

## BRYNGAWR BUGHE

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## **Cedar Lake Road Bridge Updates**

he Cedar Lake Road Bridge Replacement project team conducted community meetings in March and April of 2024. The purpose of this round of engagement was to update community residents on the Cedar Lake Road Bridge closure and re-opening in 2023, and gather feedback on the initial concept layout for the project. Layout enhancements in response to what we heard:

- Additional traffic calming on Cedar Lake Road west of the Morgan Ave intersection through narrowing the street and adding All Ages and
- Abilities bike infrastructure on top of the curb
- Improving sight lines, reduce speeding, and improve pedestrian crossings by removing parking spaces near the Morgan Ave intersection
- The "Modern/Simple" railing design on the bridge deck

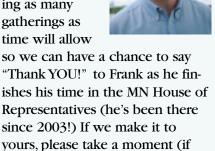


## Minneapolis will Celebrate National Night Out Aug. 6

ational Night Out is a time for City residents to come together and celebrate with neighbors. Many blocks in Minneapolis take this opportunity to reconnect, eat and build relationships while kids play and bike freely on a closed street. Our goal this year is to increase participation.

# The BMNA Active Transportation Committee is excited to host Representative Frank Hornstein on National Night Out, August 6 for a gratitude walk!

be meandering through Bryn Mawr, visiting as many gatherings as time will allow

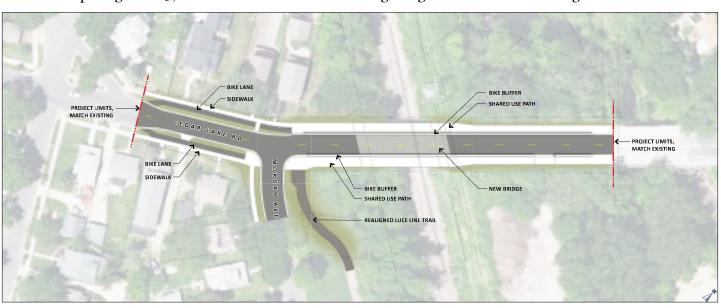


of time!

If you would like us to prioritize your gathering, please let me know (beth.turnbull@bmna.org). We want Frank to know that we've appreciated his public service!

you'd like) to share your thoughts. If we don't, we're sorry we ran out







Bryn Mawr Ice Cream Taste-Off!

Wednesday, July 23, 1997, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Bryn Mawr Ice Cream Social

it turned out so great last

The ingredients include:
- 300-500 people (The better the neighbor, the better the flavor

2-3 musical groups. (Band green outly provided by BMNA)

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year that we're going to try the same recipe.

## Ice Cream Social History

By Jim Hooker, Area 5

he first mention of the Ice Cream Social in the *Bryn Mawr Bugle* is in 1989. It was mentioned in a column by the then brand new pastor of Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church, John Ackerman. In 1995 it became a joint event put on by the church and the BMNA with church volunteers providing homemade cakes and pies and the BMNA and the Market providing ice cream. There is no mention of cake after the July 2000 event and in 2008 it became a BMNA only event. This year, to recognize 100 years of the presence of Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church, church volunteers once again served cake to go along with the ice cream.

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BRYN MAWR NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, July 10 , 2024 6:30– 8:00 PM Hybrid Meeting

#### **Board and Staff**

Brian Treece - President Addie Arnold - Vice President Karen Soderberg -Treasurer Jessica Wiley - Secretary Liv Nielsen - Area 1 OL Sue Verrett - Area 2 Co -Rep Allison Fruen Batzli- Area 3 Co-Rep OL Beth Franzen - Area 4 Co-Rep Joshua Nichols -Area 4 Co-Rep Alec Werning - Area 4 Co-Rep Beth Turnbull - Area 5 Co-Rep Katy Kessler - Area 5 Co-Rep Haven Stephens - Area 6 Co-Rep Drew Quirk- Area 6 Co-Rep Stephen Harvey - Area 7 Co-Rep Michael Scott - Area 9 Co-Rep Jay Peterson - Emeritus Barry Schade - Emeritus Lynda Shaheen - Communication/ **Development Coordinator** Patty Wycoff - Event Coordinator

#### **Guests:**

Alan Kaufman - Area 3 OL Roberta Jordan - Area 6 Zack Kramer - Area 6 Michael Martens - Area 6 Dave Gammell - Area 9 OL - online

## Call to Order at 6:37PM and Introductions

Agenda approval moved, seconded. Motion carried. Minutes from June 14 moved, seconded. Motion carried.

