

BRYN MAWR BUGLE

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2011 BMNA Membership Drive

he BMNA is preparing its annual membership campaign for the 2011 year. Past members will receive their renewal requests in mid February. Other Bryn Mawr residents will be receiving theirs by late February. The BMNA is a non-profit 501c3 organization, therefore, your contribution is 100% tax deductible. We hope you will continue to support the neighborhood association.

In 2010, the BMNA achieved the following accomplishments:

- -- undertook an ambitious solar panel project with 9 neighbors installing systems which reduce their energy needs from gas and electric sources (funds still available as of this writing).
- embarked on the raingarden project, offering neighbors free planning and subsidized installation to reduce stormwater run-off (spots still available if you're interested)
- together with the business association saw new street lights installed along Cedar Lake Road and Penn Avenue and removal of old signal light stumps at the comer.
- -- ...and installed a new community bulletin board outdoors by Studio 411 and Cockadoodledoo
- supported replacement of vandalized playground equipment at BME.

- actively engaged planners in the selection and choices surrounding the Southwest link for the LRT.
- participated as a partner and neighborhood convener with Minneapolis Park Board planners in their dramatic efforts to remake Wirth Park around the Wirth Lake area.
- started a new community garden committee to effectively manage public garden spaces in Bryn Mawr.

Your membership does more than authorize your vote at the annual meeting/potluck in May. It supports all the volunteer effort resulting in the above accomplishments. It also preserves the traditions of the annual Festival of Garage Sales in May, Ice Cream Social in July and the Harvest Dinner in October. And it helps maintain our staffing to assist and communicate with neighbors through the Bugle, website and emails. A strong neighborhood deserves and relies on an effective neighborhood association. If you agree, please respond with your vote of confidence and support by placing your check in the mail with your membership blank. Thank you.

 Marlin Possehl, BMNA President bmnaprez@comcast.net



Bill, Trish and Tristan Peterson, Area 7 carved this massive snowman out of the mounds of snow that piled up during the months of December 2010 and January 2011. To give you an idea of the size, that is a full size rubbish can be is wearing for a hat! Thank you Alex Boyland for sending this in. It has been quite a winter!

Project Starfish Thanks Contributors

aroling to raise money for homeless families was cancelled due to the blizzard on Saturnalia this year. However, we raised \$160. Thanks to Cuppa Java, for allowing us to put a collection jar on their counter. Proceeds went to St. Anne's Place Women's Shelter.

We'll hope for better weather next year!

- Mindy Macy, Area 6

Fewer Crimes Reported in Bryn Mawr

In 2010, Part One crimes were down significantly in Bryn Mawr. There were 85 Part One crimes reported in Bryn Mawr last year, which is down 26% from where it was in 2009, and down 36% from 2008. Looking farther back, 2010 had the fewest number of crimes reported since 2000, when there were only 77 Part One crimes reported.

Every category of Part One crime was either down or remained the same in 2010 except for Auto Theft. Interestingly, of the 10 auto thefts reported in 2010, 8 of them happened in June. Had June been more typical for auto thefts (typically from 0 to 2) 2010 may well have been the best year for part one crime on over twelve years.

Of all the crimes reported, the rape reported in June of last year caused the most anxiety among many Bryn Mawr neighbors. As it turns out however, the report was unfounded. The alleged victim, a homeless woman, later recanted her story and admitted that she made it up in order to gain access to emergency social services.

The most significant declines came in burglary and theft. Theft was down 31% from 55 in 2009 to 38 in 2010. Much of that decline came from car break-ins, which were down 47% from 34 in 2009 to 18 in 2010. Clearly, more people are getting the message: "Don't leave items of value in your car."

Burglaries were down 34% from 47 in 2009 to 31 in 2010. As is typical for Bryn Mawr, and most residential neighborhoods, most of these burglaries happened during normal business hours when people are typically away at work. This fact points to three important things that people should understand about burglaries. First, nearly all burglars will only enter a home if they think that no one is there to confront them. When burglars do enter an occupied home, it's nearly always in the belief that they can sneak in and out without the occupants noticing. The last thing most burglars want is a confrontation with the person from whom they're stealing. Another important point is this: the common sense measures that you take to protect your home while you're not there are vitally

BRYN-MAWR	2009	2010	%Change
HOMICIDE	0	0	0%
RAPE	2	1	-50%
ROBBERY	4	4	0%
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	2	1	-50%
BURGLARY	47	31	-34%
THEFT	55	38	-31%
AUTO THEFT	4	10	150%
ARSON	1	0	-100%
TOTAL	115	85	-26%

important in reducing your chance of being burglarized. Understanding how your landscaping, lighting, security hardware and other practices can either attract or deter a burglar will reduce your risk. Don't give prowlers a place to hide. Make them work at breaking in. The more noise they make, and the longer it takes the less likely they are to gain entry.

Finally, if you see something suspicious, call 911 right away. That's how burglars get caught. Those of you who are home during the day, when most of your neighbors are at work have a particular role to play in keeping Bryn Mawr safe. You're the ones who are most likely to see

suspicious people lurking in the neighborhood. It's your vigilance, and your willingness to call 911 that makes Bryn Mawr a risky place for burglars to ply their trade.

All in all, from a crime and safety perspective, 2010 was one of the best years in Bryn Mawr in recent memory. The 34% reduction in burglaries along with the 31% reduction in theft are both welcome news. Lets all keep working together to ensure that this trend continues in 2011.

Tim Hammett, Crime Prevention Specialist, Minneapolis Police Dep arment (612) 673-2866 timothy.bammett@ci.minneapolis.mn.us 2 The Bryn Mawr Bugle February 2011 on the web at



Bryn Mawr Neighborhood Association Meeting Minutes - December 8, 2010

Call to Order and Introductions:

Present: Marlin Possehl, President; Ted Kiesselbach, Vice President; Larry Skov, Co-Vice President; Claire Plank, Secretary; Ben Horn, Co-Treasurer; Dave Holets, Area 1; Carleton Johnson, Area 2; George Seebach, Area 2; Susan Verrett, Area 2; Dave Wahlstedt, Area 2; Rick Carter, Area 3; Jessica Wiley, Area 3; Chris Etz, Area 4; Paul Markert, Area 4; Dave Logsdon, Area 5; Stephen Harvey, Area 7; Andrew Kraling, Area 7; JoEllyn Jolstad, Bugle, Patty Wycoff, Neighborhood Coordinator; Scott McLaughlin, NRP Chair Guests in attendance: Lisa Goodman, City Councilmember; Neil Trembley, Area 3

Approval of Consent Agenda: Approved

- Minutes of last month's meeting
- Today's Agenda
- Acceptance of this month's Financial Report (available online)

Accept Claire Plank's Resignation

• Seeking new secretary

City Update: Councilmember Lisa Goodman

- Discussion of changes to Minneapolis Property Tax Bill.
- Visit

http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/ward7/ for additional information.

