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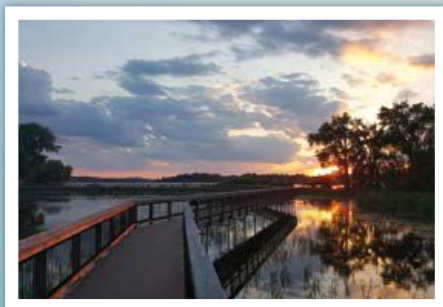
*A Newsletter from the City of Minnetonka
November 2016*

Introducing the 2016 Minnetonka Photo Contest winners

Nearly 200 entries were received for this year's photo contest. Congratulations to the following winners!

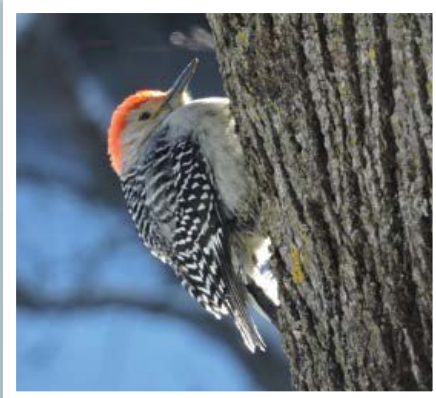
Judge's Choice Award Winners

The overall winners were chosen by the Minnetonka Park Board.



First Place:

Barry McKane, "Summer Solstice"



Second Place:

Alison Albrecht, "Woodpecker in Winter"



Third Place:

Brad Caron, "Chillin' on a Geranium"

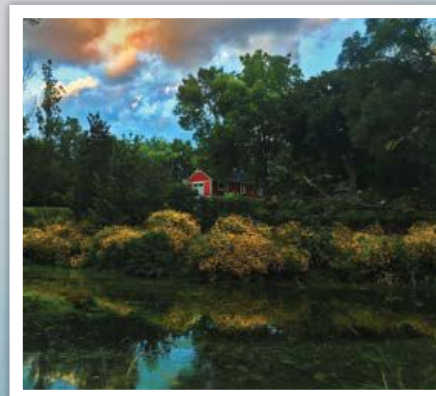
People's Choice Award Winners

The city's Facebook fans chose the category award winners.



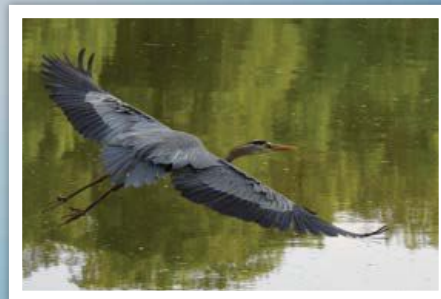
Lifestyle Minnetonka:

Leah Malec, "Tower Hill"



Natural Minnetonka:

Aldo Abelleria, "Kinsel Park, Glen Lake"



Wild Minnetonka:

Hunter Lancour, "Blue Heron"

All of the winning photos are displayed at eminnetonka.com and winners were recognized at the October 24 meeting of the Minnetonka City Council. Thank you to everyone who entered the contest!

Farmers market impacts entire community

With more than 130 farmers markets in Minnesota, Minnetonka is fortunate to have a dedicated group of vendors committed to providing fresh, locally sourced products to guests at the Minnetonka Farmers Market. This year, more than 40 vendors and community groups participated in the market and the impact was felt throughout the whole community.

The primary goal of the market is to increase access to fresh, nutritious food and support healthy communities. Thanks to the generosity of the market's partners and vendors, that goal was met again in 2016.

A partnership with the Healthy Savings program funded in part by Medica provided coupons to over 400 Medica customers this season. Each week, Medica customers showed their member identification cards at the market to receive a \$3 coupon toward any fresh fruits or vegetables. This program is essential for both the farmers and communities alike. Farmers see an increase in foot traffic and profits, and the community comes together while learning about where their fresh produce is grown.

