us to define that more, but we really don't want to.)

Lawson is very bright and funny, but high on the spectrum of social awkwardness. Her extreme anxiety and depression shape her days; her wacky, absurd humor helps her get through it all. Lawson's mental health is at issue much of the time and there is something to be said for the downright boldness and courage of just putting it out there. And to paraphrase her, f- you if you don't like it.

I can finally see that all the terrible parts of my life, the embarrassing parts, the incidents I wanted to pretend never happened, and the things that make me "weird" and "different," were actually the most important parts of my life. They were the parts that made me ME.

The idea that we are all affected by our worst moments and memories is a universal truth, it's just that people process and respond to these in different ways, some more healthy than others. We're not sure how healthy it is to collect taxidermied critters in costumes, but there's a quirky bar in Hayward, Wisconsin, where she would fit right in (Google Moccasin Bar)

Lawson's ability to set up visual scenes is masterful, and she captures the absurdity of the human condition, as in this exchange with her sister, who's wearing a school mascot bird costume. Her sister, Lisa, wishes Lawson could behave in way that didn't alienate her from their high school friends.

THIS IS EXACTLY WHAT I'M TALK-ING ABOUT," Lisa yelled, pausing ber bird routine to cross ber wings in frustration. "You shouldn't even know how to do voodoo curses. It's bizarre. WOULD IT KILL YOU TO JUST BE NORMAL?"

"Ob, I'm sorry... Could you repeat that last part?" I asked. "I can't hear you through YOUR GIANT F***ING BIRD HEAD."

Lawson writes, "it's exhausting being me", and we were exhausted several times reading the book. She over-used certain conventions in her writing, passages that read more like postings and comments on social media. Her humor at times seemed forced, being over the top for the sake of shock. Her madcap storytelling was all over the place, but understandable being that this book was pieced together from her wildly popular blog.

This was an unconventional telling of an eccentric life, with some wonderful insights into relationships with husbands, girlfriends, motherhood, miscarriages, and mental health; scattered, with laugh-out-loud and annoying moments.

And to close with a great Lawson quote, "But really, what else are you going to talk about in line at the liquor store? Childbood trauma seems like the natural choice, since it's the reason why most of us are in line there to begin with."

What the Moms are reading now... *A Children's Bible* by Lydia Millet



February 8, 2018

Snowy Owl in the trees between the Century Link Building and Anwatin School. Uncommonly seen here except when very deep snow in boreal forests allows their usual food sources to hide.

February 12, 2021

High -3°. Seven over-wintering robins and 4 crows drinking from a spring in Bassett's Creek Park.

February 15, 2021

A massive polar vortex sends arctic air to the Gulf of Mexico. Lows -10° in Kansas City, 4° in Dallas, 13° in Houston, with frozen water pipes everywhere, millions without electricity, 30 deaths. Such events have become more frequent, thought to be related to disruption of the usual west-to-east circumpolar jet stream, no longer kept in place by polar ice. This allows very cold air to swirl south, seemingly in an alternating pattern between North America and Eurasia

February 16, 2022

Full moon, the Dakota Wicata Wi or raccoon moon. Raccoons begin to leave their winter dens in search of food on warmer nights in February.





Life hasn't exactly been cheery now that the holidays are over what with the cold and the crime and Covid....When I glanced up from my cozy spot Sunday afternoon, I thought it was

someone walking their dogger in a snowmobile suit. Wait...with somekinda giant helmet??!! Then I saw the whites of Cookie Monster's eyes! I've been smiling ever since! Whoever this Bryn Mawr neighbor is, thank you for the joy.

- Laura, Area 6

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Bryn Mawr Location References Available

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Under 12:

Sun-Thurs 9 pm, Fri-Sat 10 pm.

Ages 12-14:

Sun-Thurs 10 pm, Fri-Sat 11 pm,

Age 15-17:

Sun-Thurs 11 pm, Fri-Sat 12 midnight



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Youth & Schools

It's School Request/ Enrollment Season!

he school request deadline is February 7th for those going into Kindergarten, Middle School or High School. Our neighborhood schools are Bryn Mawr Elementary, Anwatin Middle and North High. You can get more information about each school at their websites or by calling the schools. You must list your community school as one of your two listed schools to be guaranteed a spot for next year.