Neighborhood Coordinator Activity Report: Patty Wycoff

- Neighborhood Coordinator Contract clarify general and specific duties, "go-to" person.
- Welcome Packets are ready

LRT Charette Report: Neil Trembley

• Information, notes, comments from charette have been compiled. Create a "living document" that will continue to evolve.

NRP Report: Scott McLaughlin

- CEE Energy Project 10 slots are still available.
- Downtown Project (lighting & striping) lights to come end of December, then banners.
- Downtown Project (kiosk) Up and ready. Neighborhood Bulletin Board.

WEEKLY MEETINGS OF ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

are held at Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church,

Cedar Lake Road and Laurel Avenue,on Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m.

All interested people are invited to attend.

- Rain Gardens Scott to clarify on funding.
- Community Solar Power Project -Updates every month on how much power program is generating.

NiceRide Proposal: Ben Horn

• NiceRide MN hired an outside contractor to determine where best locations would be.

Capstone LRT Project: Rick, Barry, George, Greg, Jay

• Contract with class, Jan. 20 to May 18 with representation from BMNA once a month.

Update from website committee

- Dave Holets
- Create section on website for update on LRT planning.

Treasurer's Report: Ben Horn

• Paul and Patty to oversee 2011 contribution plan.

Adjourn 9:00 pm NEXT BOARD MEETING: Wed, Jan 8, 7:00 p.m., Bryn Mawr Elementary

Bryn Mawr Neighborhood Association Meeting Minutes - January 12, 2011

Call to Order and Introductions:

Present: Marlin Possehl, President; Ted Kiesselbach, Co-Vice President; Larry Skov, Co-Vice President, Sandra Gay, Secretary; Ben Horn, Co-Treasurer; Greg Forehle, Area 1; Dave Holets, Area 1; Susan Verrett, Area 2; Lynda Shaheen, Area 2; Dave Wahlstadt, Area 2, Rick Carter, Area 3, Chris Etz, Area 4; Dave Logsdon, Area 5; Jay Peterson, Area 6; Barry Schade, Area 6; Andrew Kraling, Area 7; Patty Wycoff, Neighborhood Coordinator; Scott McLaughlin, NRP Chair, JoEllyn Jolstad-Bugle Editor. Guests in attendance: Lisa Good-

man, City Councilmember

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Crime update: Minneapolis Police Department Liaison - Tim Hammett

• Most crimes down except for auto theft. Don't know why anomaly occurred. The one rape was a false report. See attachment.

City update: Councilmember Lisa Goodman

- Lunch with Lisa starting up-1st presentation is with Tom Oslund for a focus group for the Peavey Plaza upgrade It will be held Jan 26 at Opus Hall, Rm 202 at St. Thomas. Open houses will be held in next couple of months.
- Property Taxes- Property valuation coming soon. Statement will come in mail. Go to Assessor if don't agree with valuation. Appeal process can go thru courts or Asses-

sor. Bryn Mawr not seeing highest raise in Property Taxes. See attached handouts.

- Census-Can access state by state basis. See websites on attached handouts.
- Misc.-The Schubert Theater will open in Sept 2011. WAC presentation on riverfront development on Jan 27.

NC Activity Report: Patty Wycoff

- Saturnalia-Cancelled due to snow storm.
- Welcome Packets-Packets will be ready as soon as coupons are updated.
- Directory- 2012 directory info is due and form is included in Welcome Packets. It is printed every three years. Advertising pays for it.
- Website- An article will be included on website on foreclosure prevention. Packets are available thru BMNA.
- Proposal for Business Assoc..-Some money will be awarded although not as much as previously thought. BMNA may need to consider sponsor role in the future.

Bugle Report: JoEllyn Jolstad

- No issue in Jan.
- Advertising-It is falling off and some advertisers didn't pay. New ads for Bugle needed.

Membership Update: Ben/Paul

• Renewal packet will be printed by Feb meeting. An article will be placed in Bugle on membership. There will be an envelope stuffing party prior to Feb meeting at 6:30pm.

NRP report/discussion - Scott McLaughlin

- CEE Energy Project: Have 10 coupons left for free home visits to conduct energy audit. Invited to competition for a grant. Need volunteer Jan 21 8-9:30am. Andrew Krahling volunteered.
- Downtown Project (lighting & striping)- New LED lighting installed at corner of Penn and Cedar Lake Road. No comments yet. Banners group needs to meet for final decisions.
- Raingarden Project- 90% done. Have \$18,000 for implementations. Half of coupons purchased. 15 more available. Free consultation and free design services. Get \$\$\$ for implementation. Need to clarify to residents that funds are available. Metro Blooms working with us.
- Community Solar Power Project-Half done with reimbursement to residents. 1 year extension was granted for distribution of funds, \$21,000 left. Add participants' testimonials to website.
- NRP axed by City Council but \$7200-\$18000 is still available for Bryn Mawr projects. \$17000 to \$28000 was lost. Active groups continue to work on proposals to compete. Had \$330,000 initially.

Update on proposal to add NiceRide bike kiosks to downtown-Ben Horn

No Update.

Community Project Report - Rick/Jessica/Jay

• 5th annual project-Deadline for proposals is Feb. 20th. Could use NRP \$\$\$ for \$2000 budget.

LRT Project Updates: Rick/Barry/Jay

- Capstone (Humphrey Institute)
 Project- Rick Carter is working with
 Capstone Class on Penn LRT Station.
 Monthly updates will be presented.
 A presentation on conclusions will
 be made at end of class.
- Cedar Lake Parks Ass'n Charette-Barry/Jay There has been a delay in draft statement. Citizens Advisory Committee is busy on other projects. Funding in place?

Garden Project Developments

- on hiatus for winter but plan an organizational meeting soon.

Update from Website Committee: Dave

- No Update

Standing Committee Reports

- Redistricting Committee Report-Barry - Nothing to report.
- Land Use Committee Report- NA
- Schools Committee Report- Iynda Shaheen Neighborhood delineated walking areas vs. busing. Mapping done to designate best areas for group walking or busing. School committee looking at Community Ed. Gov. Dayton appointed a new Commissioner of Education who is an educator rather than politician. School choices changed a small amount for Bryn Mawr compared to other neighborhoods. School changes due Feb 8th.
- Communications Committee Report- Jay Requested volunteers to meet and look at overview of communication vehicles. Replaces Bugle Committee.

Treasurer's report- Ben Horn

• Balance sheet passed around. Will be emailed to the board. There was no 2011 budget to present but will follow 2010 experience. Fundraising and income a little down. The final balance was up \$4000 for year. Discussed retreat for Board members.

Reports from BMNA Reps to affiliated groups:

- No updates (BCV-ROC, SWLRT, CL Parks)

Discussion Items, Updates and Announcements:

• A program to distribute healthy foods one day a month, funded by a grant from Blue Cross&Blue Shield, considering a location in Bryn Mawr. More later.