In addition, visitors and market vendors contributed over 3,000 pounds of food this season to help stock the ICA food shelves, ensuring that everyone in our community has access to fresh fruits and vegetables. It was an incredible display of generosity.

Vendor application materials for 2017 will be available at eminnetonka.com/farmersmarket starting in January. Visit the page now to subscribe to receive an email or text notification when the materials are posted.

Public hearing for 2017 budget Dec. 5

In order to continue delivering the high level of service that sets Minnetonka apart, and to address new initiatives residents have requested – such as constructing safe trails to improve walkability – the Minnetonka City Council adopted a preliminary property tax increase in September of no more than 4.9 percent for the 2017 budget.

With the proposed increase, city property taxes for the median valued home in Minnetonka (\$322,600 in 2016) are estimated to increase by approximately \$52 next year.

In addition to supporting new initiatives, the increase will also help support customer communications and public safety and engineering costs. Complete details can be found at eminnetonka.com/budget.

Provide Your Feedback

The City of Minnetonka takes pride in being good stewards of taxpayer dollars – and we want your feedback. Contact Finance Director Merrill King at mking@eminnetonka.com or 952-939-8200 with your thoughts, or attend a public hearing Monday, Dec. 5, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 14600 Minnetonka Blvd. Your input will be collected and used to refine the final budget presented to the city council.

Time to vote: General election is Tuesday, Nov. 8

What's on the 2016 state general election ballot?

Candidates include president, vice president, U.S. representative, state representative, state senator, county commissioner and judges. You'll also vote on a constitutional amendment that establishes a citizens panel to set legislative pay.

When and where do I vote?

Polling places will be open 7 a.m.–8 p.m. If you are in line at 8 p.m., you will be allowed to vote. Voters may only vote in-person at their assigned polling place. The simplest way to check your polling place location is to visit pollfinder.sos.state.mn.us. You may also call city hall at 952-939-8200.

Registering to vote

The Minnesota Secretary of State allows you to register to vote online or to verify if you are currently registered at mnvotes.sos.state.mn.us/VoterStatus.aspx. You will need to register if you have never voted or registered to vote, or if you changed your name and/or address since you last voted. The last day to pre-register is Tuesday, Oct. 18.

Minnesota allows voters to register at the polls on Election Day if the correct identification materials are presented. For a list of acceptable forms of identification, visit eminnetonka.com/elections.



Absentee voting in person

Minnetonka voters may vote absentee at Minnetonka City Hall and at the Hennepin County Government Center in Minneapolis during regular business hours, 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

City hall will be open extended hours for absentee voting:

Nov. 1-3	8 a.m. - 7 p.m.
Nov. 5	8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Nov. 7	8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Take advantage of direct balloting

Due to a state law change, in-person absentee voters may place their ballot directly into the ballot tabulator at city hall Nov. 1-7. Absentee ballots completed before Nov. 1 will be counted at the county days prior to the election.

Absentee voting by mail

Upon receipt of an application, Hennepin County will mail the ballot materials.

Where will election results be available?

Results will be available at hennepin.us and at sos.state.mn.us.

For more information visit eminnetonka.com or email elections@eminnetonka.com.



Veterans Week

Free for veterans and spouses of veterans.

WWII Willie and Joe Cartoons *Dewey Hassig*

Monday, Nov. 7, 10:30 a.m.

Take a look at the Willie and Joe World War II cartoons drawn by Sgt. Bill Mauldin. They feature two ragged, unkempt infantry soldiers Willie and Joe, as they try to cope with war, officers, regulations and the military police. The sarcastic, disrespectful humor of the cartoons was a hit with the soldiers and provided people at home a glimpse of the infantryman's life.

Cost: \$2* (Course #1180404-01)

Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder *Dr. Sutherland*

Monday, Nov. 7, 1 p.m.

Learn about Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD), current evidence based treatment options and the historical perspectives of the recovery process.

Free! (Course #1180401-01)

Documentary: *e Fog of War*

Wednesday, Nov. 9, 10:30 a.m.

Join us for coffee and treats and enjoy the award-winning documentary: *e Fog of War*. Join former Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara on a journey through some of the most seminal events in contemporary American history.

