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# **Severe Weather Downs Trees and Power Lines**

n Friday, June 21, a sudden, powerful storm ripped through Bryn Mawr causing extensive property damage. It lasted less than an hour, but the combination of strong winds, heavy rain and saturated ground from a very wet spring, resulted in trees being uprooted and blown down onto power lines, into the streets and onto yards, cars, and homes/garages. There were no reports of serious injury but many homes were impacted. Most of the neigh-

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# Residents have several options to get rid of tree debris from the storm

While Park Board and City crews are working to clear downed trees from streets, many residents are also dealing with tree damage on their property. There are several options for folks to either drop off their debris, or get it ready for crews to pick it up and haul it away.

#### Tree debris drop-off

Minneapolis residents may bring yard tree debris to two locations, one in north Minneapolis and one in Fort Snelling, between June 24 and 29 for hauling and processing by the Park Board. The north Minneapolis location is the Metro Wood Recycling Site at 33rd Avenue North and North 2nd Street, open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and 8 a.m. to Noon Saturday. The south location is at 6200 Bloomington Rd, Fort Snelling (adjacent to the Park Board's golf course) from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and 8 a.m. to Noon Saturday. These sites will discontinue accepting public tree debris at Noon on Saturday, June 29. This service is for property owners clearing their property of tree debris after storm damage only-it is not for contractors doing work for property owners or for regular tree pruning. It is only for tree debris,

borhood lost power. Traffic signals and neighborhood businesses were dark for three days. Surrounding areas were similarly affected and neighbors faced a long, precarious drive though obstructed streets and uncontrolled intersections to find provisions and electricity to charge phones and other devices.

Residents are reminded that the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board maintains the boulevard trees, but trees on private property are the responsibility of the homeowner. The City of Minneapolis website has posted some information about some debris removal options. (see below)



July 2013

#### Regular yard waste collection for smaller branches

Residents with small branches and pieces of brush can use the regular weekly Solid Waste & Recycling yard waste collection service to have them picked up. Crews will pick up bundles of brush and small branches that are less than three inches in diameter and less than three feet long. Here's how to get them ready for pickup:

- Bundle them securely with twine or rope. Do not use wire.
- Each bundle must be less than 3 feet long.
- Each bundle must weigh less than 40 pounds. Make sure to have the bundles of yard waste at your alley or curb line, next to the garbage cart, by 6 a.m. on your garbage day.

#### Tree debris collection

Park Board crews will collect tree debris that can be brought to the boulevard beginning July 1 through July 12 for properties affected by the storm This service is for property owners clearing their property of tree debris after storm damage only—it is not for contractors doing work for property owners or for regular tree pruning. It is only for tree debris, not construction or other materials.

Here's how residents in the area can prepare downed trees and branches for collection:

• Move larger limbs, branches, and trunks to the boulevard area in front of your house. Park Board crews will pick up and dispose of these

• Property owners adjacent to tree debris placed on the boulevard are asked not to park vehicles near the debris, to help crews in the removal process. "No parking" signs may be posted and enforced to facilitate the cleanup operation.

#### Tree contractors

Since there are so many downed trees in yards throughout the city, many residents will be looking for a contractor to take care of the problem. It's important to make sure the tree company you use is licensed, because unlicensed companies may not be insured for damage they might cause to your property, and their workers may not be properly trained to protect themselves and your property from damage. Here are some things residents should know when choosing a tree company:

• To find out if a tree service contractor is licensed in Minneapolis, look at the list on the City's website.

• A licensed contractor must submit a copy of a written estimate to the property owner for approval prior to any work to be performed.

• Licensed Tree Service contractors have marked vehicles and display a City of Minneapolis license decal.

• Licensed Tree Service contractors maintain insurance in the event of damage to your property, your neighbors' property, or if anyone is

# 2013 Ice Cream Scoop-Off Tuesday, July 16, 6:00-8:00 pm On Cedar Lake Road in front of Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

he Bryn Mawr Neighborhood Association will host the annual Ice Cream Scoop Off event in downtown Bryn Mawr on Tuesday, July 16. This tasty event begins at 6pm with samplings of ice cream followed by dancing in the street to the music of The Saddle Sores. After tasting each flavor, you will choose you favorite. The winner will be announced at the end of the event. Bring a donation to assist with the costs of the event or just bring yourself. We look forward to seeing all of you!

- Patty Wycoff, Neighborhood Coordinator

injured on the job site.

# Hi Bryn Mawr

The SW LRT folk have created a social network/web page where you can access a program that allows you to comment on any of the 17 stations on the SW LRT line. This will give everyone a chance to look at and comment, for instance, on the Penn Avenue Station and on the Van White Station, both of which are located in Bryn Mawr. I hope you will take the opportunity to review and comment. The more we hear from the neighbors, the better the stations will serve all of us.

#### the web site is: SWBeyondthe Rails.com.

- Vida Y. Ditter, Area 6



#### BRYN MAWR NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, June 12, 2013 7:00– 8:45 PM Bryn Mawr Elementary

#### **Call to Order and Introductions**

Meeting called to order and introductions were made.

#### Those attending are as following:

Board Members: Marlin Possehl-President; Sandra Gay-Secretary; Chris Kirwan-Area 4; Vita Ditter-Area 6; Jay Peterson-Area 6. Visitors: Lisa Goodman-Minneapolis City Council; Debbie Fischer; Dylan Thomas-SW Journal; Matt Stark-Area 4.

#### **Approval of Consent Agenda**

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



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#### City update: Councilmember Lisa Goodman

Lunch with Lisa on June 26th features Park Board Member Anita Tabb as the presenter.

A regional park-like expansion of Bryn Mawr Meadows will occur in 5 Years. Rugby and other sports will be added. The neighborhood should get involved to voice opinions.

This week is Bike to Work Week. Remember to register bikes with City of Minneapolis by calling 311.

Secret City Festival is a night of art and music at four sites. Convention Center Plaza will feature a large sculpture, water and light involved in presentation. Saturday night, July 22nd, will be opening.

700 people attended NUSA. It presented a good opportunity to interact with people from other cities and they were generally impressed with Minneapolis. There were 16 tours within the City.