BRYN MAWR COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Prospective families can checkout the "future bulldog" webpage (www.brynmawrpta.org/future-bulldog/) designed just for them by current Bulldog families. Bulldog Ambassadors (current Bulldog parents) are ready to connect, share their school experience, and answer your questions. Contact:

info@brynmawrpta.org

ANWATIN MIDDLE SCHOOL

You can watch videos about Anwatin to learn more about the school at https://anwatin.mpls.k12.mn.us

NORTH HIGH

Curious about our new neighborhood high school, North High? Our son is a freshman there this year and loves it. The class sizes are small, the teachers are very supportive, and the principal has a strong, positive presence. If you are interested in learning more, please feel free to contact us: Sue and John Stillman, sjstillman14@gmail.com

FEBRUARY - MARCH 2022

<u>February 7:</u> Due-date for inclusion in the first school request lottery <u>Mid-February</u>: First request lottery

<u>Late February/Early March</u>: Schools have access to lists of newly placed students

First week of March: Placement notification letters will be emailed and mailed. Parents can complete online registration for their new school

APRIL 2022

<u>April 1:</u> Kindergarten Early Admission deadline

<u>April 4:</u> Due-date for inclusion in the second school request lottery

Make an Impact Invest in Your Neighborhood School

Volunteers are always needed whether it's to be a weekly reading tutor or to help at one event. Get connected here https://www.bmna.org/volunteer-

opportunities-bryn-mawr/

Purchase a book for Bryn Mawr school's Black History Month Book Drive. (612) 668-2500

Bryn Mawr students need coats. Contact Ms. Mia (612) 668-2500 alreda.riddley@mpls.k12.mn.us,.

Contact Information For Community Schools

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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 anwatin Minneapolis k12 mp us

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Thank you!

THANK YOU to the Bryn Mawr Community School PTA, the Bryn Mawr Neighborhood Association (BMNA), and our Bryn Mawr neighbors for partnering with our school media center to sponsor a book drive that added over 20 books written by Native American authors. We really appreciate the community's investment and are excited for students to start checking out these new books!

Thank you Bryn Mawr families and community for your continued support!

- Desiree and Heather at the Bryn Mawr Community School Library

Dakota Language Immersion Preschool Camps

"Tókhed yaún he (How are you?)," asks Dakota teacher Nichole Subola to a group of grown-ups standing around a fire. "Taŋyáŋ waúŋ ye (I am well)," responds teacher Justis Brokenrope. On this chilly winter morning, pairs of adult learners try their best to practice introductory Dakota Language as they gather behind Bryn Mawr Elementary. Beyond the fire, preschoolers can be seen sledding down the Hill of Awesomeness. Other preschoolers have spray bottles of various colors and are painting the snow. "Ša (red)," points out teacher Brenda Toscano, and then points out "Zí (yellow)." As children continue to play in the snow, the colors mix and orange emerges. "Šazí (orange)!" teacher Jordan Iwan explains, embracing another chance to learn language for colors.

Soon, everyone gathers near the fire for an opening prayer and welcome. During this three day winter camp, preschoolers explore the forest, play and learn, all while being immersed in Dakota language.

Simultaneously, grown-ups gather to learn basic Dakota language skills not only for themselves, but also to extend children's learning at home. Elder Wanblí Mayášleča shares a story around the fire one morning, weaving in and out of D/Lakota and English.

This camp is the second of three Dakota language immersion preschool camps developed as a result of collaboration between the Minneapolis Nature Preschool and Dakhóta iápi OkhódakiČhiye (DIO). The camps are supported by a grant from the Minnesota Indian Affairs Council, with the goal of providing a platform for launching a Dakota language nest for children in the future. U of M Dakota Language professor Šišóka Dúta shared this idea with the Minneapolis Nature Preschool more than a year ago.