Cost: \$2* (Course #1180402-01)

Veterans Week is supported by:

Elder Homestead, Emerald Crest, Scandanavian Home Care, e Glenn-Hopkins, WestRidge of Minnetonka and Legacy Care Home.

e Big Water: Lake Minnetonka and its place in Minnesota History *Fredrick Johnson*

Wednesday, Nov. 9, 1:30 p.m.

Frederick Johnson presents highlights from his popular history *e Big Water: Lake Minnetonka and its Place in Minnesota History*. Twin Cities historian Larry Millett notes of this "first full account" the Minnetonka story, "The lake's human history is as sprawling as its shoreline, and Johnson skillfully explores the many bays and inlets of its storied past and complicated present."

Cost: \$2* (Course #1180409-01)

Lunch and a Movie: *Bridge of Spies*

Thursday, Nov. 10, noon

At the height of the Cold War the downing of an American U2 spy plane and the pilot's subsequent capture by the Soviets draws Brooklyn attorney James Donovan into the middle of an intense effort to secure the aviator's release.

Menu: Fried chicken, potato wedges, coleslaw, dinner roll and a cookie.

Cost: \$5* (Course #1100203-01)

Registration Information

Registrations due **Monday, Nov. 7** even if attending for free.

*Free for veterans and spouses of veterans.

National Memory Screening Day

ursday, Nov. 3, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.*

National Memory Screening Day is an initiative of the Alzheimer's Foundation of America to provide optimal care and services to individuals confronting dementia and their caregivers. Emerald Crest is offering free, confidential memory screenings, as well as follow-up resources and educational materials to those concerned about memory loss.

*By appointment only, appointments last 15 minutes and are available 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Free! (Course #1180420)

Sips & Songs

Enjoy light refreshments and socializing before taking in local entertainment. Live it up, reserve your seat today!

Kannani

Wednesday, Nov. 16, 10:30 a.m.

Three gifted female vocalists will perform selections reflective of nature ranging from American and British folk to musical adaptation of poetry by Emily Dickinson and Shakespeare.

Cost: \$3 (Course #1100301-02)

Sponsored by:
WestRidge of Minnetonka

Community Connections: Forgetfulness

Monday, Nov. 28, 10:15 a.m.

Forgetting little details is normal in daily life. However, when memory loss begins to interfere with day to day functioning it may be more significant. Discover when forgetfulness is no longer normal and may be a warning sign. Provided by Lake Minnetonka Senior Care Providers: Community Connections.

Free! (Course #1180416-01)

Monthly Party: anksgiving

ursday, Nov. 17, noon

Celebrate with us!

Menu: Turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes, corn, cranberries, roll and dessert.

Sponsored by: Home Care Assistance

Cost: \$7 due Monday, Nov.14
(Course #1100106-01)

Join us for a game of

Bean Bag

Friday, Nov. 18, 10:15 a.m.-noon

Socialize with your peers and join in a game of bean bag.

Free! No reservation needed.



Fitness Programs

For a complete listing and program descriptions please visit eminnetonka.com/register or pick up a fitness flyer at the community center.