Adjourn 8:45pm pm

NEXT BOARD MEETING:

Wed., Feb. 9th Bryn Mawr Elementary Cafeteria

6:30 pm - Envelope Stuffing 7:00 pm - Meeting

UPCOMING EVENTS:

2011 Membership Campaign



If the great trees of Bryn Mawr could talk, I bet they could easily pronounce "Kal-itow-ski."

Jim Kalitowski R E A L T O R He's been around your block.



The Bryn Mawr Bugle February 2011 on the web at

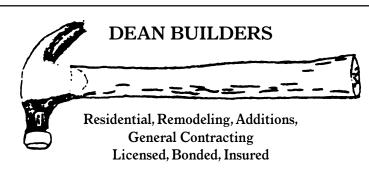


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Bryn Mawr Recycling Schedule

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

Use it up, wear it out, make it do, do without. Recycle.



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From the Editor

'ere we begin another year of the Bryn Mawr Bugle. LEach February, for the past 14 years I have tried to do something new and different in the Bugle. This year I have not come up with anything yet - so let me know if you have a great idea.

The only thing that I really considered, was replacing this column with some guest writers and I am still open to that. Again, all it would take is someone with the inspiration to step up and let me know.

There is one small new item on the calendar page. "Coordinator's Comer" was a suggestion of the BMNA Board members who helped revise the Neighborhood Coordinator conract that was recently renewed for a two-vear term with the wonderful Patty Wycoff.

For several months last year, the Bugle put out the word that the contract was up for renewal and new applicants were being considered. As far as I know, no one came forward, but fear not, Bryn Mawr is still in good hands.

Patty is hard-working and full of energy and ideas. She is always willing to answer questions or track down the person who can solve a problem. She is the one who provided the information on page 11 about what to do if you are worried about foreclosure and got the great volunteers at Crossroads to help a

neighbor in need. She has lots connections and experience, so if you are needing or wondering something neighborhood-related, take her up on her offer to help.

The Neighborhood Coordinator and Bugle Editor contracts are two year commitments that come up for renewal in alternate years. The Bugle Editor contract (which I currently hold) expires at the end of this year. In the next few months you will start seeing notices in the Bugle that the Editor's position is open for applications.

Here is where I imagine people expect me to say what it takes to produce the Bugle. But, the realilty is that I could only tell you the way that I do it. I do not do it the same way previous editors have and not the way subsequent editors will.

I can tell you this. The thing I find most valuable is spending time with and talking to neighbors -- especially Board members. The BMNA Board does so much to support this neighborhood. Some months it is almost impossible to get everything in to one 12-page paper!

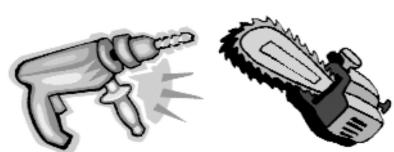
I don't mean to give the impression that I am not interested in continuing with the Bugle. But, I believe in a fair process and think that anyone who has fresh ideas about how the Bugle brings the news to Bryn Mawr should be heard.

- JoEllyn Jolstad, bugle@bmna.org

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Counter Talk by Dave Logsdon



"I always thought that a big laugh is really a loud noise from the soul saying, Ain't that the truth!"

- Quincy Jones-

his old winter has been a real beat down. This will be remembered in these part as the year our Saturnalia Festival was cancelled because of too much WINTER! Reflecting on this winter of our discontent, I bring you another year of observations and musings from our little slice of urban heaven.

Spring will come...right??

Way down underneath all that snow are seeds ready to burst forth whenever they get the chance. The Bryn Mawr Gardening Group is meeting again in February to plot our strategies for our community gardens and our rain garden projects for 2011. There is still time to get in on the rain garden program. Give Scott McLaughlin a call at 374-9494, or you can e-mail me. Yes, you can now e-mail me about anything! This e-mail thing will give you an easy forum for you to express your angst over something I've written and won't that be fun. Keep it clean and respectful, for example, I prefer Mr. Bleephead to just bleephead.

Random thoughts and shout outs

Congratulations to Roma di Luna whose new CD "Then the Moming Came", was voted by all the Twin City music critics as the fifth best local CD of 2010. Alexei Moon Casselle who grew up in Bryn Mawr and his lovely and talented wife, Channy, head up this up and coming group.

Dennis Spears of Area 3 was among the many talented musicians participating in a benefit for Ann Marsden at the Dakota in January. Ann is battling cancer and has a lot of connections to this community. She is one of the very best photographers in the Twin Cities.

Mark Smith of Area 3 is very close to opening up shop at the old Classic Tailor Shop on Penn. His unique custom framing business will add to the diversity of our Bryn Mawr shopping experience.

The new tailor/dry cleaning merchandise close out store (V for U) on the corner of Penn & Cedar Lk. Road will be staying open longer hours. And, by the way, you can thank them for bringing Siberian weather with them to Bryn Mawr!

Now that the Bryn Mawr Market is actually selling products that the neighborhood usually buys (more organics,etc), the community has responded. If you haven't been in lately you might be shocked at the variety available!

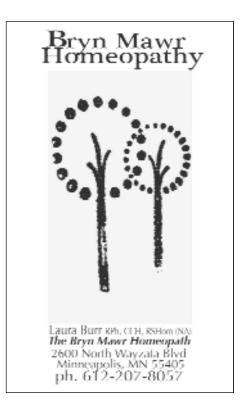
Joe Webb, the new Viking Quarterback and I have two things in common, we both get our hair cut by Ray (Ray and Dre's next to the Bryn Mawr Coffee Shop)and neither of us are ready to quarterback in the NFL. (the devil made me say it)

Area 3's Bruce Berry was not arrested in the Veterans for Peace demonstration December 16th. He did lead the silent procession, beating a solitary drum with his one good arm. Hundreds of Veterans were arrested, including Daniel Ellsburg, at anti-war protest.

Isabel Monk-O'connor is missing in action! We won't be seeing this talented thespian walking with her pals for at least nine months as she is plying her craft in Ashland, Oregon for an extended period. She will have a role in Shakespeare's "Measure for Measure" and in Harper Lee's "To Kill a Mockingbird". So if you are out west this year be sure to check her out and give her a hug from all of us in Bryn Mawr.

Before I go, I would like to thank all you all for doing a great job of keeping your sidewalks clear. Believe me, this shoveling thing is getting a little old, but the elderly and disabled are able to get around a lot easier if all go the extra mile. Peace out, I'll try to do better next time!

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Bryn Mawr goes SOLAR!

\$1000-\$3000 Incentives still available!



BMNA is continuing the Bryn Mawr Community Solar Program through 2011. Community incentives plus federal tax credits make this the perfect time to go solar! Contact BMNA for program guidelines.

Call us today to explore your Solar options!