### City of Minneapolis -Councilperson Katie Cashman

Coffee with Katie had a session on July 15th with Rep Frank Hornstein and Senator Scott Dibble to discuss

legislation that affects the city. Additional resources have been allocated for safety. Council vote to approve the MPD police contract on July 18. Council's role is to approve not to negotiate; they control the process for sharing the contract, it is posted publicly online. Hosted listening sessions, two public meetings, door knocking to hear from constituency on the issue. Regarding police accountability, available tools to advance the work of police responsibilities will be used, including Community Commission on Police Oversight, the court enforceable consent decree. The MPD policing manual will become public. Public works has articulated the Cedar Lake Road bridge replacement process. Tours of the LRT Green Line and Blue Line extensions are coming up. Municipal consent given for Modern Well approval as an event space. Joffe building being demolished, currently no proposals for the site. Question about neighborhood associations being on a priority list for funding sent to the mayor, budget coming out August 15. Read updates from Cashman at minneapolismn.gov/ward7

## **Crime Prevention Specialist Report -**

Only property crimes reported for this month. Board and neighbors can view crime stats at minneapolismn.gov/resident-services/public-safety/police-publicsafety/crime-maps-dashboards/crimelocations-map/

### Treasurer Report- Karen Soderberg

Still working on getting Karen as a signer on the bank account.

## Communications & Development Coordinator Report - Lynda Shaheen

Minnesota House 61A Candidate Forum set for July 17. Working on options for website redesign with Jay Peterson; scheduled free consultation with Tech Soup. Met with City of Minneapolis NCR (Neighborhood and Community Relations) contact to review our progress on the Equitable Engagement grant; shared successes and challenges with goal to increase outreach to renters. Monthly meeting with City Council office. Modern Well had a hearing on July 9 on increased capacity for events; welcomes us to use space. Joffe building on South Frontage Road will be torn down this month. The Eloise is hosting a Tour Bryn Mawr on Wednesday, July 24th, from 9 am to 3 pm. BMNA will have a table. Working to schedule SWLRT tour outside the workday. Attended monthly meeting with Katie Cashman's office. Fundraising - Donations to the BMNA stand at \$14,270 of \$20,000 goal.

## **Event Coordinator Report – Patty Wycoff**

Ice Cream Social set for July 25. Will use SignUpGenius for volunteers. Northpoint food shelf donations gathered, and change donated from the Market collection jar. Discussion about sufficient ice cream for all the new neighbors that will be coming.

## **Bugle Report - JoEllyn Jolstad**

The 20th is the deadline for articles/ads.

## Webmaster - Jeremy Staffeld

Store is down, go directly to Lynda Shaheen for purchases.

## **Committee Reports (as needed)**

Schools –Colleen Dhennin
Email report. PTA meeting held to
plan events for next year. Get on
email list to support the next generation. Contact Colleen at (763) 6391868 or colleen.dhennin@bmna.org
Active Transportation- Josh Nichols
Events include July 20 Pedal to Petals
ride, July 26 trip to Trailhead at
Wirth.August playground crawl.
August 6 gratitude walk with Frank
Hornstein. Considering making Tshirts with an active transportation
slogan.

#### Racial Justice – Steve Harvey

Working on fall sacred sites tour specifically for Bryn Mawr neighbors. Looking for suggestions for film series. Film of the first African American to win an Olympic medal in 1984 suggested.

#### Gardens – Drew Quirk

Reported that hedge looks great, trimming taking place. Garden maintenance going well, rain has been helpful. Scoping for replacement gravel for Garden of Hope and Healing. Looking for alternative planting sources at Newton triangle. Pedal to Petal starting at Garden of Hope and Healing. Discussing combining Gateway and Garden committees.

Finance/Membership – Jessica Wiley Met June 26 to confirm membership and responsibilities. Reviewed budget and NCR (formally CPP) expectations. Karen Soderberg will be streamlining procedures, will make budgetary changes in the draft for 2025. Discussed downtown signage request, how to use Façade grant. Will review independent contractor contracts yearly, investigate investment rebalancing, pay sales taxes for stickers and glasses yearly. Agreed that

expenses not budgeted for under \$1000 can be approved by the Finance Committee. Discussed website rebuild.

Community Projects - Jessica Wiley Big Hill Books is working on getting tables. Will be contacting Nature Pre-School and bridge beautification projects for updates.

Communications - Jay Peterson Website proposal brought to the Finance Committee. Site needs to be totally rebuilt, not just a fix. Proposing financing come from savings, expecting cost of \$15,000 - \$20,000. Discussion about website purpose.

Façade Grants - Addie Arnold Working with Market building owner Doug Anderson.

## Other Standing Reports

**SWLRT Update** 

Can tour the Kenilworth tunnel. Sign up through the project.

## Discussion Items, New Business, Updates and Announcements

Discussed purpose of having Emeritus Board members. Wiley reviewed by-law language. Board agreed to adopt process used for Area Reps to determine commitment to Board. Emeritus Board members will be asked to recommit every two years in May depending on Area they live in; even years for Areas 2.4.6 and 8, odd years for Areas 1.3.5.7 and 9.

Discussed three issues related to Areas 8, 9 and 6; parking on city streets, snow removal in Areas 8 and 9, and the bus stop. Michael Scott shared that 200 units in the WOTW buildings have underground parking, not all used by residents; Penhurst residents are renting them Discussed bus stop issues, and snow removal.

Discussed how the BMNA can help moderate the tensions between neighbors over parking and work with the building management in Areas 8/9 to help address the shortage of parking. Area 6 reps and other interested Board members will meet to discuss next steps.

#### Adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: Wednesday, August 14, 2024

Upcoming Events: Saturday, July 20, Pedal to Petal ride Thursday, July 25, Ice Cream Social Friday, July 26, Wirth Trailhead ride

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

## Parking Rules Refresher

s Bryn Mawr grows and welcomes new businesses and residents, here are a few parking reminders for our shared city streets. It's been a long time for most of us since we memorized these rules for a driver's exam!

- No parking within 5 feet of a driveway or alley entryway, measured from where the curb meets the driveway.
- No parking within 10 feet of a fire hydrant.
- No parking within 20 feet of a crosswalk or intersection unless there is a sign or parking meter.
- No parking within 30 feet of a stop sign or traffic light, unless there is a sign or parking meter.
- No vehicle may be parked over 72 hours. A vehicle missing vital parts will be towed.



- Vehicles must be parked within 12 inches of the curb and parked in the direction of traffic flow.
- No parking for vehicles over 10,000 pounds unless the vehicle is loading, unloading or providing a service.
- No commercial vehicle parking unless the vehicle is loading, unloading or providing a service.

If you have questions or concerns about a parking issue, please call 311.



## **Bugle Notes**

#### Area 2

ichael Tieleman, Area 2, was chosen as a 2024 Outstanding Educator by the Minnesota State Board of Trustees.

Michael is part of the mathematics faculty at Anoka Hennepin Technical College. He was recognized for his work in curriculum development and course redesign and as a cham-



pion of diverse teaching methods. He takes a personalized approach to teaching, supporting the learning journey of each student.

The Board of Trustees Awards for Excellence acknowledge and provide system-wide recognition for consistently superior commitment to student learning and to encourage the ongoing pursuit of excellence at the colleges and universities of Minnesota State. The Board of Trustees is the governing body of the Minnesota State system. An awards ceremony was held in April.

Michael is a member of the Active Transportation Committee and recently joined the BMNA Board as a Co-Rep for Area 2. We congratulate him for his commitment to student learning and our community.

#### Area 4

ave Stockdale, owner, founder and designer at EdgeWorks Design Build was spotted on a tour of the Pillsbury Castle. The Pillsbury Castle Project is a 2024 ASID (American Society of Interior Designers) MN Showcase home in collaboration with NARI (National Association of the Remodeling Industry). Dave and his crew tranformed part of a wide open space into a stunning third floor guest suite. Dave said that one of biggest challenges was running new plumbing up to the space in the historic home.

The castle was open for ticketed tours through the end of July. Phase two of the project will be revealed on the Minneapolis Home Tour this fall.



## Create Meals, Not Waste: Take the Stop Food Waste Challenge

us wondering: why do we let so much of it go to waste? In the U.S., about 40% of food is wasted somewhere along the supply chain, and much of that food waste happens at home.

Most of the food we throw in the trash is leftovers or unspoiled food that could have been eaten, according to a recent waste study in Minneapolis. All that wasted food adds up to wasted money. The average family of four spends more than \$2,500 on food that goes to waste every year.

"As a mother, I was initially interested in controlling food waste as a way to save money. Saving money on my family's food made it possible for me to donate food to the local food shelf that was supported by my church. It wasn't until later that I learned how wasted food is also an environmental issue. So now I have several reasons for cutting my food waste," said Anne S., a participant in a past Stop Food Waste Challenge.

### How the challenge works

When you join the challenge, you can commit to taking actions that will have the most impact in your household - the challenge has more than 60 actions to choose from in six categories.

Learning skills like creating a meal plan, buying just what you need at the grocery store, cooking creatively, and properly storing food can have a big impact on reducing the amount of food in your home that goes to waste.

The first step is to sign up, create your profile, and join or start a team. Then, browse the categories and actions, check off the actions you already take, and select up to five one-time actions and five daily actions to make progress on during the four-week challenge.

It's recommended that everyone starts with tracking their food waste for one week - it's the best way to learn what's going to waste in your household and identify ways to prevent it.

Once the challenge starts, you will report what actions you take, see the impact of your actions add up, and connect with others. Participants will get email updates with resources and tips for taking action and opportunities to attend workshops and events hosted by Stop Food waste Challenge partners.

The challenge runs during the month of August 2024. Sign up opens on July 1. Sign up to be notified when registration opens. OR Join the challenge now at stopfoodwaste.ecochallenge.org.

## **Pup of the Month**

By Carter Casmaer

Month', where we show-case Bryn Mawr's goodest dogs! This month we have the distinct pleasure of introducing quite possibly the softest pup to ever sashay through the streets of Bryn Mawr. 90% poodle, 10% bichon frise and 100% awesome - let us all give a warm welcome to Oliver "Ollie" Twist!

Ollie's route to Bryn Mawr was somewhat circuitous. His Mom, with a little help from UnderDog Rescue of MN, left behind her life in Missouri (as one does) and soon thereafter it became apparent that pups were on the way. Ollie's human - having had to say goodbye to her own sweet pup not very long ago - quickly realized upon their meeting that they were destined to share a life together. So rather suddenly, in this twist of fate, Ollie was an orphan no more and both of their worlds became a lot more fun.

Ollie is surprisingly accomplished for such a young pup. He recently completed Puppy School with the highest honors all while becoming a popular fixture in his human's counseling practice given his soothing presence. Incredibly, he also manages to hold down a day job in a local factory where he supervises the production of good vibes.