Program	Instructor	Dates	Day	Times	Fee	Course #
Over 50 and Fit	Volunteer Instructors	Jan. 1–Dec. 31	M, W, F	9–10 a.m.	\$12 <i>(annually)</i>	4090702-01
Basic Mat Pilates	Elizabeth Kelly	Nov. 2–Dec. 21	W	6:15–7:15 p.m.	\$48	1090904-02
Chair Yoga	Elizabeth Kelly	Nov. 2–Dec. 21	W	5–6 p.m.	\$48	1090101-06
Dance: Swing	Tricia Wood	Nov. 19–Dec. 10	S	10–10:50 a.m.	\$52	1091004-01
Dance: Ballroom and Latin	Tricia Wood	Nov. 19–Dec. 10	S	11–11:50 a.m.	\$52	1091003-03
Intermediate Line Dance	Eileen Ronning	Nov. 3–Dec. 1	TH	1–2 p.m.	\$28	1090602-03
Intermediate Yoga	Nancy Holasek	Nov. 1–Dec. 13	T	11 a.m. – noon	\$42	1090201-03
Intermediate Yoga	Nancy Holasek	Nov. 3–Dec. 15 <i>(No class Nov. 24)</i>	TH	11 a.m. – noon	\$36	1090201-04
Intermediate Yoga	Elizabeth Kelly	Nov. 2–Dec. 21	W	7:30–8:30 p.m.	\$48	1090201-06
Seated T'ai Chi Chih	Susan Sobelson	Nov. 7–Dec. 12	M	10–11 a.m.	\$30	1090303-01
T'ai Chi Chih: Intermediate	Susan Sobelson	Nov. 7–Dec. 12	M	11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.	\$30	1090302-01
Therapeutic Pilates	Dr. Sarah Petich	Oct. 31–Dec. 12	M	8:30–9:30 a.m.	\$63	1090902-02
Zumba Gold	Renee Rahimi	Oct. 31–Dec. 12	M	12:45–1:45 p.m.	\$42	1090501-03
Zumba Gold	Renee Rahimi	Nov. 2–Dec. 14	W	12:30–1:30 p.m.	\$42	1090501-04

Fitness Highlights

Basic Mat Pilates

Elizabeth Kelly

Pilates is a method of exercise that consists of low-impact flexibility, muscular strength and endurance movements. Pilates emphasizes the core with the use of the abdominals, lower back, hips and thighs. By practicing Pilates regularly, you can achieve a number of health benefits, including improved core strength and stability, posture, balance and flexibility.

Zumba Gold

Renee Rahimi

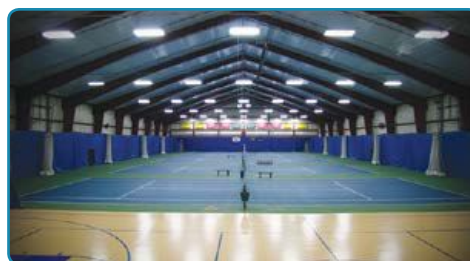
Ditch the workout and join the party! Zumba Gold is a Latin-inspired dance-fitness program featuring easy-to-follow rhythms and upbeat music. It is a low-impact form of Zumba designed for beginners and active older adults. Working out has never been so much fun!

Over 50 and Fit

Volunteer Instructors

Join this social group and enjoy music and fitness three days a week!

Athletic Activities



Indoor Pickleball

October - May

Try the fun and social game of pickleball. Limited racquets and balls are available.

- Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 7:30–10 a.m.
- Thursdays and Fridays, 7:30–9:30 a.m.
- Saturdays, 1–3 p.m.
- Free for Williston, Silver Sneaker and Silver and Fit members. \$4 per day for non-members.

Williston Fitness Center
14509 Minnetonka Drive

Register Early

Programs can fill well in advance or may be canceled due to low enrollment. Registering early is the best way to secure a spot.

Education Programs

Defensive Driving

Register through MN Highway Safety Center, 1-888-234-1294, or visit mnsafetycenter.org for all classes.

4-hour renewal sessions:

- \$22, Tuesday, Nov. 15, 9 a.m.–1 p.m.
- \$22, Thursday, Dec. 8, 9 a.m.–1 p.m.

Balance and Fall Prevention

Dr. Eva Norman

Monday, Dec. 12, 10:30 a.m.

Dr. Eva Norman, president and founder of Live Your Life Physical Therapy, discusses balance and fall prevention. Learn ways to maintain, improve and restore ease of movement, activity levels and health. Balance screenings offered after the presentation by appointment only. Appointments can be made online, over the phone or in person.

- \$2 (Course #1180419-01)

History Programs

British History: London's White Tower

Terry Kubista

ursdays, Nov. 3-17, 1-3 p.m.

The Tower of London has stood guard over London for more than a thousand years.

Examine the real purpose William the Conqueror decided to build it.