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The Bryn Mawr HOURCAR is supported by a \$12,000 grant from the McKnight Foundation matched by \$10,000 in NRP funds from the Bryn Mawr Neighborhood Association. We thank the following local businesses and residents who also support HourCar:

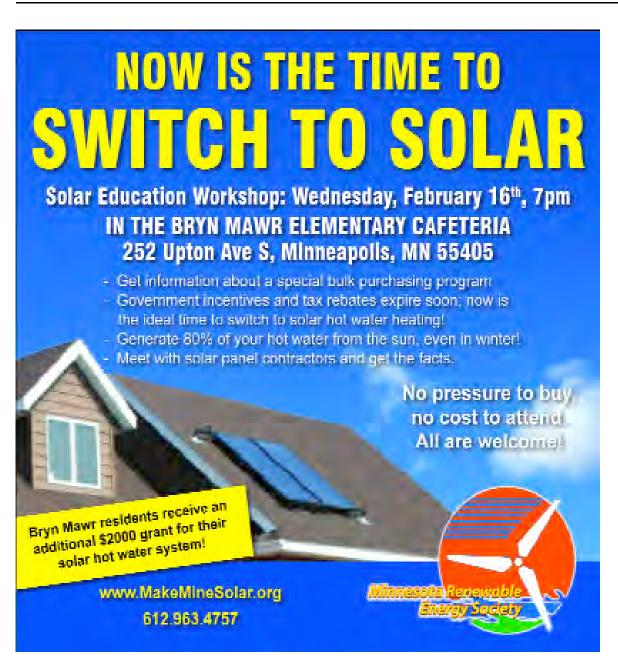
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Ellen Abbott & Jerry Krause, residents James Kalitowski, realtor FinnStyle, the online business Bryn Mawr Mobil **The Bryn Mawr** *Bugle* February 2011 on the web at





Volunteer Spotlight: Christopher Etz



BMNA Area 4 Representative

A series profiling outstanding BMNA volunteers.

1. How long have you been a Bryn Mawr resident? Ten Years.

2. What do you like most about living here?

Our great location. Easy access to the parks and lakes. Great jogging, biking and ski trails. And proximity to downtown and all that it has to offer.

- **3.** What do you wish you could change about the neighborhood? We have many hardworking and dedicated people volunteering for the BMNA. My wish is that we saw new faces more often.
- **4.** In what ways do you volunteer in Bryn Mawr? I am an Area 4 Co-Representative.
- 5. Why do you volunteer?

It's fun and it keeps me connected with my community.

Bryn Mawr Neighborhood Association Calendar - February 2011

All meetings are open - everyone is welcome. Neighbors are urged to attend and participate in meetings and activities of special interest to them.

Bryn Maur Neighborhood Association and its committees meet at Bryn Maur Flementan School during the school year unless otherwise noted.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	Land Use Meeting at 2 Bryn Mawr School in Rm. 136 at 6:30 pm	3	4	City of Lakes Nordic 5 Ski Foundation Lop- pet - Junior Loppet 2:30 - MinneLoppet 3:30
City of Lakes Nordic 6 Ski Foundation Lop- pet	7	Minneapolis K-12 8 School Choice Cards due.	BMNA Monthly Meet-9 ing at Bryn Mawr School in the media center at 7pm.	10	11	12
13	14	Bassett Creek Valley 15 Redevelopment Oversight Committee (ROC) Meeting, 6:30 Ripley Gardens-corner of Penn and Glenwood Aves.	Solar Water Heating 16 Workshop, 7pm Bryn Mawr School Cafeteria	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	Lunch w/ Lisa 24 Goodman at St. Thomas at noon. 10th and LaSalle, RM 257 \$10/person,	25	Bail Out The Band 26 Event at Lee's Liquor Lounge for Bryn Mawr Elementary Band Program, 8pm
27	28	My name is Patty	NATOR CO Wycoff and I am the	e Bryn Mawr Neighb		Coordinator.

Please add your e-mail to the BMNA e-mail list. Go to bmna.org and click on "add to e-mail." You will receive information about upcoming events, snow emergencies, crime reports, etc.

Bryn Mawr Community Projects

Bryn Mawr Community Solar Program Update





Power Output: 17,521 KwH Panels Installed: 112

Do your part and attend the solar thermal workshop on 1/16/2011 at the Bryn Mawr. The BMNA is doing it's part by providing \$2,000 grants for participants. Bottom line, you can get a solar power water heating system installed for only \$3,180. (see advertisement from MN Energy Renewable Society)

Bryn Mawr Rain Garden Proposal Approved!!!

he BMNA received great news last week from NRP...final approval has been granted. This program provides funding for the consultation, design and installation of up to 30 raingardens in Bryn Mawr! In order to take part in this program, residents must purchase a \$25 coupon from the BMNA. To purchase one of the 20 remaining coupons simply send a check for \$25 to:

BMNA - Raingardens PO Box 16437 Minneapolis, MN 55416

Bryn Mawr Community Energy Program

Slots available for energy workshops going fast

Friends, don't delay in getting that FREE energy audit and a bunch of FREE home energy saving materials! We started this program with 100 neighborhood slots, of which only 8 remain! Please call Ashley Robertson with the Center for Energy and Environment at 612-335-5869 to take advantage of this opportunity.

Dates and locations of upcoming workshops

2/8/2011 6:30-7:30PM Logan Recreation Center 690 13th Ave NE

2/17/2011 6:30-8:00PM Phelps Park Recreation Center 701 39th St E

2/22/2011 6:30-8:00PM Burroughs Community School 1601 50th Street W

3/1/2011 6:30-8:00PM Lucey Laney Elementary School 3333 Penn Ave N

BMNA Community Project Committee Got a good idea?

he BMNA Community Project program has been in place for the last four years. Ideas for projects that will improve our community are being solicited from neighbors. Projects may support priorities in the following areas:

- Environmental (ie the ash tree identification project)
- Energy (an example being the energy challenge project)
- Downtown (the lighting and banner project currently being worked on by the NRP committee)
- Transportation
- Community enhancement (ie the beautiful Upton garden redesign)

These projects are mainly supported with sweat equity and donation, although the board has a small budget to support some expenses. The committee will review all suggestions and make a recommendation at the March 2011 BMNA board meeting.

We will include the priority ideas from last year and add any new ideas contributed this winter. Please submit ideas for projects to jesswiley@comcast.net, or 612-374-3481 by February 20, 2011

BRYN MAWR REMODEL WINS COTY AWARD

Paul and Kristin Markert didn't expect to draw any attention when remodeling the basement of their 1929 Craftsman home two years ago. They simply wanted to create a comfortable, cheerful place to relax as family – a place where their kids could play games, do homework, and watch movies. "We wanted a family room downstairs but worried that it would always feel like a dark, musty basement," recalls Kristin.

