



Bancroft Banner

A Newsletter for the Bancroft Neighborhood

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Fresh food in the neighborhood



Urban farmer Matthew Nix sells produce grown right down the street!

stopped by and more events are planned to take place throughout the summer. Thanks to a collaboration with Bancroft Neighborhood Association, Calvary Lutheran Church and Crossroads Community Organization, the market will take place until at least September. WIC FVVs and FMNP vouchers are accepted, so stop by and take home some fresh vegetables. Last week's highlight — big, juicy organic radishes.

Every Thursday the South of Lake Farmer's Market will be held at 39th and Chicago Avenue from 4-7 p.m. Urban farmers from down the street and larger farmers from just outside of town are coming together to provide affordable, local produce and flowers. In its first week over 100 people

**Bancroft
Ice Cream
Social**

THURSDAY, JULY 29TH
5:30-7:30PM

BANCROFT MEADOWS

- ◆ FREE ICE CREAM
- ◆ ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT
- ◆ ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS
- ◆ GET TO KNOW YOUR NEIGHBORS!

Bancroft business receives Commercial Development Grant

For the last five years Andrea Pryor has called Exterior Image at 41st Street and Chicago Avenue her second home. A local resident, raised in South Minneapolis, Andrea is breaking the norm. After graduating from MCTC in Barber School, she worked in various barber shops across the city and found herself working with a lot of men. Eventually, she knew she wanted something different, "I wanted a softer touch, to work with women and to be a barber." She was drawn to the Bancroft Neighborhood because of its orientation towards families and because of the convenience; she lives near by, her kids go to school in the area and she knows lots of people in the neighborhood.

Exterior Image is the latest recipient of the Bancroft Commercial Development Grant, a matching grant

for up to \$5,000 for Bancroft businesses to improve their exterior façade. The building's upgrade included installing two front windows, painting the entire building and installing a ramp to make her business handicap accessible. The BNA partnered with the Bryant Neighborhood Organization in granting Andrea 75 percent of the costs to cover this project. Over the last year the BNA has given out two other grants — to Hilda's Hair Hut on 42nd and Cedar and Millenium Connect at 38th and Chicago Ave. The Commercial Development Grant, made possible through NRP funds, is one of the many ways the BNA seeks to improve its commercial business community. For more information on eligibility please contact the BNA office.



Andrea Pryor at Exterior Image

Calling all kids!

Ages 0-18. Please join us as Bethel Lutheran Church for FREE lunch and activities every Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, 11:30-1PM, June 15-August 19th, contact 612-724-3693. Children under 5 must be accompanied by an adult and light lunch will be provided.

Stay in touch!

Become a fan of Bancroft on Facebook and send the office your email address to stay up-to-date.

Free movies at Phelps Park

This year, the free movie series is returning to Phelps Park, sponsored by the Minneapolis Park Board and the Bryant Neighborhood Organization. The movies will begin 10-15 minutes after sunset, so bring your blanket, picnic, and some friends. Be sure to mark your calendar – movies are scheduled for July 9, 16th and 23rd. See the BNA Calendar for more details! The movie listing schedule for all parks can be found at: <http://www.minneapolisparke.org>

National Night Out is Aug. 3 – start planning now!



National Night Out is coming up fast, and now is the time to start making preparations on your block for the night that brings neighbors together. This year, National Night Out is Tuesday, Aug. 3. Minneapolis wants to make it easy for block clubs and neighbors to get started now on their plans.

The City of Minneapolis asks that you register your event, even if you are not blocking your street. It is easy to do and helps us to track the success of National Night Out. Information is available on the Minneapolis National Night Out site (<http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/nno/>) and registration is easy. If you want to close your street for your event, street closure is free if you apply by July 14. You need permission of 75 percent of your neighbors to be approved for street closure – please have their names and addresses when you apply (you do not need their signatures). You can also register your event and apply for street closure by calling 311 (or 612-673-3000).

Empty out that garage!

On Aug. 6, Hennepin County will be having a Household Hazardous Waste Pick-Up at Bethel Lutheran, 4120 17th Ave South. Visit <http://tinyurl.com/2d8v6go> to find out what will be accepted.

Then, prepare for the Bancroft Neighborhood-Wide Garage Sale on Sept. 11! We'll be hosting the extravagant weekend of bargains on Saturday, Sept. 11 from 8 a.m.–4 p.m. Handy guides that tell you where certain items are throughout the neighborhood will be available at Pro Fuel on 38th and Bloomington from Thursday, Sept. 9 to Saturday, Sept. 11, and at the garage sale sites on the day of the sale.

Below is an application to fill out in order to participate in the sale. Participation is FREE for all residents of Bancroft, and we want everyone to participate! The sale will include furniture, antiques, household items, children's items and much, much more! So sign up NOW and get your extra stuff ready to sell. **Deadline for registration is Tuesday, Aug. 31.** Call the BNA office to register and/or for more information.

2010 Bancroft Neighborhood Association Garage Sale Registration

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Special items of interest (baby clothes, tools, furniture, etc.)

Please fax to: BNA at 612-724-3694

Email: info@bancroftneighborhood.org

Or mail to:

Bancroft Neighborhood Association

4120 17th Ave. South

Minneapolis, MN 55407

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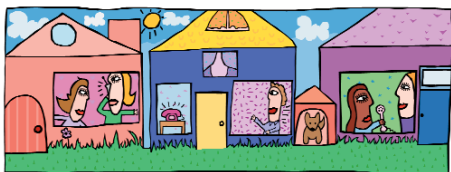
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Addressing youth crime in our neighborhood—special meeting July 21

How DOES the Juvenile Justice System respond to youth crime? Is this enough? Can we do more? Share, listen and learn about the Juvenile Justice System (JJS) and find out what happens when young people go through this system. Our hope is that by learning about the JJS, we, as a community of neighbors, block club leaders and youth service providers can identify where more help is needed.