Light Rail-Co-location of the LRT and freight train is one of the options being studied. As a result some Cedar Shores town homes and some single family homes may be condemned and taken for ROW. An estimated 85 houses may be affected by co-location.

Penn Avenue-Just getting started for 20 year project for improvements along Penn Avenue. The project involves transportation, beautification and economic development. It will be associated with the Bottineau LRT.

#### Update on Accent memorial-

The committee is continuing to meet. Kathryn Kaatz heads it up.

Weekly Meetings of Alcoholics Anonymous

are held at Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church,

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

All interested people are invited to attend.

#### Patty Wycoff, NC activity report-

Membership and directory need to be mailed.

#### Treasurer's report-

Liz will continue as Treasurer until someone is found to replace her. Total amount in bank is \$58,000.

### LRT Project updates

Hennepin Co CAC/BAC - Jay-The co-location and relocation options were presented. Elevated and shallow tunnels won't work; however, on-grade and elevated options do seem feasible. Cost options will be presented to Met Council at Aug meeting. For Cedar Lake Park, at-grade crossings with bike trails is one option. Another is to elevate both freight and LRT. Bryn Mawr should show up to future public meetings like the St. Louis Park/Kenwood people do. Business advisory committee needs to be a stronger advocate for Penn Station. The rep will be contacted for a meeting.

#### Hennepin County Community Works project for Penn Ave – Jay

Penn Avenue Corridor project is looked upon as a generator for economic development as well as beautifying the area. It will take 18 months for mission statement. Committee from Bryn Mawr has been organized.

#### **Standing Committee Reports**

Land Use Committee Report— Jay Board should discuss if we will continue this committee. It has bylaws and rules of conduct. The purpose is to meet with homeowners who have requested a variance. Role may change to oversight of development. Jay, Barry and Vida may meet to discuss. Van White is mostly in BM and with opening in fall we should have a welcoming ceremony.

Adjournat 8:45 p.m.

#### NEXT BOARD MEETING:

Wed, July 10, 2013 7:00 p.m., Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

**UPCOMING EVENTS:** 

Membership Drive/Directory Ice Cream Scoop Off 6:00 pm, Tue, July 16th





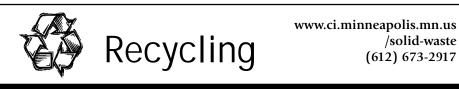
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Areas 2, 3, 4E, 5E		July 2 July 16 July 30

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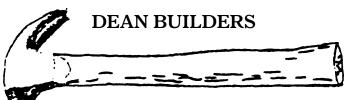




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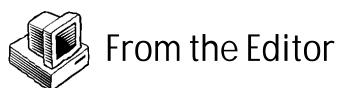
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T'm afraid I have more sad news to report. The day after my father's funeral, we lost our friend and neighbor, Amy Morris. Amy was only 47 years old and her death is a tragic loss.

Even as she valiantly battled an aggressive cancer, she was an example to us all. She was always the one to offer to help. She never stopped attending community events, volunteering at school, and coordinating mother-daughter outings. She was a beautiful, stylish woman whose genuine caring and sense of fun was an inspiration.

When her illness necessitated quitting her job and travelling out of state to seek treatment, she was the reluctant recipient of so much love and generosity. I am not sure she ever really understood how much joy it gave us to be able to help her in some small way. And if what we were able to do, contributed in any way to her surviving four times the original prognosis, we are all just as grateful as she was.

I know there are so many others who knew her better and longer, but she made me feel special, important, and included.

She leaves behind two amazing daughters. Like her they are warm, witty, energetic and fun. They share her frank pragmatism, compassionate heart and her ease with people. I am reluctant to mention her husband, because I don't want to make him uncomfortable or cause him any additional pain. He always gave Amy all the credit for his happy family. But from what I have seen, he is a wonderful dad. Amy had great taste and high standards. I hope he knows that she would never have accepted anything but the best for her girls and I take that as a ringing endorsement of him as a parent.

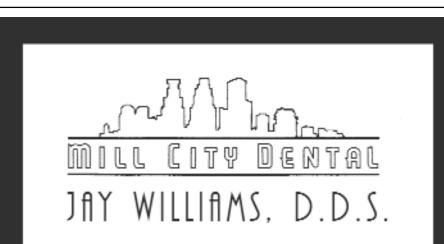
Patty Wycoff wrote an eloquent tribute which you can read on the next page, but I anguished for days about what to title it. When I asked my 14-year old daughter, she said without hesitation, "Bryn Mawr's favorite mama". How does it make me feel to know that my own child thinks this? -grateful. I am so glad Amy shared her vibrant spirit with us and proud that my daughter appreciates how wonderful she was.

On Amy's tribute website (amysuemorris.com) her dear friend, LouAnn wrote this profound truth about Amy: "Once in a lifetime – if you're lucky – you meet someone that makes you truly want to be better. A better mother, a better woman, a better friend, a better person." I hope you will take time read more on her memorial website, and share your own story of how this special neighbor touched your life. *JoEllyn Banfield Jolstad, bugle@bmna.org* 

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"I wake each morning torn between a desire to save the world and a desire to savor the world. This makes it very hard to plan the day" *-E.B.White*-

s I sit here writing this piece the Summer Solstice is right around the corner marking the day we start our slow descent into the darkness of Winter. And you were wondering why I took a mental health break from Counter Talk last month? Oh well, might as well enjoy the mosquitoes..er..the sunshine while it lasts.

#### Parting is such sweet..

In the midst of the past month's gloom, two familiar Bryn Mawr faces left this mortal coil. One of the highlights of last winter was the successful benefit for Amy Morris to raise funds for her chemo treatments. The community opened up their hearts and wallets big time. Sadly, Amy has left us and her sweet countenance will be missed. Life goes on and Hugh Morris still has two young children to support. The Bryn Mawr Market, which just concluded raising \$1,000 for Second Harvest through the counter spare change jar, is now collecting money for the Morris family.