The Markerts hired a local remodeling company to create a design for their basement space and to complete the remodel. "We can't believe how our basement's been transformed – it doesn't feel like a basement; it's the liveable, cozy space we've always needed and wanted," Kristin says, trying not to gush. And others seem to agree. Completed in 2009, the Markert's basement remodel landed them on the Minneapolis-St. Paul Home Tour last spring with more than 350 visitors and in the spotlight again this winter as their project was issued a prestigious remodeling award called the "COTY."

COTY awards are issued annually by the National Association of the Remodeling Industry (NARI) to companies for individual projects. In this case, the award went to DiGiacomo Homes & Renovation for their remodel of the Market's 600 sq.ft. basement. The Markert's project competed against other Minnesota remodel projects in the category called "Residential Interior Under \$150,000." Projects were judged anonymously by the NARI chapter in Milwaukee. Awards were issued based on design, construction, innovative use of materials, and the ability to meet or exceed client goals.

Award winning features of the Market's basement include:

- High functioning, custom cabinetry designed to house off-season sports gear, holiday decorations, etc....
- Historic detailing for new, open railings and trim to compliment trim found in the remainder of the home
- An affordable media system and retractable screen that transform the family room into a full-blown home theater
- State-of-the art waterproofing, in-floor heat, and abundant lighting to warm and cheer the space
- The use of "green" materials such as FSC-certified wood for all cabinetry



The design-build firm, DiGiacomo Homes & Renovation, is a 10-time winner of the COTY award and other regional and national awards. DiGiacomo Homes & Renovation is owned and operated by the husband-wife team Rocky and Gigi DiGiacomo who have brought together the skills of architectural planning, project construction, and interior design under one roof – taking the traditional design-build approach one step further. "We were honored to work with Markert's on their basement remodel," says Rocky. "We feel certain that the new space will be enjoyed for generations to come."



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View From the Bridge

Bell Museum of Natural History February 2011

any, if not all, of these columns discuss the subject Lof Natural History. I've been at fault for not mentioning a nearby gem: Bell Museum of Natural History at the East Bank of the University of Minnesota.

World-class dioramas, naturethemed films and lectures, fig trees from Borneo and New Guinea, a "touch-and-see" room, art displays that advocate for protecting and restoring nature, an exhibit on sustainable housing for people and other animals, even a full-scale solar house! During Minnesota winters, Bell Museum offers an antidote to cabin fever.

The nature diorama is the heart of the Bell Museum - and the original three-dimensional media - no glasses required. Early collections of the Bell Museum consisted of nature specimens including animal taxidermy. Beginning in 1919, new museum director T.S. Roberts changed this. He intended dioramas to display vanishing wilderness areas and to promote conservation of nature areas. He insisted that dioramas be scientifically accurate as well as serve as beautiful works of art.

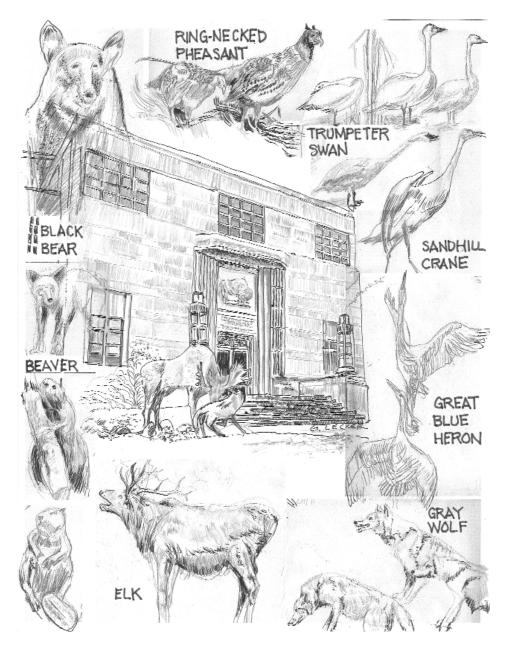
Dioramas include the following components: a backdrop, a floor, animals, and plants or trees. Next to the museum lobby, an entry exhibit examines diorama construction. In fact, a hands-on exhibit allows a visitor, to make a diorama and take a photograph as a record of your creation.

Artists Charles Corwin, Bruce Horsfall, and most notably, Francis Lee Jaques painted the curved backdrops which, by themselves, are fine art. In many cases, their painting extended onto the sloping floor of the diorama. Together, the painted perspective, and the curving and sloping surfaces

create the illusion of much depth. At the Bell Museum, these backdrops represent actual recognizable places across the state of Minnesota - or at least, somewhat identifiable. True to T.S. Roberts' concerns, man and his development has altered some of these places.

Layered in the diorama foreground is a rich composition of vegetation the part of the diorama requiring the most construction time. The inclusion of actual or artificial foliage within the dioramas required much labor. Evergreen foliage such as spruce or cedar leaves was preserved by soaking the leaves in a solution of alcohol and glycerin. Any deciduous foliage is artificial and is made of wax or vinyl. Grass was cut of colored sheets of vinyl. Leaves were molded of colored wax. Artists bent and painted the leaves and attached them to actual twigs, branches, and tree trunks. Even fish were molded of colored wax and then painted and suspended to appear to be swimming within water.

The "star" of the dioramas is animal taxidermy. Animal skins are removed and casts of the animal are made sculpted of clay to use in making a life-like form to support the preserved skin. A plaster mold of the "posed" clay animal sculpture allows for a lightweight paper mache cast to be made. Taxidermists glue the tanned skin to this form. Details such as teeth, tongues and feet are added to the animal models - but first these are cast from the actual animal. Lastly, specialists make glass eyes in a variety of sizes, shapes and colors. The animals are "posed" and attached to the diorama floor or to "trees". Birds are mounted to armatures that are "hidden" by being positioned immediately behind the bird mount in such a way so as to appear to be flying.



The forms and details of the Art Deco/Art Moderne building - wood paneling, decorative metals, colored terrazzo floors, custom light fixtures reach a climax in the building's auditorium. There, nature-themed films are shown on the upcoming first Thursday evenings of each month.

The "Rainforest and Figs" research exhibit grows in a daylighted and artificially illuminated "conservatory. Researcher Dr. George Weiblen, curator of plans at the Bell Museum, grew these plants from seeds he collected on the Southeast Asian islands of Borneo and New Guinea.