Ollie has a scandalously luxurious coat, a fondness for sunbathing on soft green grass and an appetite for flower petals. Watching Ollie romp around a beautifully landscaped yard is, especially for the dog people amongst us, an experience of ephemeral beauty. His sagittarius energy being abundant, Ollie is absolutely pumped for the future because he knows it will be rad!



While the worldly affairs of humans can make our daily lives seem a bit heavy from time to time, please know that there simultaneously exists a world in which small, fluffy dogs like Ollie ride around in convertibles on sunny days listening to 80s jams. Fortunately for all of us we can head over to instagram and see for ourselves by giving @littleolliesunshine a follow. What a time to be alive!

If you'd like to submit an outstanding pup to be recognized please don't hesitate to contact

brynmawrpupofthemonth@gmail.com.



## Be safe during hot weather







#### Get ready

- Extreme heat is dangerous and can cause death.
  The hottest time of the day is usually 2 p.m. to 8 p.m.
- Do not leave people or pets in a parked car on a hot day.



#### Get help

- Call 9-1-1 if someone is in danger, hurt, or not responding. You can ask for an
  ambulance and say that police are not needed.
- During a heat wave, United Way 2-1-1 can help you find a safe place to escape the heat.
- If you see an animal in a hot vehicle, please call emergency services.



#### Heat illness

- Some health conditions make it more difficult for your body to cool down.
- People suffering from heat illness may be too dizzy or confused to tell when they are in danger.
- Heat stroke is a medical emergency.



## Stay cool/cool down

- Put a cold, wet towel or ice pack on your neck.
- Drink more water than usual. Make sure children and pets drink enough water
- Stay in the shade or inside a cool building.
- Cover your windows to keep sunlight out.



#### Help others

- Being alone in extreme heat can be dangerous. Stay in contact with others, especially if you live alone.
- Ask neighbors, friends, and family about their plan to stay cool.
  Look out for people outside during a heatwave. Our unhoused neighbors are at
- greater risk.

For reasonable accommodations or alternative formats please contact health@minneapolismn.gov. People who are deaf or hard of hearing can use a relay service to call 311 at 612-673-3000. TTY users call 612-263-6850.

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www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/ solid-waste (612) 673-2917

## Bryn Mawr Recycling Schedule

	Monday	Tuesday
Area 1	August 12	
	August 26	
Areas	August 5	
4W, 5W, 6, 7	August 19	
Areas		August 6
2, 3, 4E, 5E		August 20

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



## **Area 4 Bugle Block Distributor Needed!**

Russell between Laurel and Cedar Lake Rd and around the block to Sheridan (14 households)

The Bugle is delivered to every household each month by volunteer neighbors. The person who has been doing this route for many years, has stepped down. If you are willing able to take it over, please email bugle@bmna.org and we will connect you with the Area 4 distributor.

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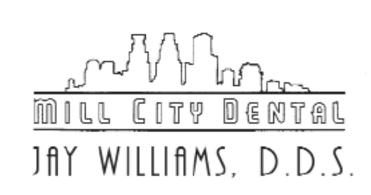
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## **Out & About**

## Introducing OLLI re you looking for interesting

things to do? New learning opportunities? Ways to meet new people? Think about joining OLLI—the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at the University of Minnesota. Housed in the College of Continuing and Professional Studies, OLLI offers short courses and special interest groups appealing to a huge range of tastes and energy levels. Topic areas include the arts and humanities, science, social sciences, and just plain fun. Courses are offered in Fall, Winter, Spring, and Summer terms. Some classes convene once a week for seven weeks; some get together only once. OLLI participants meet both face-to-face and remotely, via Zoom. Face-to-face classes are located on the U of M's St. Paul campus and at various other sites in the Twin Cities.

I encountered OLLI when I moved to Minneapolis in summer 2020, at the height of the COVID-19 pandemic. I didn't know a soul except for my son and his family. One of my new neighbors invited me to join her Zoom-based book club and told me about OLLI courses. A year later, I

was taking classes on movies, novels, jazz, and craft beers (yes: we got to sample some). A year after that, I started offering classes myself. I have now led three courses and can truly say that after a career as a college professor, I have never enjoyed any classroom experience as much! OLLI members, most of whom are retired. are eager to explore whatever topic is offered to them. They bring their questions, contributions, expertise, and enthusiasm to discussions. Tolerant of slip-ups ("How do you work this microphone again?") and captivated by the subject material, they are wonderful companions. What a treat—looking forward to OLLI meetings, whether as a course leader or a class member!

OLLI at the UMN charges an annual membership fee of \$325, which entitles members to take as many classes and participate in as many special interest groups as they wish. OLLI also offers scholarships to those who need it. To learn more about OLLI and view the current Course Guide, please visit its website, ccaps.umn.edu/olli.