We'll spend time talking about where there are gaps in the system and brainstorm what the community can do to bridge those gaps.

Wednesday, July 21, 6:30–8:30 p.m.
Pillsbury House
3501 Chicago Avenue South

Special Guests from the JJS and the Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative will attend.

The meeting will be facilitated by City Council Member Elizabeth Glidden. Childcare and Spanish translation will be available.

Help support the BNA with a tax-deductible donation!

We warmly appreciate any amount you wish to give. Please make checks payable to BNA and send to:

Bancroft Neighborhood Association
4120 17th Ave. S.
Minneapolis, MN 55407

BNA Calendar

All meetings and events are held at Bethel Lutheran Church, 4120 17th Avenue South at 7 p.m. unless otherwise noted. Childcare is available with advance notice. Call 724-5313.

July

- 7 38th and Chicago Ave. Business Association meeting, noon, Willie's Soul Food
- 7 BNA Commercial Development Committee meeting, 1 p.m., Willie's Soul Food
- 9 Movies in Phelps Park, sundown: "E.T."
- 16 Movies in Phelps Park, sundown: "Muppets"
- 17 Volunteer Gardening Day at Meridian Garden
- 19 38th and Chicago Ave Small Area Plan Implementation Committee 6:30 p.m., Jakeeno's
- 21 Youth Crime, the Juvenile Justice System and Community Input 6:30-6:30 p.m., Pillsbury House
- 22 West of the Rails Business Association meeting, 4:30-6:30 p.m. 612-721-1601 for more info
- 23 Movies in Phelps Park, sundown: "Happy Feet"
- 29 BNA Ice Cream Social & Neighborhood Gathering, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Bancroft Meadows

August

- 3 National Night Out — citywide!
- 4 38th and Chicago Ave. Business Association meeting, 12 p.m., Willie's Soul Food
- 4 BNA Commercial Development Committee meeting, 1 p.m., Willie's Soul Food
- 5 BNA Executive meeting, 7 p.m.
- 7 Hazardous Waste Pick-Up sponsored by the BNA, held at Bethel Lutheran Church parking lot
- 12 BNA Green Initiatives Committee, 6:15 p.m.
- 12 BNA Community Council, 7 p.m.
- 15 Urban Arts Academy Artican Event
- 16 38th and Chicago Ave, Small Area Plan Implementation Committee, 6:30 p.m. Location TBD
- 21 Volunteer Gardening Day at Meridian Garden

September

- 1 38th and Chicago Ave. Business Association meeting, noon, Willie's Soul Food
- 1 BNA Commercial Development Committee meeting, 1 p.m., Willie's Soul Food
- 2 BNA Executive Meeting, 7 p.m.
- 9 BNA Green Initiatives Committee, 6:15 p.m.
- 9 BNA Community Council, 7 p.m.
- 11 Bancroft Neighborhood-Wide Garage Sale
- 13 38th and Chicago Ave. Commercial Open House
- 20 38th and Chicago Ave. Small Area Plan Implementation Committee, 6:30 p.m. Location TBD
- 25 Celebrate 38th — Festivities from Kingfield to Bancroft along 38th Street

October

- 6 38th and Chicago Ave. Business Association meeting, noon, Derrick's BBQ
- 6 BNA Commercial Development Committee meeting, 1 p.m., Derrick's BBQ
- 7 BNA Green Initiatives Committee, 6:15 p.m.
- 7 BNA Executive Meeting, 7 p.m.
- 14 BNA Community Council, 7 p.m.

November

- 3 38th and Chicago Ave. Business Association meeting, noon, Derrick's BBQ
- 3 BNA Commercial Development Committee meeting, 1 p.m., Derrick's BBQ
- 4 BNA Executive Meeting, 7 p.m.
- 11 BNA Annual Meeting

38th and Chicago summer news and events

On Saturday, June 19, folks from the Bancroft, Bryant, Central and Powderhorn neighborhoods joined together to celebrate the intersection they all call home. The annual Clean-Up and BBQ is always a fun event and this year was no different — there was music, a big grill and fun for the kids. Check out the pictures here and on our Facebook account! Can you spot the new Bancroft T-shirts?

Other news about the intersection

- Excellent soul food is being served at Willie D's Soul Food Restaurant (at the corner of 38th and Chicago Ave., formerly Derrick's BBQ).
- A new community bulletin board has been installed on the 38th Street side of CUP Foods (thanks, Sam!). This is a place for the community to post announcements, events and news.
- South of Lake Farmer's Market is now being held Thursdays from 4–7 p.m. at 39th Street and Chicago Ave. The market brings fresh food to the neighborhood, some of it grown by local community members!
- The Chicago Avenue Fire Arts Center will be opening their doors very soon! They hosted a public walk-through on July 7, and more events are in the works.



(Above) Emmett Bryant, Evette McCarthy, Jessica Thesing, Samir Abumayyaleh, Shonda Allen and Maggie England all gathered round for a great picture at the 38th and Chicago Ave. Clean-Up and BBQ. (Right) Bancroft community members share a meal at the BBQ. Check out those Bancroft T-shirts!

- The Small Area Plan Implementation Committee, coordinated by Jessica Thesing, is hosting a Commercial Open House on September 13. Mark your calendars now for the event.
- 38th Street from Bloomington to Nicollet will be celebrated on September 25. Activities are planned all along the street.



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