On the Edge, presented by Project Art for Nature January 9 through March 12, 2011 Local artists portray nature in paint, pastel, hand-made paper, steel, mixed-media, embroidery, and even

mineral deposits from a water filter! Sustainable Shelters: Dwelling Within the Forces of Nature, including the Icon Solar House October 16, 2010 through May 15, 2011 The exhibit combines interactive technology displays, nature specimens, living terrariums, and photography to illustrate sustainability concepts -naturally occurring and man-made. On display adjacent to representations of animal homes are models of human homes from three eras: mid-1800s, 1950s, and the year 2000. Most obvious is the difference in size: average home size has grown from less than 400 square feet through 1,000 square feet to 2,500 square feet! This transition is even more compelling when one acknowledges that average household size has dropped from seven, multi-generational family members in the mid-1800s through 3.46 immediate family members in the 1950s to just 2.59 members in 2000! In case you can't guess what happened to the percapita annual production of carbon dioxide across this timeline, large overhead signage informs the visitor that average greenhouse gas production has increased from just 3,500 pounds in the mid-1800s (including burning wood to heat our homes) to

12,000 pounds in 2000. Visit the exhibit to learn about other lifestyle changes as well as options for light sources and home insulation methods.

After departing the Bell Museum, cross Church Street (or 17th Street north of University Avenue) towards the Armory, and you will find the Icon Solar House, designed and built by University of Minnesota students, faculty members, industry professionals, and contractors. First displayed on the National Mall in Washington, D.C., the home has been temporarily erected as part of the Sustainable Shelters exhibit.

So when are you going to visit the Bell? Sundays offer free admission. If parking charges at nearby parking garages are an obstacle, on-street parking can be found with some effort. Even with the restricted parking necessitated by this winter's snow, I found parking on a snow emergency route five blocks away from the Museum on a Sunday afternoon. I suggest looking for on-street parking on streets north of University Avenue soon after exiting 35W - 11th or 12th Street or other streets. Parking is less congested west or north of Dinkytown restaurants and stores.

Hours, Admission and Information

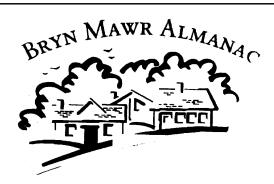
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Sources:

www.bellmuseum.org www.SolarDecathlon.umn.edu www.projectartfomature.org

Discover Bell Museum of Natural History...it will be worth your effort!

- Greg Lecker, U of M Extension Service Master Gardener, Minnesota Master Naturalist Volunteer



January 14, 2009

Great Grey Owl in a tree at Upton and Hawthorn, with a loud booming rhythmic "hoo-hoo-hoo-hoohoo-hoo", much lower-pitched than the familiar Great Horned Owl's "who-who-who cooks for you". Great Greys belong in Canada, but can be seen as far south as Iowa when food supply is short in deepsnow years (like this one).

January 22, 2009

Low -22° at MSP airport.

February 15, 2003

Very bright sun dogs (parahelion) visible on the drive to work. These appear when the sun is low in the horizon and shining through cirrus clouds, which consist of microscopic ice crystals around 25,000 feet high. The crystals reflect sunlight at a 22° angle.

February 18, 2011

Full moon, the Ojibwe Crust of Snow moon, so called because the strengthening February sun melts the top layer of snow, which refreezes at night.

February 20, 2001 Huge flocks of crows roosting together in Wirth Park and Bryn Mawr Meadows. This is a prelude to mating season. Our crow population is exploding as these intelligent birds learn the tricks of urban living.



Bryn Mawr Raingarden Program Participant Guidelines

Program Overview:

The Bryn Mawr Neighborhood Association (BMNA) wishes to collaborate with Metro Blooms, the Neighborhood Revitalization Program and our property owners to implement a program aimed at installing 30 raingardens in Bryn Mawr from fall, 2010 through fall, 2012.

Metro Blooms is a local, private nonprofit volunteer-based educational organization which seeks to partner with other organizations, businesses, professional associations, local governments and watershed districts to promote environmentally sound gardening and landscaping practices to improve the health of our land and water resources. Raingardens have a very positive effect on neighborhoods and the environment. They can substantially improve local watersheds by capturing rain water and preventing surface runoff. Property owners may increase property value through improved aesthetics and have the potential to lower water bills if they use less water as a result of installing such a feature. This reduction in demand for fresh water helps sustain our community's freshwater source.

This program provides discounted coupons for consultation and design services to property owners as an incentive to install a raingarden. In addition, property owners will have an additional incentive in the form of installation grants to cover such items as excavation, landscaping, rain barrels, plantings, etc.

Expanded Definition of Raingarden: In this document the word 'raingarden' is used broadly to include storm water management systems. Property owners may elect to focus the design of their project on the more mechanical basics of a stormwater management project. Eligible Applicants: Anyone owning a residential or commercial property within the Bryn Mawr neighborhood is eligible to receive these incentives. More than one coupon and grant can be received if an owner owns more than one residential or commercial property, but only one coupon and grant will be provided for each property. Grants will only be made available to the first 30 homeowners who have purchased the \$25 coupon. Additional coupons will be made available to those who wish to be on a waiting list in the event a previous coupon holder is dropped from the pro-

Multiple Participation: Properties that receive or have received assistance through any Bryn Mawr NRP Home Improvement Program or Commercial Improvement Matching Grant program may participate in this program.

Eligible Properties: Properties must be located in the Bryn Mawr neighborhood. The properties can be either owner-occupied or absenteeowned. Condominium or town home associations shall be eligible to participate in this program. Eligible Projects: To be eligible for an installation grant, projects must meet certain criteria. This criteria is in place to insure that these types of projects meet environmental standards set forth for raingardens. Grant payments will not be made on any specific project until certification by the BMNA Raingarden Committee.

The following 6 criteria will be used to certify a rain garden:

- 1. Location of the Raingarden: If capturing roof runoff, the raingarden should be at least 10 feet away, 20 feet away if possible, from the building to prevent potential water seepage into the basement.
- 2. Sizing the Raingarden: The depth of the raingarden should be between four and 12 inches. The depth of the garden is measured from the lowest point of the garden bed to the bottom of the outlet, (the place where the water spills out of the garden). The total area should be a minimum of 100 square feet.
- 3. Drainage: The raingarden should be filled with loose soil that should contain a blend of organic matter. Soil mix is difficult to measure without a soil test. Soil amelioration may be required as part of the installation process. The plant selection in the raingarden should be plants that are known to have long roots.
- 4. Design: There should be an inlet and outlet for the raingarden. The water should be able to enter and exit the raingarden.
- 5. Maintenance: There should be no presence of invasive species.
- 6. Visual Appeal: There should be a diverse mix of perennial plant types, including some or all native plants.

City Permits: All applicable permits must be obtained by the contractor. **Incentive Amounts:** After purchasing a \$25 coupon property owners will receive consultation and design services worth \$100 from Metro Blooms. A property owner may elect to receive these services from another organization, in which case the amount of reimbursement to this organization will be limited to the lesser of \$100 or the actual cost of such services. Grants will be the lesser amount of \$500 or 50% of eligible installation costs. These may include labor and/or material costs related to the installation of the raingarden.

Property Owner Requirements regarding installation: Property owners will be required to have onsite for installation all landscaping supplies, including compost, mulch and plant materials. Property owners agree to maintain the raingarden according to an agreed upon maintenance plan for a minimum of five years.