- \$21 (Course #1180101-03)

British History: Winston Churchill

Terry Kubista

ursdays, Dec. 1-8, 1-3 p.m.

Statesman, politician, Knight of the Garter and near royalty - Sir Winston was all of these but how did his story start and what did he do in order to become one of Great Britain's most famous statesmen?

- \$14 (Course #1180101-04)

British History: Sacred Wonders of Britain

Terry Kubista

ursdays, Dec. 15-22, 1-3 p.m.

Britain's sacred places are not all ancient. Some are quite new. Yet they all share roots in the religions of the original peoples of the Islands. From the north of Scotland to Glastonbury Tore, explore sites that were holy to the first missionaries.

- \$14 (Course #1180101-05)

American Presidents

Dan Hartman

Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Explore each president and discuss what occurred while they were in office from a historical point of view. Presidents will be presented in order, with highlighted accomplishments and factors surrounding their terms in office. The final seminar will look at the newly elected president and what the future may hold for their term in office.

- \$20, Nov. 9-30 (Course #1180202-03)
- \$15, Dec. 14-28 (Course #1180202-04)

Day Trips*



Christmas in Duluth

*ursday, Dec. 1**

This popular trip features the lunch at Fitzer's Inn and a guided tour of Glensheen Mansion decorated for the holiday season. Tour includes the first and second floor; a video is available if unable to climb stairs. Next, arrive at Bayfront Festival Park and experience the Bentleyville Tour of Lights. Walk through the 20-acre display of millions of lights, trees and music. Warm up with complimentary hot cocoa, coffee, cookies and more. *Please reserve Dec. 8 in case trip is rescheduled due to inclement weather or road conditions.

Menu: Lake trout, salad, green beans, potato and dessert.

(Course# 1110105-01)

- **Cost:** \$79 includes tours, meal, transportation and guide
- **Estimated trip time:** 10:15 a.m.-9:15 p.m.
- **Register or cancel by:** Friday, Nov. 4

*For a complete listing of day trips search for trips at eminnetonka.com/register. Flyers for day trips and extended trips through Landmark Tours are also available at the community center. Trips meet in the lobby of the community center.



11280 Wayzata Blvd.

763-591-4868

Purchase items handcrafted by Minnetonka residents ages 55 and older.

Seasonal crafts and gifts have arrived!

- Winter hats, gloves and scarves
- Baby clothes and toys
- Jewelry and accessories
- Handbags and wallets
- Doll furniture and clothes
- Household items and more!

Hours: Wednesday-Saturday, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.,
Thursdays until 8 p.m.

Holiday Hours: Monday-Saturday, Nov. 28-Dec. 23.

Pen Pal Program

January □ May

Volunteers are needed to serve as pen pals with a fifth grade class at Scenic Heights Elementary in Minnetonka. Starting in January, letters are exchanged monthly, with the opportunity to meet your pen pal in May. Please call 952-939-8393 to volunteer.

Interest Groups

Interest groups are coordinated and led by seniors in the community. All groups meet at the Minnetonka Community Center, unless noted otherwise.

Bird Club

1st Friday, 10 a.m.

Speaker: Gordon Dietzman, "In the Lands of Birds"

Book Club

3rd ursday, 1 p.m.

Me Before You by Jojo Moyes

Garden Club

2nd Monday, 1 p.m.

Election of officers, seed exchange and program on Soil 101.

Literary Book Club

4th Tuesday, 7:15 p.m.

Howard's End by E.M. Forster

Poker

1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 10 a.m.

New members welcome!

Winter/Spring Registration

(January–March)

Tuesday, Dec. 6

Registrations for programs beginning January through March will be accepted starting Tuesday, Dec. 6 at 8 a.m. The *Script* highlights upcoming programs. Please refer to the Hopkins-Minnetonka Recreation Services Brochure or visit eminnetonka.com/register for a more complete listing of senior services offerings. The brochure can be picked up at the community center, viewed online or mailed to your home, to request a copy call 952-939-8203 or email recservices@eminnetonka.com.

