



# Bancroft Banner

## Staying warm and saving energy this fall

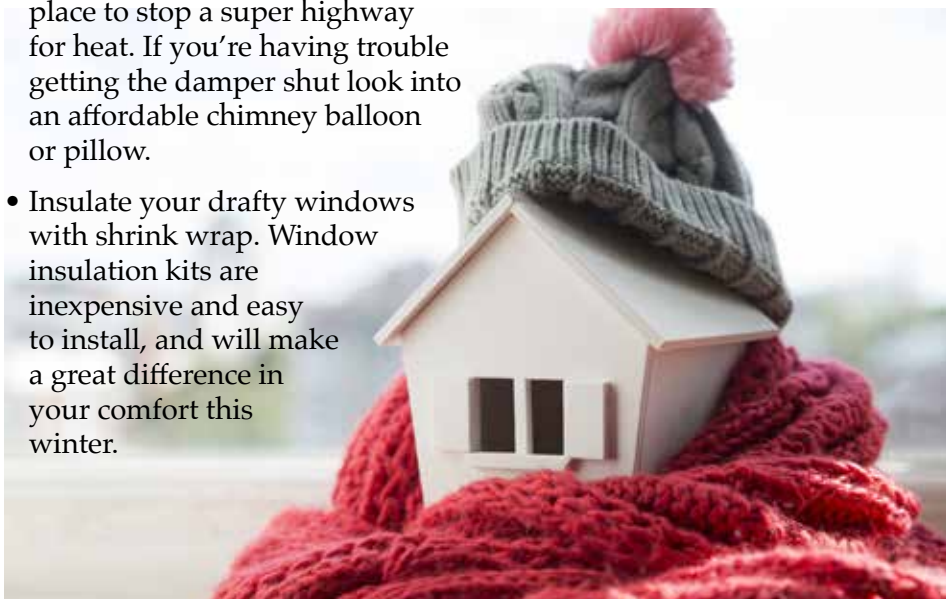
**A**s the weather turns a little chilly and we begin to think about covering our plants before the first frost, it may also be the first time that some of us are turning on our heating systems for the season. This is a great time to get yourself set for comfort and savings this winter with a Home Energy Squad Enhanced visit.

Here are a few tips to get you started:

- Have your heating system cleaned and tuned by a certified HVAC contractor.
- Program your thermostat to help you save energy while gone from the house and sleeping.
- Close the damper on your fireplace to stop a super highway for heat. If you're having trouble getting the damper shut look into an affordable chimney balloon or pillow.
- Insulate your drafty windows with shrink wrap. Window insulation kits are inexpensive and easy to install, and will make a great difference in your comfort this winter.

- Schedule a Home Energy Squad Enhanced visit to learn more about how your home is using energy and get some great energy saving products installed.

Currently Home Energy Squad visits are free for Minneapolis residents with a combined household income under \$94,300. If your household income exceeds this amount, the Bancroft Neighborhood Association will put \$50 toward your visit. Learn more at [mncee.org/hes-mpls](http://mncee.org/hes-mpls) or call 651-328-6220 to schedule your visit. Doing these actions will help you and your family stay nice and cozy—all while saving some money and energy.



**BANCROFT**

### Save the date!

**The BNA Annual Get Together** will be held on Thursday, February 6 at 6:30 p.m. Mark your calendars to come meet your neighbors, have some great food, learn about neighborhood happenings, and vote for board members. If you're interested in running for a seat on the board, contact the BNA office for more information.

### You're invited... Está invitado...

Come share a meal with your neighbors. Food provided from local area restaurants.

Ven y comer la cena con tus vecinos. Alimentos provistos de restaurantes locales.

**What/Qué:** Community meal  
**When/Cuando:** Tuesday, Nov. 12, 6–8:00 p.m.  
**Where/Dónde:** Bethel Lutheran Church, 4120 17th Ave. S.

# Give To The Max Day

This year Give to the Max Day (through GiveMN) is Thursday, November 14. GiveMN launched in 2009 as a collaborative venture led by Minnesota Community Foundation and many other organizations committed to helping make our state a better place. To generate excitement, GiveMN organized a little something called Give to the Max Day.

Since that trial run in 2009, Give to the Max Day has become an annual tradition. Every year thousands of organizations raise money to improve the quality of life in Minnesota and communities around the world. This year, we ask that you help support the Bancroft Neighborhood Association with your charitable giving. Send in the donation card below with "Give to the Max" written on it between November 1 and November 14 and your donation will be counted for Give to the Max Day, which gives BNA a chance to win extra funds through hourly drawings. You can also donate online at [givemn.org/organization/Bancroft-Neighborhood-Association](http://givemn.org/organization/Bancroft-Neighborhood-Association).