Sue McLean was internationally acclaimed as the most successful independent female promoter in the music industry. She wasn't a very good self-promoter. I could have taught her a lot about self-promotmuch I didn't know about her. At her funeral service at a packed Basilica of St. Mary's, I was stunned by how many people she touched from big name musicians to preteen girls through her Tween Town music camps. She invited me out to sell my magnets at the Zoo Concert seven years ago and, believe me, all her "Zoo family" sorely miss her. Live music is indeed, good for your soul! Thank you Sue, thank you Amy for illuminating us with your time spent on this planet.

#### ...and the band plays on..

It's great to see someone inducted into a Hall of Fame without a whisper of performance enhancing drugs! We're talking the newest member of the Minnesota Music Hall of Fame, Dennis Spears! Living in the shadows of the amazing Marlin Possehl, President of the Bryn Mawr Neighborhood Association, the shy perf o mer has made quite a name for himself on the local music scene. Congratulations to a very deserving, truly dynamic singer/dancer/actor!

Karen and I have two new roommates (three if you count Louis the rat). Alexei Moon Casselle and his daughter, Pelagia, have brought their traveling vaudeville show to our humble abode. Alexei is part of three musical entities, Kill the Vultures, Mixed Blood Majority, and a French collaboration called Numbers not Names. He will be touring Europe in July with Kill the Vultures and as part of "Numbers not Names". Both he and Pela appear in the latest Blue Dot furniture catalog. Pela badly upstages Pops in that one. Get use to it man, this kids a comer!

#### Before I cut out...

Remember the big, annual, not to be missed Ice Cream Scoop off! This is where diets are destroyed and a good time is had by all. Music, dancing (don't be scared of the crazy old guy busting a move, he's mostly harm-

# **Farewell to a Beloved Neighbor**

my Morris, Area 5, passed away on June 11th, 2013. Amy was diagnosed with Stage 4 lung cancer in October 2010. As a non-smoker, Amy and her family were shocked by her diagnosis, but she fought hard for more than 2 1/2 years.

The Morris Family has lived in Bryn Mawr for 17 years. They have been strong supporters of the neighborhood schools and the neighborhood association. Amy served as president of the PTA at Bryn Mawr Elementary for 4 years and their family has attended all of the BMNA annual events. Amy appreciated the strong community we have in Bryn Mawr.

You can, visit

http://www.amysuemorris.com to view her obituary, share a story about her and get information about a celebration of her life on September 7.

Amy leaves behind her husband of 18 years, Hugh, and 2 daughters, Quinn(14) and Charlotte(7). In lieu of flowers, please



send donations to the Morris Family at:

Wells Fargo C/O Amy Morris Benefit Account 615 N 7TH ST MINNEAPOLIS, MN, 55411

It was a privilege to call Amy my friend. Her warmth and courage were an inspiration. Amy was a treasure to many in Bryn Mawr. She will be missed. - Patty Wycoff, Area 5

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ing. All the years I knew Sue, working with her on the short-lived Bryn Mawr Music Festival, there was so less), and of course lots of ice cream. Summer has finally arrived, it's time to get out and savor the heck out of it!

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#### NPP Coordinator (Board position)

Help create Neighborhood Priority Plans (NPP) and request funds to support neighborhood initiatives.

#### Schools Committee Representative: Areas 1 & 7

This committee meets 4 times per year. You do not need to have children in school yet to serve on this committee.

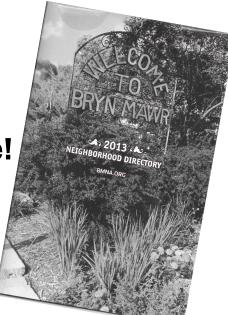
#### Webmaster

BMNA is looking for someone to manage/update our website each month.

# BMNA The 2013 Bryn Mawr Neighborhood Directory is Here!

he new BMNA directories have been mailed to each residence in Bryn Mawr. We hope you will find this to be a valuable gift from the neighborhood association. We request that you do not share the information in the directory. This was created to connect neighbors and strengthen relationships with your neighbors. We hope you will take the time to look through the directory. Many of our local businesses purchased advertising space. This helped to offset the cost of creating, printing and mailing the directory and promotes our great, local businesses.

Shortly following the arrival of your directory, you will receive our 2013 Membership Drive letter and envelope. This letter high



lights our 2012 accomplishments, events and encourages you to support BMNA with a tax deductible contribution. Please go to bmna.org and use PayPal or use the envelope provided to make your contribution.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

- Patty Wycoff, Neighborhood Coordinator

# **COORDINATOR CORNER**

#### My name is Patty Wycoff and I am the Bryn Mawr Neighborhood Association Coordinator. Feel free to contact me at organizer@bmna.org or 612-377-4565.

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# Bryn Mawr Neighborhood Association Calendar - July 2013

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, (Ends June 4, 2013) unless otherwise noted.

Sunday	Monday 1	Tuesday 2	Wednesday 3	Thursday Independence Day 4 Holiday	Friday 5	Saturday 6
7	8	9	July 10 BMNA 10 monthly meeting, 7pm @ Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church	11	12	13

14	15	July 16 Ice Cream 16 Scoop Off, 6-8pm on Cedar Lake Rd	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	BMNA meetings moved to Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church during Minneapolis Public Schools summer break. (June 5-August 25, 2013)		

# Southwest LRT -Bryn Mawr Alert

The time is fast approaching for the Metropolitan Council L to decide (final decision makers on the matter) what alignment the SWLRT should take as it wends its way from Eden Prairie into the City of Minneapolis. Their choice will impact Bryn Mawr and its immediate neighbors - Kenwood, East and West Lowrie, Cedar, Isles, Dean (CIDNA). We need Bryn Mawr residents to become actively involved, offering ideas and opinions. If we do not speak up, others will, and decisions will be made which will impact Bryn Mawr longterm, and not necessarily for the better. Now is the last chance for stating preferences and being heard!

The Bryn Mawr Neighborhood Association has, from the beginning of the SWLRT process, supported the re-location of the freight line to St. Louis Park. Bryn Mawr has also advocated strongly for a Penn Avenue Station, arguing that this station is important to Bryn Mawr residents as well as being the station that is the gateway to the Minneapolis Parks' Ground Rounds.