The vision is to create a space where Elders who are native speakers of Dakota language can support teachers. The teachers would then support early learners through language immersion, creating intergenerational learning opportunities.

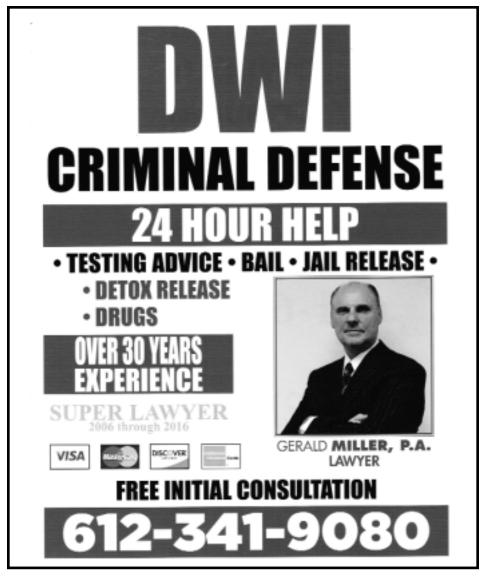
In addition, the camps hope to expose children to cultural traditions and history through play. During autumn camp, DIO provided traditional lacrosse sticks along with an explanation of how the game was traditionally a tool for conflict resolution. Children and adults all had a

chance to try out tossing a lacrosse ball in the fields behind Bryn Mawr/ Anwatin.

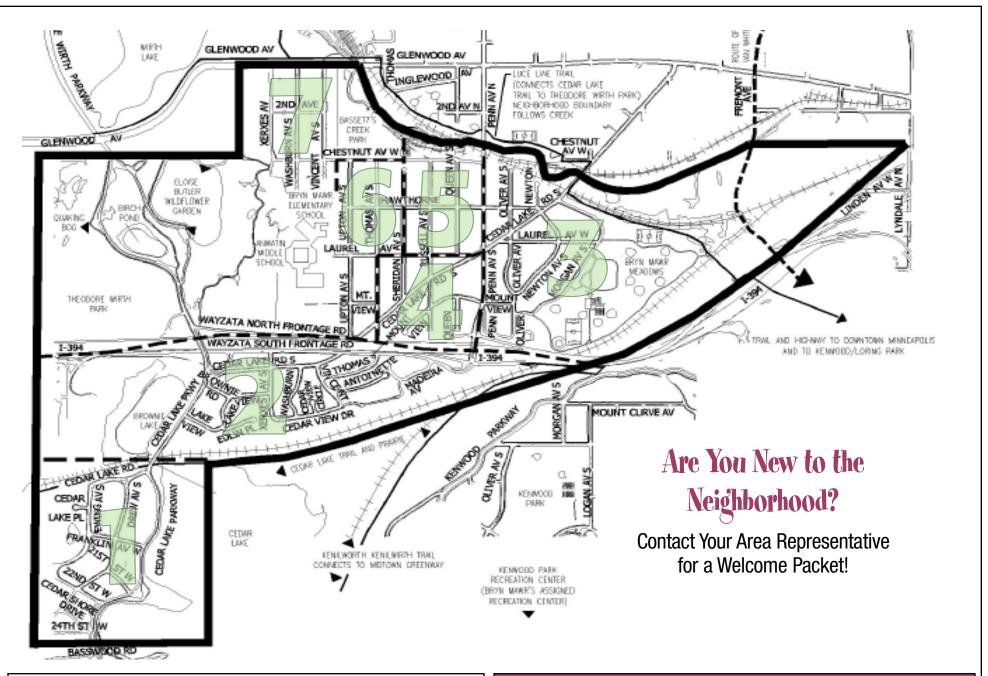
The final Dakota Language Immersion Camp will be held this June in the Bryn/Mawr Anwatin School Forest. Visit in March 2022 for details minneapolisnature preschool.org/dakhota-immersion.

Full scholarships are available, prioritizing Indigenous families. Please email Alyson Quinn at director@ minneapolisnaturepreschool.org with any questions.









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