Lucinda McCray, Bryn Mawr Area 7

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## Replacement of Gas Lines Begin

July, CenterPoint Energy's authorized contractors will upgrade the natural gas infrastructure on select streets in Minneapolis's Bryn Mawr Neighborhood. Below is a summary:

- First, the crew plans to bore the main underneath one sidewalk on each road.
- Second, they will either fully replace the service line or reconnect it to the new main, depending on the line's age.
- Third, the technician will make a two- to three-hour appointment to move an inside meter outside. They will access the meter inside the house, move the meter outside, and relight the natural gas appliance pilot lights after the new meter has been relocated.
- Fourth, after the gas work, the gas crew will backfill the excavated areas with temporary dirt or gravel before

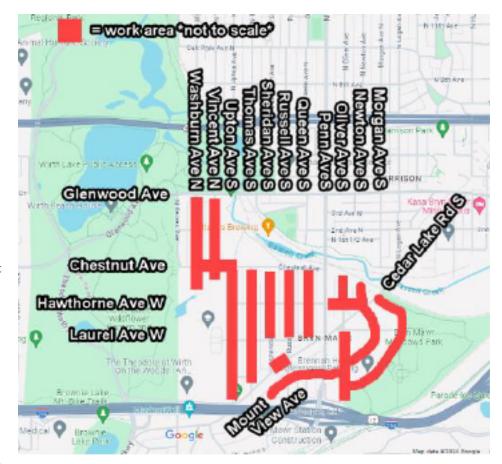
the restoration crew arrives to put down concrete or black dirt, grass seed, and biodegradable netting. There may be several weeks before permanent restoration occurs.

## What streets will be affected, and where will the crews start?

On Monday, July 29, a crew from Michels Corporation will begin the natural gas line replacements. They will start installing a natural gas main under the east sidewalk of Upton Avenue between Wayzata Boulevard and Chestnut Avenue, closing the east and west parking lanes and the east sidewalk.

## How can I contact CenterPoint Energy?

Check out our website for more details and for updates on the crews' progress. If you have questions, please contact our Communication Specialist at 612-321-5546 orhannah.gullickson@centerpointenergy.co m. We appreciate your patience as we're upgrading our infrastructure. We wish you a great season!



Map of streets scheduled for gas line replacement in Summer 2024. Watch your mailbox for notification.

## Pledge to Vote! Nuts and Bolts

This is the fourth article in the League of Women Voters Minneapolis 2024 Democracy Series. All articles will be available at lwvmpls.org/for-voters

lection Day is November 5, 2024. This is a general election to select the President of the United States. Minnesota Voters will also choose one U.S. Senator, eight U.S. Representatives, Minnesota State House of Representatives, judges, candidates in local races, and decide on possible ballot questions. Make you voice heard by voting in this election.

This "Nuts and Bolts" article provides practical information to assist you in voting. Let's make a plan to vote!

### 1. Register at your current address.

In Minnesota, you can register to vote online, by mail or in person at your polling site. Pre-registering online and by mail must be done by October 15, 2024. You also can register when you vote at your polling place on Election Day (November 5) or at early voting locations before Election Day (September 20 to November 4). You can also register when voting early by mail.

If you are registered to vote at your current address, you do not need to show an ID to vote. If not, you can register on Election Day at your polling place site but you will need an ID or other proof of residence to vote. Not sure if you're currently registered or want to register online? Visit the Minnesota Secretary of State website for registration information: sos.state.mn.us/elections-voting/register-to-vote)

## 2. When and how to vote.

To vote early in person go to Minneapolis Election & Voter Services, 980 Hennepin Ave. E. or Hennepin County Government Center, 300 S 6th Street, Minneapolis.

Early in-person voting begins September 20 and is open through 5 p.m. on Monday, November 4. Additional early voting centers will be opened, including two early voting satellite centers opened two weeks before the election. The Minneapolis election office website will have that information as we get closer to the election (vote.minneapolismn.gov).

To vote early by mail request your absentee ballot at mnvotes.sos.mn.gov no later than October 29, fill it out and return it right away. There are alternative ways to return your ballot. You do not need to be registered to apply for an absentee ballot.

## 3. If you mail your ballot, you will need a witness when you vote and complete your ballot.

They will sign the signature envelope and list their address. The witness can be either a registered Minnesota voter or a notary. If it is a notary, they should write their name and title, sign the signature envelope and affix their notary stamp.

The mailing envelope does not need a stamp. You are encouraged to mail your ballot as soon as you fill it out, but the City of Minneapolis recommends returning it at least 7 days before the election. To be counted, absentee ballots must be received in the mail by 8 p.m. on Election Day, November 5.

If you return your ballot in person, you can deliver your ballot Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., from September 20 to November 4, to Minneapolis Elections & Voter Services, 980 E Hennepin Ave, Minneapolis, 55414, or to Hennepin County Government Center, 300 S 6th St, Minneapolis 55487. On Election Day, ballots can be delivered to either of thesesitesnolaterthan8p.m. Youcandeliveryourownabsenteeballotaswellaswell as the ballots for up

to three other voters. If you drop off

a ballot for someone else, you must show identification with your name and signature. Please note that absentee ballots cannot be dropped off at a polling place.

To vote on Election Day. Verify the location of your polling place at the MN Secretary of State website https://www.sos.state.mn.us/elections-voting/election-day-voting/ and go to that location to cast your ballot on November 5. Note that with redistricting your polling site may have changed. Polling sites are open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. For any additional questions, call 311.