This station is currently scheduled to be built along the Cedar Lake Trail on the north side of Cedar Lake and alongside the freight line at the end of Penn Avenue. Bryn Mawr residents would access the station via a bridge from the top of the embankment by Jofee Laser, then take an elevator down to the station platform. If no station is built, Bryn Mawr residents on the east side of the neighborhood would not be able to access Cedar Lake Trail from Penn Avenue, as we currently do by illegally crossing the freight lines to get to the Cedar Lake Trail, as the LRT builds fences along its lines to keep pedestrians off the tracks. Bryn Mawr would be blocked from the parks and

Cedar Lake Trail at this end of the neighborhood.

During the Draft Environmental Impact Study completed when Hennepin County applied for Federal Funds for construction of this line, the Locally Preferred Alignment, determined through Public Meetings, engineering studies and expense comparisons was an alignment that would put the light rail through the Kenilworth Corridor (with the clear understanding that the freight line that currently runs through that Corridor would then move to the freight line in St. Louis Park).

However, the Feds, even as they approved the SWLRT project directed that vehement and organized concerns raised by St. Louis Park and its residents about the freight line being relocated through their neighborhood should be addressed. This necessitated the redo of engineering studies to assess cost and impact and alternatives for both relocating the freight train from the Kenilworth Corridor to the freight corridor in St. Louis Park AND studying the impact of co-location (adding the light rail to the existing freight line) in the Kenilworth Corridor.

At a public meeting on June 13th, 2013, the SWLRT team offered the various alternatives for the light rail. Please go to <u>http://www.metrocouncil.org/Transportation/Projects/Current-Projects/Southwest-LRT/Publications-And-Resources/Event-Flyers/Public-Open-Houses-Southwest-LRT-Station-Locations.aspx web site for the most accurate portrayal of the alternatives presented.</u>

Six designs for co-location of the SWLRT in the Kenilworth Trail have been offered.

The six co-location concepts being presented involve the following in the Kenilworth Corridor:

• Building LRT tracks along the freight tracks and trail, with all modes at ground level.

- Relocating the trail out of the corridor between the Midtown Greenway and
- Cedar Lake Parkway.
- Elevating the trail.Elevating the LRT tracks.
- Building a shallow tunnel for LRT tracks.
- Building deep twin tunnels, with one tunnel for each LRT track. Of the six designs, both tunnel

concepts would necessitate destroying the townhouse complex (about 68 homes) west of the Kenilworth Corridor and just south of Cedar Lake Road as the freight line is temporarily moved east while the tunnels are built. This is fact, the engineers have confirmed this.

Building the LRT tracks at the same level as the freight line and the Trail would also necessitate about 68 homes being destroyed as the Corridor is too narrow at this point and at a couple of other points to accommodate all these modes of transportation. Also with this design, there would need to be a bridge over the freight line to accommodate the Kenilworth Trail as it joins the Cedar Lake Trail (freight does not permit at grade crossing by bicycles). This is fact, engineers have confirmed this.

Raising the LRT (high in the sky) would be extremely expensive, though doable, with stairs and elevators for each of the stops on the line. The cost for this design will not be available till later this summer. But, it has been confirmed that this is costly.

And, raising the Kenilworth Trail is not practical, because it would be so hard to users to access and get off it at will, there would need to be multiple stairs/elevators along the raised trail to permit frequent access. This is opinion, but a practical outcome of the design.

Finally, moving the Kenilworth Trail to another location entirely is not desirable. In the 20 years of its existence, ridership on this trail has grown steadily (well overeach year so that it has become a very heavily used access to the Cedar Lake Trail, the first Commuter Trail in the country. The combined trips on these two trails is over a million a year. Finally, the only other route being discussed for the relocation of this trail, would take it along city streets with cars running alongside the route – not a very safe bicycle option. The current Kenilworth Trail is entirely off street into the city, except for a street crossing at the south end of Cedar Lake. Again, this is opinion, but shared by the many who use this Trail.

Finally, these options would take a portion of Cedar Lake Park on its east side, as the LRT is run in the Kenilworth Trail.

Finally, and this is an opinion. Bryn Mawr and the City neighborhoods paid a very heavy price when I-394 was built and then expanded. Over 200 homes were destroyed to make room for this freeway. We, in Bryn Mawr, live with the noise and air pollutions, as traffic either thunders by or is stalled on the highway, the impeded access to downtown. Bryn Mawr, acquiesced in the building of I-394, even as it cut through the middle of the neighborhood, because it offered benefits to the larger good, better access to the city from the west. However, we worked very actively with the Powers-To-Be on that project to mitigate the negative impacts – the road bed has been lowered, road surface is the most quiet, etc. But the negative impacts still exist.

It still seems to me and to others who have been working on the SWLRT that the time has come for other neighborhoods to bear some of the costs of moving people from the west into the city and city folk out to jobs in the west. That Bryn Mawr has paid enough for the greater good of this region.

- Vida Y. Ditter, Area 6



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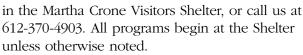
oin us for a mid-summer foray into the forests and fields at the Eloise Butler Wildflower Garden and Bird Sanctuary. Stroll under the dense woodland canopy to escape the summer heat or walk through the sunny prairie and enjoy the many blossoms there. Watch birds flit about busy feeding their young. See evidence of pollinators' efforts as flowers turn to fruit; many berries and seeds begin to ripen throughout the Garden in July. Enjoy the longer daylight hours with an evening walk along the trails. It is a beautiful time of year to enjoy what the Garden has to offer.

Every weekend and on Tuesday and Thursday evenings Eloise Butler Wildflower Garden Naturalists offer free Garden Highlights Nature Hikes at the Garden. Learn about the latest blossoms and birds on these fabulous (and free!) explorations of the Garden. Each Saturday morning at 7:30am a free birding program is offered for new and experienced bird watchers. It's a wondefful opportunity to spend time in the field with a seasoned group of birders.

Themed tours on a variety of natural history topics are available on weekends. These programs will delve a little deeper into particular subjects like Minnesota native tree identification, birding skills, wildflower identification and more. Special classes take things a step further bringing local specialists into the Garden to teach you about the wonders of nature within the Garden gates. Please see the calendar and program descriptions for more information.