Scholarships Available

Limited scholarships are available for Minnetonka residents age 55+. Scholarships are kept confidential and no questions are asked regarding details of finances.

- Up to three scholarships per brochure totalling nine per year.
- Up to 50 percent for programs.
- Up to 50 percent on one day trip per year.

Email Updates

Stay up-to-date on the latest events! Receive weekly email updates on senior happenings! Send your email address to spieh@eminnetonka.com.

Receive the script and calendar via email by subscribing to email alerts at eminnetonka.com/seniorservices.

Services

Blood Pressure Screenings

**1st and 3rd Fridays; 2nd Wednesdays
9:30–11:30 a.m., Free!**

Provided by volunteer nurses.

Happy Feet

**1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th Friday,
9 a.m. – 3 p.m., \$37**

Provided by nurses specializing in foot care. For appointment call 763-560-5136.

Senior Community Services

Senior Outreach Social Worker

Lisa Engdahl

2nd and 4th Tuesdays, Free!

Discuss finances, transportation, personal care, medical care, home maintenance and more. For appointment call 952-939-8393.

Medicare Counseling

1st and 3rd Mondays, Free!

Discuss Medicare, supplemental insurance, Part D coverage, billing issues, resources and more! Call 952-939-8393.

HOME

Household and Outside Maintenance for Elderly (HOME) is available for Minnetonka residents 60 and older. For information call 952-746-4046 or visit the Community Center on Fridays, 9 a.m. – noon. Some of the chores HOME can help with include the following:

- Snow removal
- Change light bulbs
- Housekeeping
- Change furnace filters





**Minnetonka
Senior Services**


Connections. Activities. Lifelong Learning.

Contact and Registration Information

Register in person, over the phone, online or by mail.

 14600 Minnetonka Blvd.,
Minnetonka, MN 55345

 eminnetonka.com/register

 952-939-8393

Office Hours

Monday–Friday, 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

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Mission

To develop and promote programs and services in our community to meet the diverse needs of those 55+.

Program Locations

Meet at Minnetonka Senior Services unless otherwise noted.

Cancellation Information

Program Cancellations

Refunds will only be made if registration is withdrawn before the advertised deadline. If no deadline is given, registration must be withdrawn at least two business days prior to the start date of the program. Partial credit will be considered if injury or serious illness occurs. In such case, a physician's verification may be required.

Trip Cancellations

Refunds are assessed a \$5 administrative fee and only granted prior to the registration deadline or in the event that a replacement is found.

Taking steps to make Minnetonka dementia-friendly

Did you know one in nine people over age 65 are estimated to have Alzheimer's? This means nearly 1,000 Minnetonka residents, or approximately 5 percent of all Minnetonka households, are dealing with the complications from this disease.



In an effort to better understand how to be respectful, welcoming and supportive of those suffering from dementia, the City of Minnetonka, along with members of the Minnetonka Senior Advisory Board and other community members, is working to make Minnetonka "dementia friendly."

According to the National Alzheimer's Association, a dementia friendly community is defined as one that is informed, safe and respectful of individuals with dementia and their families, provides supportive options, and fosters quality of life.

One way the city is working to make Minnetonka welcoming to those suffering from Alzheimer's is to train city staff on the effects of the disease and how to assist someone living with it.

Register for Free Training

The city is also offering free one-hour training sessions to residents, businesses or organizations interested in learning more about the disease. Contact Steve Pich at 952-939-8366 or spieh@eminnetonka.com for more information on how to register.

More Information

To learn more about the effort to make Minnetonka dementia-friendly, visit eminnetonka.com/dementiafriendly.

Tree pruning along right-of-way begins later this month

Each November through March, the city prunes trees along the boulevard right-of-way (ROW) in an effort to maintain sightlines and prepare for upcoming road construction projects. Here are some answers to frequently asked questions about ROW trees:

Who owns ROW trees, and who is responsible for maintaining them?