### 4. Finding Assistance.

There are many ways to acquire assistance when you vote. You can bring someone to help you vote, ask an election judge for support, use a machine to mark your ballot or even vote from your car. Visit the Secretary State website for more information (sos.state.mn.us/elections-voting/election-day-voting/get-help-voting/)

Voting instructions are available in all polling places on Election Day in the three most commonly spoken non-English languages in the state. Currently, those languages are: Spanish, Hmong and Somali. Instructions on "How to Vote" in these three languages will be posted in the polling place and available for use by voters when casting a ballot as well as a translated notice posted indicating the availability of these instructions. This information is available at the Secretary of State website: sos.state.mn.us/elections-voting/election-day-voting/voter-language-access/

## 5. Give some thought to whether you need to make special arrangements.

Perhaps you need a ride to the polls; or you need childcare (though children can come to the polls with you); or you need to find time during or around your work schedule to vote. Minnesota law requires employees to allow workers time off to vote

without losing pay or taking personal or unpaid time off. This includes voting on election day or voting early.

## 6. Choose your candidate and prepare for your vote.

The League of Women Voters provides information related to the candidates running for local, state, and national offices. It includes the candidates' views on current issues that may affect your choice. The best place to research candidates' views is at Vote411

(https://www.vote411.org/ballot). This site is sponsored by the League of Women Voters Education Fund to provide voter information tailored by each state. The Minneapolis League also sponsors public forums for local candidates and ballot issues. This is an opportunity for you to hear directly from the candidates. You can find when and where the forums are being held at the LWVmpls website https://lwvmpls.org/for-voters/. If you can't attend the forum, no problem. The LWV Minneapolis posts unedited videos of the forums on its website.

After making your decision, consider looking up a sample ballot to review more information on the candidates. Sample ballots are available through the Minnesota Secretary of States' office at sos.state.mn.us/elections-voting/whats-on-my-ballot/.

Make 2024 the year you vote with confidence! Encourage friends and family to do the same! Support each other this election season and help someone you care about get involved as a voter. CALL THREE FRIENDS AND MAKE A PLAN TODAY!





## **New BMNA items for Sale!**

Contact Lynda Shaheen,
coordinator@bmna.org to purchase
or stop by Big Hill Books,
405 Penn Av. S..

## **Bryn Mawr Neighborhood Association Calendar - August 2024**

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

Meetings are held at Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church during the school year, unless otherwise noted.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4	5	National Night Out - attend a Block Party near you!  Active Transportation Committee Gratitude Walk	7	8	9	10
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## **Pedal to Petals 2024**

Photos by Jay Peterson, Area 6

n Saturday, July 20, neighbors joined in the "Pedals to Petals" bike tour of Bryn Mawr's public gardens ponsored by the Bryn Mawr Garden Committee and the Bryn Mawr Active Transportation Committee. Incredible thank you to all of the volunteers across the Garden and Active Transportation Committees for a fun and successful event. I think we're on to something fun here that can be repeated on a regular basis! Reach out to us with any suggestions for improvement in the future.

- Drew Quirk, Area 6 Bryn Mawr Garden Committee















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## The Dog Days are Here

stretch gardeners! With all of the rain this year, it's definitely felt like a lower maintenance season in the yard. I find that I keep worrying that I haven't watered recently, so I run outside expecting wilted blooms and stunted growth, but instead am overwhelmed by sprawling runners, new shoots, and mountains of weeds! If you are a vegetable gardener, I hope your tomatoes and beans are producing for you nicely - I can almost taste my first gardentotable BLT...

- Drew Quirk

#### **Devil Weed**

It's everywhere! But hopefully not in your garden.



Campanula rapunculoides or creeping bellflower, is a noxious weed and a terrible garden bully. It can gain a foothold almost anywhere. It was introduced as an import from Europe. And like dandelions, also thought to be a pretty flower and harmless by early English settlers, it has proven to be terribly invasive. This species of bellflower seems perfectly happy not only in home landscapes but in challenging and inhospitable places such as concrete alleyway cracks.

Creeping bellflower is undeniably attractive. It has a flower stalk with graduated bell-shaped blue-purple flowers blooming in summer that would be a wonderful and welcome addition to our gardens in a more well-behaved plant. I'm sure its attractive blossoms persuade some people to allow it a place in their yards, but once established it begins its spread, both underground and by seed. It will muscle out any less aggressive neighboring plants. And it is VERY hard to control, once established. It has two types of roots, thin white filament like roots and thicker fleshy roots that, with time can become the size of a small, white carrot. Unfortunately, unless these roots are thoroughly dug out, the plant will return. Even small root pieces are capable of regenerating. If all that digging seems like too much work (or if the plants are growing in an undiggable location), you, at the very least, should yank out the flower stalk as it approaches flowering. If you don't pull those stalks, a vigorous plant can set up to 15,000

seeds, being hell-bent on continuing its march toward world domination. So, yank away!

Note: Other common names for this plant are rampion bellflower, rover bellflower, garden bluebell, creeping bluebell, purple bell, and garden harebell, but for any gardener that has struggled to keep it in check, it is known as "Devil Weed".