For three weeks in July a Game Trail will be set up throughout the Garden. Stop in the Visitors Shelter for a map, game card, and clipboard then head out on the trail. Pick an animal, answer questions about that animal, collect points for the right answers and find out if you survived the year! Call 612-370-4903 for dates and more information.

Program Registration: Go online to www.min-<br/>neapolisparks.org to register using ActiveNet, stopSunday, July 7<br/>1:00-1:30pm



**Garden Information and Inquiries:** To ask Garden related questions or to inquire about plants in bloom and recent bird sightings please stop by the Martha Crone Visitors Shelter or call 370-4903 during Shelter hours.

**Garden Hours:** The Garden is open daily from April 1st to October 15th from 7:30am to 1/2 hour before sunset.

#### Martha Crone Visitors Shelter Hours:

Mon. - Sat.: 10:00am to 1 hour before sunset Sunday: Noon to 1 hour before sunset **Directions:** The Eloise Butler Wildflower Garden and Bird Sanctuary is located 1/2 mile north of I-394 on Theodore Wirth Parkway. Metro Transit bus route 9 stops at Glenwood Avenue and Theodore Wirth Parkway, just a two-block walk to the Garden entrance.

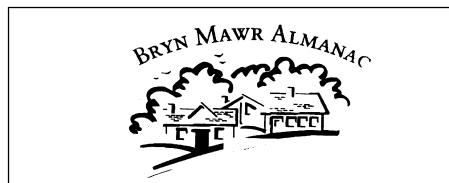
**Extras:** The Garden has Family Adventure Backpacks that you and your family are welcome to borrow during your visit to the Garden! These backpacks are filled with activities your family can do together while visiting the Garden. Check out our nature backpack or our birding backpack!

You can also borrow one of our Garden Scavenger Hunts for a fun way to explore the Garden with your family. Came to the Garden and forgot your binoculars? No need to worry, we have binoculars for you to borrow! Ask at the Martha Crone Visitors Shelter for more details. **Parking Information:** The Garden parking lot is a pay lot with metered parking and permit parking. If you have a Minneapolis Parks Parking Permit sticker, you may park in any non-metered parking space. If you park in a metered space, you must pay in quarters (75 cents buys an hour of parking time) regardless of whether you have a parking permit or not. The Garden does not provide quarters for patron use.

#### **Public Programs and Tours - July 2013**

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#### **Special Classes**

#### **Bumblebee Surveys**

Saturday, July 13, 11-12:30pm Sunday, July 21, 2-3:30pm Saturday, August 3rd 11-12:30pm Sunday, August 18, 2-3:30pm Cost: Free

Volunteer with an entomologist from the University of Minnesota's Bee Lab to gently catch, identify, and release bumblebees. Find out how many bumble bee species are in our Garden and search for the seldom seen rusty-patch bumble bee!

Honeybees and their relatives with Community Bees on Bikes Sunday, July 21st, 12:30pm – 2:00pm Cost: \$30/person

This is your opportunity to safely explore a working beehive—we'll suit you up and guide you through a hive. Meet the queen, see the brood, and, if the hive is ready, taste honey straight from the bees! Community Bees on Bikes will lead the program and provide the necessary protective gear MINUS footwear so please WEAR SHOES OR BOOTS THAT COVERS ALL SKIN.

- July 4, 2012 High 101°. Swimming at White Bear Lake. With a wet spring this lake is up, but still much lower than its historical level, thought to be related to depletion of an underlying aquifer.
- July 12, 2001 The "evening star" in the southern sky is Mars. Distinctly red/orange in color. Among the planets, only Venus is brighter.
- July 18, 2011 Fifteen pound meteorite lands in Tissint, Morocco, accompanied by a sonic boom and a fireball. Chemical analysis showed it originated from Mars, when an impact launched a bunch of similar rocks free of Martian gravity about 7000 years ago. This meteorite was tiny compared to one that landed in Russia 6 months later.
- July 22, 2013 Full moon, the Ojibwe midsummer moon. Ready to start making pickles from the cukes and dill in my garden. It's easy--put them in a tall glass jar and add water, vinegar, salt, and garlic. Keep at room temperature for 5-7 days, then put in the fridge.

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3:00-4:00pm Quaking

5:00-5:30pm Weekend

8:45-9:45pm New Moon

Creatures of the Night

Wildflower Walk

Monday, July 8th

Tour \$5 per per-

Bog Tour

#### Photography classes led by Erin Hartman Introduction to Photography in the Garden

The seminars are stand-alone experiences, so feel free to pick and choose according to your experience and interest or take the whole series. Each seminar is about 2 hours long and includes a lecture, related exercises to be completed in the Garden and a question and answer period. The series is designed for those with a digital SLR camera, but film photographers are welcome. Please wear sturdy shoes and comfortable clothing. Color & Light – July 18th, 6:30pm-8:30pm Cost: \$20/person

This seminar explores the quality of light and color temperatures you will encounter in the Garden and how time of day and time of year affect your light and color. The exercises will include opportunities to search for and capture different qualities of light and to better understand color temperature by using your camera's white balance capabilities.

For more information on Erin go to: erinandtroy photography www.erinandtroy.com

# Drawing on Nature

#### July 2013, Seventh in a Series Tuberous Begonia and Caladium

ummer bulbs include Calla Lily, Canna, Dahlia, Gladiolus, Tuberous Begonia, and Caladium. All of these should have been planted by late May or June. Two shade tolerant plants arising from tubers are Tuberous Begonia and Caladium. Both of these are grown for mass plantings or as specimen plants in containers. This summer, I'm experimenting with growing these plants from dormant tubers. Tuberous Begonia (Begonia x tuberhybrida) Begonia Family, 12" to 20" tall Tuberous Begonias are available in single or double forms of flowers. Compared with the limited choices of white, red and pink flowers for Fibrous Begonias, Tuberous Begonia flowers burst forth in red, orange, yellow, white, salmon and pink hues. Petals may be accented with margins or spots of a contrasting color in single and double blooms that may be plain, frilly, or ruffled or toothed. Tuberous Begonias delight throughout summer with long bloom periods. Planting applications include containers, hanging baskets, and flower beds.