Special Information for Metro
Blooms' Installations: Participants in
this project may be eligible for a
neighborhood-wide installation
event in 2011 and 2012. Metro
Blooms will work with Bassett
Creek Watershed District to seek
support for excavations services
from the Conservation Corps of Minnesota

If approved, an installation event will be planned for one week in 2011, during which raingarden excavation services will be scheduled throughout the neighborhood. Metro Blooms has also agreed to provide installation oversight services at a cost of \$110 for raingardens less than 150 square feet. This fee will be paid by the BMNA and deducted from the grant awarded to the property owner. Larger installations may require additional charges.

Coupon Purchase Process:

The Bryn Mawr Neighborhood Association (BMNA) will host workshops to introduce this program. Specifically, an expert in the field from Metro Blooms will explain what makes up a watershed, how pollution affects a watershed, and how residents can improve water quality. They will cover healthier lawn care practices including lesstoxic lawn care, using rain barrels, and using native plants, trees and shrubs. The basics of raingarden design, installation, and maintenance, including where to install a raingarden, how to measure infiltration, how to size a raingarden, how to prepare soil, how to redirect downspouts, and how to choose suitable native plants will also be highlighted. Participants will receive a packet of supporting materials

including a homework assignment to guide the planning of their own raingarden. Interested Bryn Mawr property owners will have the opportunity to purchase these coupons on a first-come first-serve basis beginning the night of the workshop. Attendance at a workshop is not required to purchase a coupon. After the workshop coupons will be available for purchase from the BMNA by sending in a check for \$25 to:

BMNA Raingarden Program P.O. Box 16437

Minneapolis, MN 55416

Please include a self-stamped envelope indicating the name of the person purchasing the coupon and the mailing address where you wish to have the coupon sent. Coupons are non-refundable.

Grant Application Process:

All applications for grants must be submitted to BMNA which will serve as the Program Administrator. The postmark deadline for grant applications is December 31, 2012. Applications should be sent to:

BMNA Raingarden Program P.O. Box 16437 Minneapolis, MN 55416

Applications must include the following:

- 1. A letter indicating the location of the rain garden, property owners name and contact information.
- 2. Copies of all invoices related to the installation of the raingarden.
- 3. Digital photographs of before and after shots of your rain garden sent to nrprep@bmna.org.

Proposed Timeline:

BMNA Board approves program guidelines and budget: Oct., 2010 BMNA begins program marketing: Oct., 2010

BMNA hosts raingarden workshops: Fall 2010 and Spring 2011 Property owners request consultation/design services: Fall 2010-Summer 2012

Installation of raingardens: Fall 2010-Fall 2012





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2010 "Taste of Anwatin" Craft Fair & Empty Bowls Project - Community Night

he 15th Annual Anwatin Arts & Crafts Fair was held on Thursday, December 2nd at Anwatin Middle School. The Media Center hosted artists, staff members, students, parents and Bryn Mawr families who shopped and socializing at the annual community-building event.

The school's winter music concert was also held this evening and students in the Theater Troupe and Community Team did hunger awareness presentations.

For the fourth year, an "Empty Bowls Project" celebration raised money to help hungry people in Minneapolis. Student-made ceramic bowls, along with soup and a variety of ethnic foods were sold to benefit Second Harvest Food Shelf in the Phillips neighborhood.

Over \$1100 was raised through the event. Thank you to Milda's and Cuppa Java, who both donated soup for the event.

- Mary Duffy, Area 1



Youth & Schools

Lynda Shaheen, BMNA Schools Committee Co-Chair

K-12 School Choice Cards

eminder school choice cards are due February 8, 2011. Students entering kindergarten, students not currently attending or who want to change to another Minneapolis Public School, and students entering middle or high school, who want to request a school that is not their pathway school, all must submit a school request. School request cards must be postmarked, faxed or completed online by February 8, 2011, to be included in the school choice lottery for the fall. For more information: http://schoolchoice.mpls.k12.mn.us/

First Lego League Tournament By Will Marshall, Grade 3

n Saturday January 15, 2011 the Bryn Mawr Elementary school GISE (Guys In Science and Engineering) and GEMS (Girls in Engineering Math and Science) participated in the First Lego League Tournament at Washburn high school. The tournament had 3 elements to be judged on: Robot performance, Technical, and Research. In robot performance you were judged on how well your robot did on the game board which was themed Body Forward. In Technical your team was judged on how you designed your robot and how

your programs worked. In Research you were judged on your health related research project in different ways such as a skit or a hands on demonstration. In robot performance there is a board with various pushing, pulling and swinging challenges that awarded points. The goal is to get as many points as possible by completing the challenges.

Being a Bryn Mawr GISE person on the team was amazing. The intensity was so awesome. All my friends and I got a lot of work done that day. I'm definitely doing it next year. Best of all we all got medals at the awards ceremony-- of the four Bryn Mawr teams, two teams got awards.

Go Bryn Mawr!

Les Miserables at SWHS

enwood School third grader, Willa Flink will be acting and singing in Southwest High School's production of Les Miserables. She plays the part of young Eponine. The show runs March 3-5 and 10-13 at 7:00 pm in Southwest High School's auditorium (3414 West 47th Street). Call 612-668-3030 for tickets. Willa lives in area 1 with her parents Carl and Emilie Flink and twin 3 year old sisters Iris and Freyja. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students.

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Hello? Honey, I'm on the phone with the Bryn Mawr PTA - I'll have to call you back. What? Sounds yummy. I'll take a 1/2 call skim latte no Iroth. No, no Iroth. Ummm...yes, 1 raw sugar. No, skim. Milk - skim milk. What? No - yes, what?... Ooh, and let's do a couple of gooey donuts with sprinkles.

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Sorry about that...he's bringing me home a latte and a donut.

At least I think it will be a latte...all bets are off at this point.

Anyway, what were you were you saying? Really? I didn't know that children who are involved in music and arts programs score higher on their overall test scores. This program really is a must. A fundraiser in Lebruary? The 26th at Lee's Liquor? With live music, ooh sounds like a gas! We're in. What the cost? \$10 a ticket? That's a screamin' deal.

Hmmm, I know our neighbors will be out of town, but I'm sure they would be happy to give what they could if I let them know. Where can I tell them to go for more information?

www.bailouttheband.org. If you do the math it boils down to some pretty small sacrifices to be a supporter. We're in.

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Hey honey, keep the latte - but skip the donuts! We're going to be proud supporters of the Bryn Mawr Band!