Trees planted along roadway boulevards are owned by the adjacent property owner. However, the City of Minnetonka has a ROW easement along all city roadways, which permits use of the land for public necessities such as utilities, snow storage and vehicular and pedestrian traffic.

- The city conducts any maintenance that is necessary to preserve the safety and use of the road and right-of-way.
- Homeowners must maintain trees, such as pruning branches over a driveway or a neighbor's house, to ensure safety on private property.

Why are trees pruned in the ROW in anticipation of road projects?

Proactive pruning reduces the risk of road-tree conflicts during road construction. The pruning is done during the winter months when tree diseases and insects are inactive.

How does the city determine whether or not it is necessary to remove a tree in advance of a road project?

Trees in the ROW must sometimes be removed in anticipation of upcoming road projects, but only if the established boundaries of the road project make it necessary. For instance, many road projects require several feet of space behind the curb in order to excavate utilities and to operate large equipment. Trees within the work zone must be removed to make this work possible.



Who performs the work and what does it entail?

A city crew or contractor prunes ROW trees at no cost to the property owner. The goals are to:

- Raise tree canopies 18-20 feet above the road surface to accommodate tall machinery and/or reduce the overgrowth of branches into the roadway.
- Remove branches extending into the anticipated work zone.
- Remove dead or broken branches that might pose a hazard to the roadway.
- Remove shrubs or small trees that block intersection sightlines or signs.

How can I plant and maintain my property so it does not create a road-tree conflict?

- Plant evergreen trees at least 20 feet off the road edge.
- Plant deciduous trees (those that drop leaves in fall) at least 15 feet back from the road edge.
- Regularly trim formal shrubs/hedges near the road to maintain aesthetics and ensure the ROW (approximately 6 feet behind the curb) is kept clear.
- Ensure that natural areas alongside the road do not block intersection sightlines or signs.

How can I stay informed about the work planned on my street?

If your neighborhood is scheduled for right-of-way pruning in 2016-17, you will receive a detailed letter in late November. Call the forestry information line at 952-988-8407 with questions.

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Calendar

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S	M	T	W	T	F	S	Call 952-939-8200 for meeting locations.
		1	2	3	4	5	2 Joint City Council and Park Board Meeting, 5:30 p.m.
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	17 Planning Commission, 6:30 p.m. 21 City Council Study Session, 6:30 p.m.
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	3 Planning Commission, 6:30 p.m. 8 State General Election, 7 a.m.–8 p.m.
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	24 Thanksgiving Day, city offices closed 25 City offices closed
27	28	29	30	31			10 Charter Commission, 7 p.m. 11 Veterans Day, city offices closed 14 City Council, 6:30 a.m.

All meetings are open to the public. Meeting dates and times are subject to change – visit eminnetonka.com for the latest information. i

Minnetonka City Council and Planning Commission meetings are broadcast live on cable channel 16 and can be viewed live and on-demand at eminnetonka.com. The meetings are rebroadcast on channel 16 on Mondays and Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. and Fridays and Saturdays at noon.

Agendas for council meetings are available at eminnetonka.com by the Friday afternoon prior to the meeting, and planning commission agendas are available by the Monday prior to the meeting.

Reflections Award nominations due Nov. 18

Do you know of an individual, business or program that consistently works to make Minnetonka a great community? Then consider nominating that person or organization for a 2017 Reflections Award!

The biennial Reflections Award program was created in 1997 to recognize individuals, businesses and programs whose outstanding contributions reflect positively on Minnetonka.

To be considered for the 2017 awards, to be presented at a council meeting in January 2017, the city must receive a completed application by Nov. 18, 2016. For an application, visit the city's website at eminnetonka.com or pick one up at city hall.

Burwell holiday open house Dec. 4

Mark your calendar for the annual holiday open house at the Charles H. Burwell House Sunday, Dec. 4, from 1–4 p.m. Enjoy refreshments and take a self-guided tour to check out the Victorian holiday decorations. This free event is presented by the Minnetonka Historical Society.

The Burwell House, located at 13209 E. McGinty Rd., is owned and maintained by the City of Minnetonka.