The best planting location is one that is well-drained, shaded from summer's hot sun, and protected from wind. Good indirect light, dappled sunlight, early morning or late afternoon sun are recommended light conditions. Tuberous Begonias are not drought tolerant and must be watered when rainfall is insufficient. Allow soil to dry slightly before watering. Feed plants with a dilute fertilizer during the growing season.

Starting Tuberous Begonias is a bit more difficult than starting seeds or canna bulbs. For best results, start tubers indoors in late winter or early spring. Plants grown from domant tubers require about three months of development before flowering. To start Tuberous Begonias, place tubers in a shallow flat of light planting medium such as peat moss or vermiculite. Examine tubers for the slight depression or hollow that marks the top of the tuber. Place tubers within the medium so that it just barely covers them. To prevent decay, keep planting medium moist but not wet; and do not let water accumulate in the hollow at the top of the tuber. Maintain temperatures at 70 degrees and provide indirect light. Neither grow lights nor bright light are needed during this stage. Slow, gradual growth should commence. First, roots develop from all surfaces of the tuber. Then stems will sprout from the top of the tuber. With luck, stems should reach one inch in height after one month. At this point, tubers should be carefully transplanted to their final container; and bright, supplemental light is required.

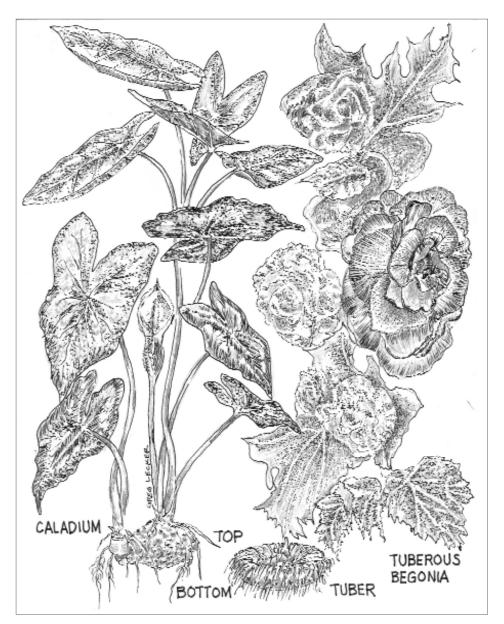
Before moving containers or plants to their final locations, harden off plants by slowly transitioning them to outdoor conditions. Move plants outdoors to a protected, shaded location on warm days; but bring them indoors before cooler nighttime temperatures descend. By early June, when frost danger has passed and soil temperatures have warmed, plants may be moved to their final locations.

Management of number of plant stems will control number and size of blooms. Thinning of stems may be required depending on final planting location. The fewer the number of stems, the fewer the number of larger blooms will develop. Remaining stems will grow taller; and these thinned plants might be appropriate for larger containers. The greater the number of stems, the greater the number of smaller blooms will develop. These plants are most appropriate for bedding plants and for hanging baskets. Pinching of stems in early June will maintain a dense, bushy plant.

Over time, Begonia tubers will continue to increase in size, and in the resulting number of plant stems. However, unlike Canna tubers, one cannot divide begonia tubers to propagate one's favorite plants. One can root stem cuttings – not the simplest form of plant propagation for beginning or even experienced gardeners.

Tubercus Begonias originated from species native to tropical South America and southern Africa. The origin of these bulbs reminds one that these bulbs are not cold hardy in Minnesota and so these must be removed before frost. **Caladium (Caladium bicolor) Arum Family (Araceae), up to 2' tall** Caladium are also known as Elephant Ears and Angel Wings. Though leaves of Caladium and Coleus resemble each other, the plants are not related.

More than one-thousand different cultivars have been bred for distribution from Caladium found naturally in Central America, Peru and the Amazon River region of Brazil. There, in open areas of forest and riverbank, Caladium alternatively grow during the rainy season and go dormant during the dry season. The flower arrangement reflects signature characteristics of plants of the Arum family – a reproductive structure called a spadix enclosed within a protective sheath or hood, called a spaethe. Other Arum family members with similar flower forms include Skunk Cabbage, Jackin-the-Pulpit, Wild Calla, Calla Lily, and the house plant, Peace Lily. As distinctive as the flower structure is, however, Caladium is not grown for its blooms, but rather, for its variegated and tropical-looking foliage. Leaf shape varies from nearly heart-shaped ("fancy-leaved") to lance-shaped ("lance-leaved").



Leaves are often variegated in various patterns in hues of green, white, red and pink. Leaf patterns include contrasting borders, spots, veins, and midribs. Plants grown in shade exhibit darker colors than when plants receive full sun.

Planting medium must be welldrained and contain high amounts of organic matter. In addition, acidic conditions are required in the pH range of 5.5 to 6.5 – relatively acidic soil conditions more common to northern Minnesota than southern Minnesota. Soil pH greater than 7.0 (neutral to alkaline conditions commonly found in southern Minnesota) will reduce growth and discolor foliage. One result of such alkaline conditions is nutrient deficiency.

Planting of tubers outside should be delayed until soil temperatures reach 65 degrees or greater - a threshold that was crossed late this year. Relatively high temperatures of 75 to 80 degrees are optimal for forcing tubers into sprouting. Careful but diligent watering is required. If sprouting is delayed, inspect tubers. Firm tubers are dormant and require increased moisture to break dormancy. Soft and brittle tubers are dead and must be replaced. Though demanding about so many growing conditions, Caladium grow and even prefer partial to full shade! Growing plants in too little light yields smaller leaves and shorter overall height. However, plants grown in too much light will bear nearly solid green colored leaves with little contrasting colors - the result of greater chlorophyll production. Excess nitrogen fertilizer will yield the same outcome.

sible. In fact, overly dry planting medium will trigger dormancy in the tuber. On the other hand, overwatering will rot roots and tuber. Signs of overwatering are leaves and stems that turn tan, drop and die off.

Though not a common problem, insect pests may include mites and aphids, as well as larvae of some butterflies and moths. Wa m growing conditions with poor air circulation may result in rust fungus. Fungicide and correcting growing conditions will address this situation.