**Help support the BNA with a tax-deductible donation during "Give To The Max", Nov. 1-14**

*We warmly appreciate any amount you wish to give.*

Yes, I want to support my neighborhood. Enclosed is my tax-deductible gift.

(Check one)  \$500  \$250  \$100  \$50  \$35  \$\_\_\_\_\_ other

Please sign me up to receive the *Bancroft Banner* Newsletter (we will never give away your address).

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

**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 Ave. S. at 7 p.m. unless otherwise noted. Childcare is available with advance notice. Call 724-5313.

Si le gustaría recibir esta información en español, manda un email a [info@bancroftneighborhood.com](mailto:info@bancroftneighborhood.com) o llama la oficina al 612-724-5313.

### October

*(Breast Cancer and Domestic Violence Awareness month)*

- 13 **Board Meeting**, 7:00 p.m. at Bethel Lutheran
- 14 **Indigenous People's Day**
- 31 **Halloween**

### November

*(National Adoption month)*

- 3 **Daylight Savings Time Ends**
- 5 **Election Day**
- 7 **Board Meeting**, 7:00 p.m.
- 11 **Veteran's Day**
- 18 **Final week of yard waste pickup**
- 28 **Thanksgiving Day**

### December

*(Universal Human Rights month)*

- 5 **Board Meeting**, 7:00 p.m.
- 25 **Christmas Day**
- 31 **New Year's Eve**



## Remembering Ruth and Dorothy Kincaid

Ruth and Dorothy Kincaid were lifelong Bancroft residents who contributed greatly to our neighborhood for many years. They grew up in a house across the street from Bancroft School. They had modest jobs as clerical workers, but gave richly to support their community.

Dorothy passed on but Ruth volunteered at Bancroft for years, tutoring kids and helping in classrooms, and, as a former Bancroft staffer said, "she went wherever she was needed." Ruth even volunteered during cancer treatments, leaving chemotherapy and going directly to the school to work with the kids. She made sure there was a library in every classroom, donating books and funds to buy books. She was described as "a faithful volunteer."

A teacher remembered that Ruth loved to listen to the school's taiko drummers practice on the playground on their drums made of old tires. After she died, Bancroft School learned that she had also bequeathed money to the school. Until the new addition, there was a bench honoring Ruth under the huge elm tree behind the school.

Ruth was a good neighbor too, and was very involved in the neighborhood board, organizing and serving on the very first board. She was involved in many activities to bring the neighborhood together, and also remembered BNA in her will. Our neighborhood dinner on November 12 is sponsored in part through the Kincaids' generous giving to BNA. We are grateful for this family's support over many years.

## Security Rebate Program

The Security Rebate Program still has funds left to help Bancroft residents make security-related improvements to their properties. The program will reimburse up to \$50 per household for improvements such as exterior motion lights, replacing deadbolts on exterior doors, replacing window locks, and even offsetting the cost of installing a security system (how-

ever, funds cannot cover monthly fees). The program information can be found on our website and Facebook pages. While there is a list of eligible and ineligible improvements, the list is not exhaustive. If you are unsure if your improvement will be covered, contact the BNA office prior to making the improvement.

### Did you know...

You don't need to have a Facebook account to access neighborhood information on BNA's Facebook page. All information is public, so check us out today at [facebook.com/bancroftneighborhood](https://facebook.com/bancroftneighborhood).

## BANCROFT IN BRIEF

### Powderhorn Culinary Arts Show

Saturday, Oct. 19  
12:00-5:00 p.m.

#### Powderhorn Park

The Powderhorn Culinary Arts Show is a juried outdoor food and beverage competition that provides a platform for attendees to discover local culinary talent, while fueling advocacy work in the Powderhorn Community. Attendees can eat their way through dozens of culinary delights, enjoy the beer garden by Finnegan's Brew, and shop at pop-ups including a pumpkin patch and holiday market. Admittance is free; however, it does cost money to purchase dishes from our finalists, beer, and other goods from various pop-ups. We hope to see you there, rain or shine!

### Halloween Boo Bash

Thursday, Oct. 31  
5:00-8:00 p.m. at Tiny Diner

This Halloween, Tiny Diner is throwing a big party to celebrate spookiest night of the year! Stop by Tiny Diner on Halloween night for a family-friendly party, monster-themed games, bonfires or healthy snacks while you are trick-o-treating. They'll also have family dinner specials all night in case your little monsters get hungry. Need a last minute costume? Make a mask or superhero cape with the wonderful volunteers from Mobile Menders. This event is free and open to all! Activities include Scary Stories in the Play Hive, live music, face painting, piñatas, and more! Find more information at [Facebook.com/events/3113800655351140](https://www.facebook.com/events/3113800655351140)

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