- Kathy Ripke

#### More to Milkweed

My neighbor Sarah moved a monarch caterpillar she had found on a small butterfly-weed in her yard over



to my large patch of common milkweed on the boulevard. I anxiously monitored it for a few days but then sadly didn't find it again. My hope is it turned into a chrysalis hidden somewhere from my view. Although the milkweed sap monarch larva ingest makes them taste bad to birds, the ignorant bird doesn't find that out until it's too late.





I've been regularly searching my plants for other caterpillars and noted that something was skeletonizing a milkweed leaf. I turned it over and was slightly alarmed to see dozens of teeny tiny caterpillars. Knowing that monarchs only lay a single egg, these had to be something else. I learned they were milkweed tussock moth larva. Like the monarch, milkweed is their only food source. Females lay eggs in masses on undersides of leaves. Also called the milkweed tiger moth, it prefers older milkweed whereas monarchs prefer younger plants, so they are not often found together. The larva avoid the milky sap in the veins because it is so sticky they can get glued down. Like the monarch caterpillar, they build up toxic cardiac glycosides in their bodies from eating milkweed; this is what makes them unpalatable to predators. I expected to eventually see dozens of late instars but was still excited to spot a single one today with its black, orange and white tufts of setae (hairs) two weeks later. While the moth itself is non-descript especially compared to the monarch butterfly, they are still pollinators and it's important we provide habitat for all.

The milkweed plant we usually think of is aptly named common milkweed. It stands 3 to 4 feet tall with sweetly scented showy clusters of pink flowers. This is a favorite of monarchs and other pollinators. However, there are thirteen milkweed varieties native to Minnesota, four of which live in my garden. I have two clumps of common milkweed - one on the boulevard and one between the redbud tree and honeysuckle bushes. Monarchs will only lay a single egg on a plant in an area to try and increase odds of survival, so planting in multiple places is beneficial.

Despite the name, swamp milkweed is an elegant variety in my rain gardens. It has the unmistakable pink milkweed flowers in wide sprays, but narrow dark green leaves growing up to four feet tall. Unlike the common, this variety is well-mannered and does not seem to spread by rhizomes. It also starts blooming later in June to September.

Yellow, orange, or deep red flowered butterfly-weed is also a milkweed, although it's the only one with clear, not milky sap. These plants develop a very deep taproot and do well in dry, sandy conditions like on my boulevard along with whorled milkweed. The latter grows only two feet tall with tiny little feathery leaves and lacey pale flowers. This blooms later, in July through September. Like the rest, it also develops the characteristic seed pods, but on a much smaller scale. As when I was a kid, I still love to break open ripe pods to blow away the seeds, each on its own fluffy parachute.

## **Fragrance in the Garden**

Modern plant breeding has given gardeners a host of beautiful new plants to enhance their landscapes. These plants are bred for all sorts of enhanced qualities. They are bred for color, for blossom size, for height, for disease resistance and for better cold hardiness. At times it is hard to keep

track of all the new introductions, all vying for the gardener's attention and dollars.

One trait that seems to be lost in the breeding frenzy is scent. Scent is an often overlooked but powerful human sense. And being out in the garden should smell good—and can—if you hunt out specific varieties of plants you may already grow. Here are a few recommendations of common garden plants that smell yummy.

In the category of clematis, the clear winner is a variety called "Betty Corning". Ms. Corning blooms with a profusion of downward hanging pale lavender-blue blossoms that just exude scent.

In the world of hosta there are several that smell lovely, most of them bred from the old large shiny green leaved Hosta plantaginea, which smells delicious.

Within the seemingly endless options in daylilies the classic variety called Hyperion, with a large soft yellow blossom, is a treat for the nose.

Snakeroot, is a plant which can either smell good, or bad, depending on the variety. Actaea racemosa, the variety native to the U.S., with green foliage and white blossoms has an odor that most people don't like. (However, bumble bees find it irresistible and tumble in the blossoms as though drunk.) It is Actaea simplex, a native of Japan, with its darker, purple tinged foliage and pinker blossoms, that steals the show for human noses. Cultivars in this sweet-smelling category include 'Hillside Black Beauty', 'Black Negligee' and 'James Compton'. Each variety adds a delicious scent to the garden in late summer.

And then there are roses, who were formerly known for their delicious smell, but most of which don't smell much anymore. They have recently been bred for properties other than scent. Here again turning back the clock might be advantageous. There are lots of choices that still have fragrance, when you look to older shrub rose and climbing rose varieties. A couple names to consider are "Therese Bugnet" and "Gertrude Jekyll".

Adding any one of the above goodsmelling plant varieties to your garden will give you even more reason to love being in your yard, and make it sniff worthy.

- Kathy Ripke

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Looking to create a meaningful impact in your community? Adopt a garden! With your support, you can ensure that one of the twelve BMNA gardens is thriving and inviting to all! With limited city funding, we rely on your financial contribution to maintain the beauty of our neighborhood. Your sponsorship of a garden includes:

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Monday, August 12, 7-8:30pm, 2915 Wavzata Ave S.

Check back at bmna.org/events for the latest info. Join us to talk about community garden work day events, improvement projects, gardening fun and learning activities. Regardless of skill level, we could use your help! And keep an eye out for our signs to join in the fun on any workday.