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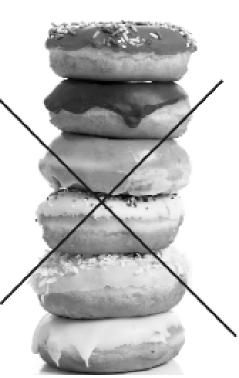
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Church Open House

onstruction is complete! We'd like to share our new look with you. Please join us Sunday, February 27 to take a tour of our newly renovated space. All are welcome to the church service and dedication at 10:30am. In addition there will be a coffee hour and touring of the building from noon to two for those who wish to stop by. Our building is now fully accessible with the addition of an elevator. We've added classrooms, torn down walls to create bigger spaces, and updated the carpet and fixtures. In the sanctuary we created a better platformfor the choir, refinished the wood floors, and installed a new focal piece. We'd love to have our neighbors see the changes. For questions or more information please call 377.5222

- Lynda Shaheen, Area 2

New Business in Bryn Mawr

V4U Tailors and Dry Cleaners have been open for business since September on the corner of Penn Avenue and Cedar Lake Road in bustling Downtown Bryn Mawr.

Mawr with a local laundry and dry cleaning service formerly offered by Classic Tailors. Clothes are sent for cleaning to the same establishments that Classic Tailors used. Tumaround time for dry cleaning items is the next day if you bring them in before noon. The business also can take care of clothing alterations, pants hemming, zipper replacements and garment repairs.

Here, the customer comes first. To accommodate work schedules, the store opens on Mondays at 7:30am, all other days at 10:00am. Per customer request, evening hours are extended on Mondays to 7:30pm,

Tuesdays through Thursdays to 7:00pm and Fridays to 6:00pm. Saturday hours are 10:00am to 4:00pm.

Need to spice up your wardrobe? Another part of the store is V4U Outlet with a full range of men's and women's fashions. The stylish clothes for sale are brand-new overstock from Macy's at greatly reduced prices.

You are always greeted with big smiles from V4U Tailors and Dry Cleaners owner Irina Lee and customer assistant Michael Haimov who are happy to be in the Bryn Mawr neighborhood.

- Sandy Clark, Area 4

Draft Environmental Impact Statement for SW LRT is delayed

he Federal Transit Administration has indicated that their review of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Southwest LRT project has been delayed. Previously expected to be issued near the end of this past year, the DEIS may now be released around the end of the first quarter of 2011.

In the meantime, work continues to be done by the Park Board Community Advisory Committee on the anticipated impact of the LRT project on park facilities. There is a chance to comment on the work of that committee by responding to a survey throughout the month of February. The link to the survey is on the BMNA website.

The Southwest LRT Minneapolis Station Area Strategic Planning Document has been finalized and posted on the Southwest Transitway website. The document will be available for public comment until the end of February. This document includes specifics directly related to the development of the Penn Station and surrounding area.

If you have any comments or questions, you can contact Barry Schade at 377-8152.

Worried About Foreclosure?

If you feel like you may be in danger of facing foreclosure, the time to call 888-995-HOPE™ is now. The Homeowner's HOPE™ Hotline is a counseling service provided by the Homeownership Preservation Foundation to work with you to find a solution to your problem. The sooner you call, the sooner you can regain your peace of mind. Remember, you're not alone.

The hotline provides counseling, free of charge, in English and 170 other languages, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year.

Two other resources:

Twin Cities Habitat For Humanity 612-331-4090

http://www.tchabitat.org/content/category/6/34/28/

Minnesota Homeownership Center http://www.hocmn.org/stayinyourhome.cfm

Thank You Crossroads Residential Aftercare!

Treceived a call from a neighbor in December after the 18 inches **⊥**of snow fell. She explained that she had been in a car accident and was unable to shovel her sidewalk and asked if there was anyone in the neighborhood that could help her. I called Crossroads Residential Aftercare and they shoveled her sidewalk, frontwalk and driveway the next morning. We are very fortunate to have Crossroads in our neighborhood. They have been a tremendous help each year at the Annual Ice Cream Social and this past spring and summer with garden projects in the neighborhood.

- Patty Wycoff, Area 5

Anwatin Community Education is offering the following session this winter:

A Guide to Raising Sexually Healthy Children

Facilitated by Lutheran Social Service of MN Outre a ch Educators

Monday, February 7, 6:30-8:00pm

Wednesday, February 9, 6:30-8:00pm Anwatin Middle School FREE!

"It's That Easy!" sessions support parents and guardians in their ever-changing role as sexuality educators of their infants, young children, pre-teens and teens. While the questions and concerns change with age, the goal remains the same: to raise well-informed young people who make healthy decisions throughout their lives. "It's That Easy!" provides guidance on a variety of important parent/child conversations—from how to respond to straightforward questions about body parts, to how to broach more complex issues such as media influences and personal values. "It's That Easy!" tackles the tough questions and empowers parents to connect with their kids, share their family's values and engage in meaningful conversations about sex.

Please pre-register as space is limited to 30 participants. Register online at commed.mpls.k12.mn.us or by calling Jenny Pilon at 612-668-2470.



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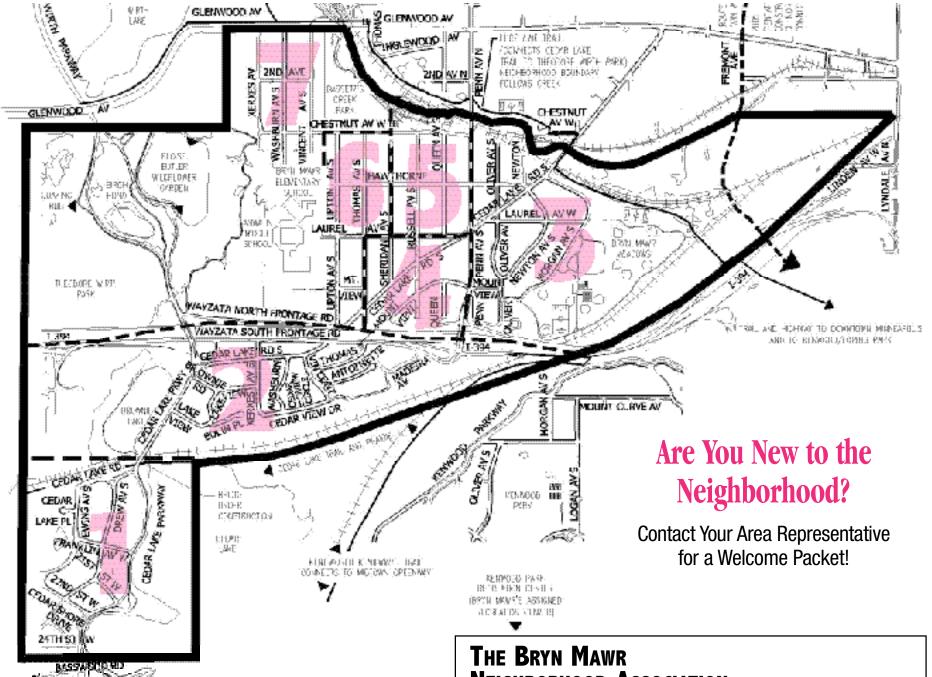
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