Caladiums can be grown indoors and in greenhouses – though tropical conditions of relatively high temperatures and humidity are required. Caladium tubers are most certainly tender perennials, given their tropical origin (Zone 10). Shortly after a killing frost, remove tubers and store for the following year. A caution for gardeners with children and pets: all parts of Caladium are poisonous!

Plants are particularly finicky regarding watering. Inadequate watering results in wilting from which recovery is difficult or impos-

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Get to the root of the matter of bulbs ... it will be worth your effort!

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







# Anwatin's Annie -An Inspiring Finale to the School Year!

n May 31 and June 1, over 60 of Anwatin Middle School's 6th, 7th and 8th grade actors and technicians WOWED audiences with three inspiring and heartwarming performances of the musical Annie, about an optimistic 11-year-old orphan girl whose only wish is to find her parents.





# Who Let The Moms Out?

#### **Eight Bryn Mawr Moms on the Search for Good Books and Food**

#### The Smack Shack 603 N Washington Ave

oth the original Smack Shack food truck parked on Marquette and the Smack Shack fare served at the 1029 Bar in Northeast got rave reviews, so we were looking forward to eating at the new Smack Shack in the North Loop on Washington, close to Target field with convenient valet parking. It's a cavernous warehouse space, with exposed ceiling beams and air ducts, cement floor, lobster traps on shelves above the seating area, The large garage doors were open to the patio; the five of us sat inside just out of the wind and drizzle. We think that helped with noise level. We could hear each other across the large round table. There was great people watching on a May Friday night. It's a hang out for the beautiful crowd; stylish dresses, platform shoes, and lots of women with hair piled high. We started with beer (lots of choices) and wine and lobster guacamole. There were big chunks of lobster on top. It was yummy but expensive at \$16. We also had fried

green tomatoes served with aioli. They were firm, green and tasty, but we all agreed that the breading was too heavy. They really didn't need breading at all.

We each ordered a lobster roll. Three had the Connecticut, which is served warm on a split roll, one had the grilled bread with cold lobster salad, and our gluten sensitive mom ordered hers without bread. We loved them! The spicy hot fries, covered with Old Bay Seasoning, were a hit too. We split salad wedges with blue cheese and bacon, and a Caesar salad. Both were a good compliment to the sandwiches. Our service was good. The manager, John, stopped by to ask how things were. He hopes that guests will love the casual warehouse atmosphere, with red-checkered tablecloths, and the fabulous food. We topped off our experience with Key lime pie. It was served in a mason jar with a hinged lid. Good- tart- with slices of ginger on top. Then it was back to Cuppa Java in Bryn Mawr for coffee and more talk about how lucky we are to have so many great places to eat!



Students began rehearsing April 8, and continued every day for eight weeks with professional artists and quality sound, lighting, sets and costumes. The school musical is one of the key ways in which Project SUC-CESS helps students build confidence, gain new experiences, and learn more about themselves and each other through the power of theater.

Merideth Jolstad, Area 4 played Oliver Warbuck's secretary, Grace Farrell and Eloise Boigenzahn, Area 3 was Rooster Hannigan's girl friend and co-conspirator, Lily St. Regis. Quinn Morris, Area 5 and Emily Abel, Area 4 played orphans and Laurel Struwe, Area 6 and Odessia Schmidt, Area 2 were in the mansion ensemble. Rebekah Matson, Area 6 was on the tech crew.

Congratulations and thank you to all the students, staff, parents and community members who attended the show and helped make it such a success.



# Local Artist's Work Selected for Fringe Festival

ife-long area 7 Bryn Mawr resident Emma Dalen answered the Aphone recently only to find out that she will be living one of her dreams this summer. The MN Fringe was on the other end of the line offering Emma's waitlisted Turtle Muffin Theatre a spot in the Fringe. Emma, soon to be a junior at FAIR School Downtown, is producing, directing, and acting in the play that she has also written. This is the second play produced that has been written by the sixteen year old. Though this is the first time that Emma is producing and directing she is no novice to acting. She has been seen in plays at Stages Theatre Company, Brazen Theatre Company, the 2012 MN Fringe with The Algebra Theater, Blue Water Theatre Company, and both FAIR School Downtown and FAIR School Crystal. Emma has cast seasoned teen actors, also from FAIR School Downtown. "Surprise! You're A Superhero" is a play about a summer camp that trains budding teen superheroes. It is



appropriate for ages 12 and up, or a bit younger if the child is aware of the prejudices against and the battle for LGBT rights. Red Eye Theater will be home to Turtle Muffin Theatre's "Surprise! You're A Superhero!". Tickets may be purchased at the door and on the Minnesota Fringe website. Perf o mance's are... Fri, Aug 2 -10:00 pm, Sun, Aug 4 - 5:30 pm, Thu, Aug 8 - 5:30 pm, Fri, Aug 9 -10:00 pm, and Sat, Aug 10 - 7:00 pm.

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# Graduations 2013

Congratulations to all the Graduates and their families. Good luck in the future as you pursue your dreams!

#### Ava Addison, Area 5

A va Addison, Area 5, graduated from South High School on June 1. Ava plans to attend MCTC in the fall, continue working at her "sweet" job at Cuppa Java and live in Bryn Mawr for the rest of her life. Her parents are Bonnie and Butch Addison.

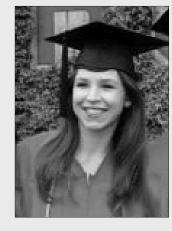


#### Erika Bloomdahl, Area 2

Erika Bloomdahl graduated from Hopkins senior High June 6th. She will be attending the University of Minnesota in the fall, where she plans to study Political and Environmental Science. Her mother is Anne Taylor who lives in Area 2.

### Caroline Jolstad, Area 4

In May, Caroline (CJ) Jolstad graduated cum laude from Boston University with a degree in English. She is a past student of Bryn Mawr Elementary, Anwatin Middle and Southwest High School. She plans to spend the next year working and volunteering. She is home for the summer while she applies to medical schools for fall 2014. Her very proud parents are Deryck and JoEllyn Jolstad.