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> - Kathy Ripke, Area 6, Patti Bohaty, Area 2, Drew Quirk, Area 6



August 12, 2004 Purple martins depart en masse from the north shore of Mille Lacs Lake. They spend about a week preparing for this, leaving the houses where they have hatched and raised their young, and now roosting in trees in large, noisy groups. They will be flying to Venezuela and returning to the same houses next April, according to evidence from banding experiments.

August 18, 2008 Still 86° and humid at 9:30 pm. Went for a cool-off swim at Wirth Lake. Still a little glow in the NW sky.

August 19, 2024 Full moon, the Ojibwe Minike Giziz or harvest moon.

August 21, 2022 First year hatchlings are fully grown and trying to figure things out: male cardinals sitting in the middle of Hawthorne Ave, slow to leave as my car approached; robins with still-spotted breasts spending way too much time enjoying our birdbath, landing on branches that can't support their weight; immature (yellowish) orioles clumsily making their way through branches they could easily fly around. Kind of endearing.



#### "Canines for Clean Water" Event

These events will feature an awesome array of dog-themed activities, adoption/rescue opportunities, and information and giveaways from pet care and water quality organizations. Every Canines for Clean Water party is capped by an animal-themed Movie in the Park at sunset! It's all free to attend and open to all! August 1: JD Rivers' Children's Garden

Activities: 7:00-8:15 pm Movie: Wallace and Gromit: The Curse of the Were-Rabbit at 8:45 pm

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Join Garden Naturalists on Thursdays at 10am and Saturdays at 3pm for a nature-themed story and an activity to match! Meet in front of the Martha Crone Visitor Shelter.

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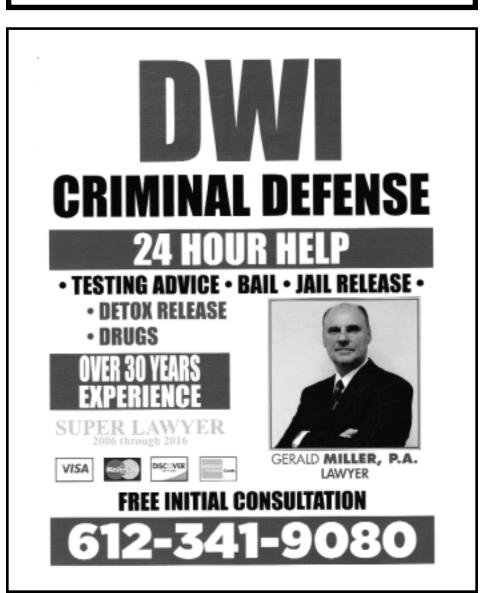
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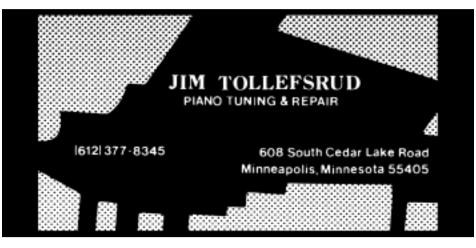
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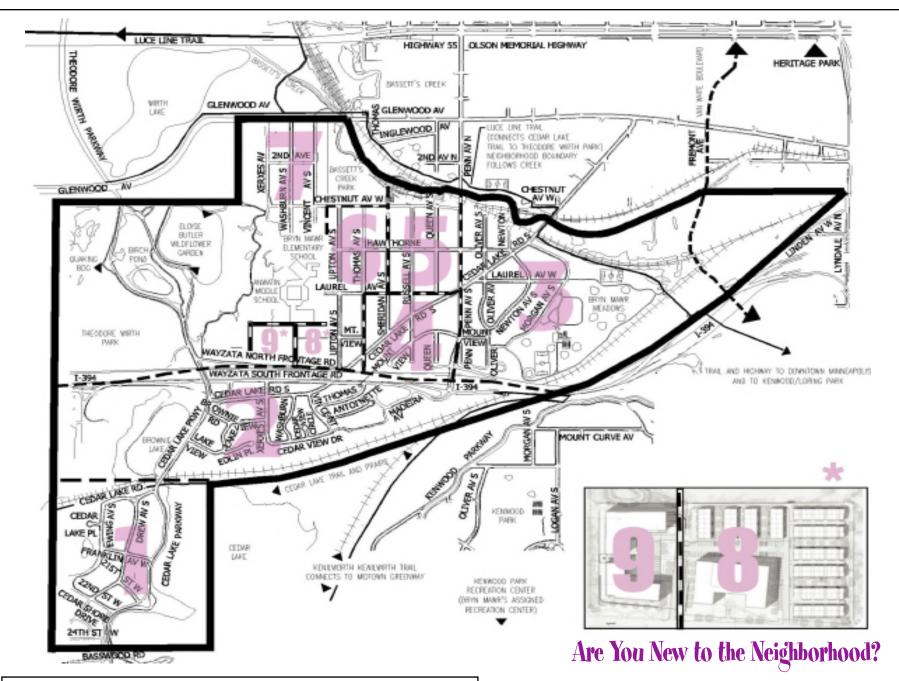
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