#### Grant Jolstad, Area 4

It was a year of double celebrations in the Jolstad home when Grant graduated from Southwest High School. He also attended Bryn Mawr Elementary and Anwatin Middle Schools. He spend much of this past year as an intern to Arts Coordinator, Christopher Fisher and was instrumental in the project to rebuild the theatre at North High School. He is the son of Deryck and JoEllyn Jolstad.

#### Maxwell Horn, Area 7

Max Horn graduated from Southwest High School on June 1st. He previously attended Emerson Spanish Immersion and Anwatin Middle School. Max is interested in business and he has a passion for professional sports. He looks forward to studying sports management at Minnesota State University, Mankato. Max's father is Ben Horn and stepmom is Lisa Goodman.





#### Augustine (Gus) Metzdorff, Area 5

A ugustine (Gus) Metzdorff graduated from Southwest High School. Gus ran for the SWHS Lakers Cross Country team and Track and Field team throughout his 4 years of high school. He received All City his Junior and Senior years of Cross Country. In the fall, Gus will be attending the University of Wisconsin-- Stout. He will studying Graphic Design and will be running for the Stout Blue Devils Cross Country and Track teams. His parents of Ben and Jeanine Metzdorff.



#### Cecelia Metzdorff, Area 5 Cecelia Metzdorff graduated from

Southwest High School with Highest Honors and the International Baccalaureate Medallion. She was a member of the National Honor Society. Cecelia was involved in Cross Country and Track and Field throughout her 4 years at SWHS and was a Caption of both teams her senior year. Cecelia was the recipient of a Laker Spirit award. In the fall, Cecelia will be attending DePaul University in Chicago to study Marketing. She is the daughter of Ben and Jeanine Metzdorff.



#### Sylvia Reilly, Area 6

Sylvia Reilly graduated with Highest Honors from South High. While at South, Sylva played oboe for 4 years and sang with the Pop Singers. She traveled on three music tours, and was active in theater all years. She was a Captain State Champion in Ultimate Frisbee and was an active in the Youth in Government Program. Sylvia will be studying Vocal Perf o mance at the University of Minnesota's next fall. She is also interested in studying music therapy as well. This summer, Sylvia will be a counselor at Concordia Language Villages for Spanish. Her parents are Kristin Anderson and Bob Reilly.

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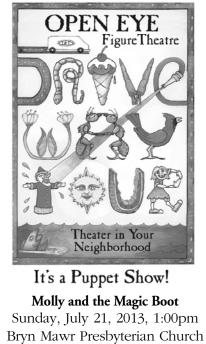
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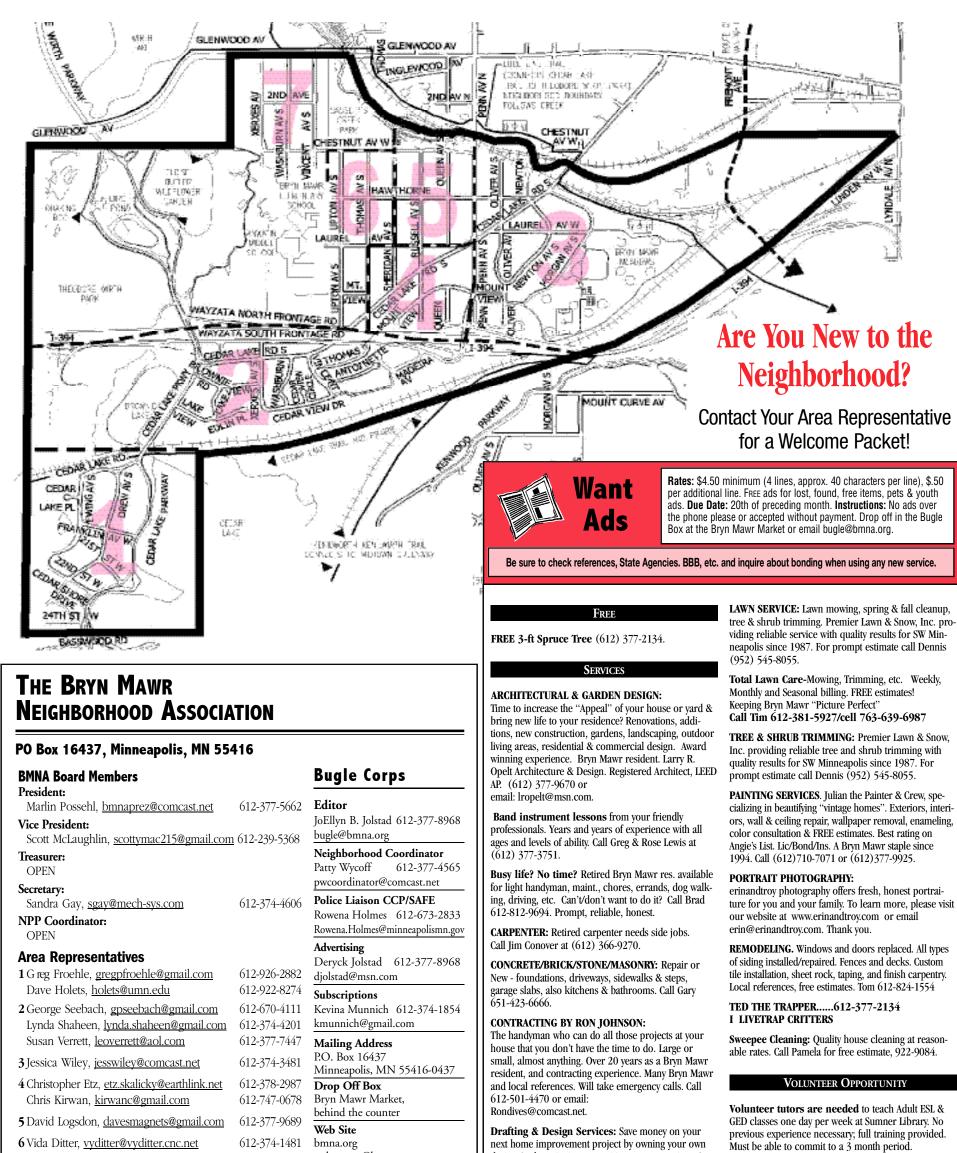
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