

minnetonka memo

A Newsletter from the City of Minnetonka
August 2011

Plan your fall calendar of activities

LABOR DAY IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER, and it's nearly time to start thinking about fall activities! Don't miss these city events over the next few months.

Fall recreation registration

Starts August 4

The 2011 fall recreation brochure was published online only July 29, with registration starting August 4 for residents and August 18 for non-residents. Visit www.eminnetonka.com to view a copy of the recreation brochure. To request a printed copy of the brochure, call (952) 939-8203.

Photo Contest

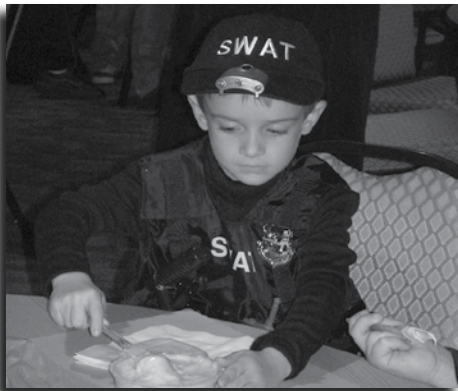
Entries due Sept. 9

See page 5 of this month's newsletter for more information about this year's photo contest!

Special Drop-Off

Sept. 17, 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.

See the September *Minnetonka Memo* for more information about this opportunity for Minnetonka residents to dispose of items from air conditioners to windows.



Burwell House Tours

Open through September

See page 3 for information about touring the historic Burwell House, open regular hours through August and Saturdays only in September.

Fire Department and City Open House

October 11, 5-8 p.m.

The city of Minnetonka hosts its annual Fire Department and City Open House at the Minnetonka Civic Center campus, 14600 Minnetonka Boulevard, Minnetonka. This popular event offers an informal and entertaining way to meet city staff and learn more about local government. Kids four and over can ride in city fire trucks, everyone can enjoy free hot dogs, cookies, pop and lemonade along with department tours and entertainment. See the October *Minnetonka Memo* for a complete schedule of events, or visit www.eminnetonka.com.

Fall Family Festival

October 23, 1-3 p.m.

Registration required:
\$8 per person (adults free)

Enjoy a day of outdoor fall fun at the amphitheater on the Minnetonka Civic Center Campus, 14600 Minnetonka Blvd. Activities include musical entertainment, storytellers, hayrides, face painting, pumpkin painting, hot apple cider by the fire, games, treats and more! Costumes are encouraged, but not required. Registration is required for this event. All pre-registered participants will receive a treat bag. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Adults are free! In case of rain, the event will be moved into the Community Center. ☺



Farmers' Market continues Tuesdays

THE MINNETONKA FARMER'S MARKET takes place every Tuesday through September 27, from 3 to 7 p.m. in the Minnetonka Ice Arena B parking lot, located at the Minnetonka Civic Center campus at 14600 Minnetonka Boulevard.

Visit vendors selling produce, all-natural meat, baked and canned goods, salsa, maple syrup, honey, bread, pet treats, snack mixes, flowers, bread, sauces, apples and crafts. Parking is available in the city hall parking lot or the Ice Arena A parking lot.

Come for the farmer's market, and through August 9, stay for Music in the Park at 7 p.m. at the outdoor amphitheatre. For weekly performance updates visit www.eminnetonka.com. ☺



Photo courtesy of Joanie Michaud

Labor Day delays recycling one day

THE LABOR DAY HOLIDAY MONDAY, SEPT. 5, WILL DELAY RECYCLING BY ONE DAY. Residents west of I-494 will have recycling collection Tuesday, Sept. 6, while residents east of I-494 will have recycling collection Wednesday, Sept. 7. The brush drop-off at Minnetonka Public Works will be closed Monday, Sept. 5, for Labor Day. ☺

Flashpoints

From the Minnetonka Fire Department



IN FIREFIGHTING LINGO, A FLASHPOINT is the temperature at which combustible materials **can** burst into flame. The flashpoints in this quarterly feature, however, are not so volatile — rather, they are the initiatives and events that serve as the catalyst for the excellent service provided every day by the Minnetonka Fire Department to city residents and businesses. For more information about any of these items, call the fire department at (952) 939-8598.

“What If?”

“What if?” is an educational program designed to prepare residents for emergencies big or small, and to raise awareness to better prepare for such events, with the goal of creating a proactive community.

Over the past year, the Minnetonka Fire Department’s “What if?” program public educators have had the opportunity to visit with many Minnetonka residents at events, businesses, schools and neighborhoods. They have also given fire station tours, worked with Girl Scout and Boy Scout troops and collaborated with public educators throughout the state to expand programs.

The program, which can be custom fit to meet the needs of any group, involves two main components:

- A fire extinguisher simulator that provides a safe opportunity to learn how to extinguish fires.
- Multi-media fire and life safety presentations for groups of all ages and sizes.

Learn more about the What If? program at www.eminnetonka.com

Fire Department Responses

During the second quarter of 2011, the fire department responded to 324 calls for service. The three-person duty crew handles most of the calls, while about 40 paid-on-call members report to structure fires.

Significant events during the second quarter of this year included structure

fires in apartments on St. Alban’s Mill, Greenbrier Road and Smetana Drive; mutual aid to St. Louis Park after a tornado and for an apartment fire; mutual aid to Plymouth, Golden Valley, Mound, Eden Prairie and Wayzata for house fires; and a vehicle-power pole accident on Baker Road, with a resulting three-hour power outage.

Fire Training

The average firefighter in Minnetonka attended more than 45 hours of training during the second quarter of 2011. Training included:

- Annual live fire and high-rise fire refreshers at the South Metro Public Safety Training Facility in Edina.
- Placing new turnout gear in service, which meet current standards and was purchased jointly with five other cities.
- Completion of quarterly EMS training.
- A review of vehicle extrication dangers and tips.
- Quarterly joint-operations training with the Bloomington, Edina, Excelsior, Hopkins, Richfield and St. Louis Park Fire Departments.

Mark your calendars!

The 2011 Minnetonka Fire Department and City Open House is set for Tuesday, October 11, from 5–8 p.m. at the Minnetonka Civic Center Campus, 14600 Minnetonka Boulevard., Minnetonka.



Stay safe in the kitchen

Cooking brings family together, provides an outlet for creativity and can be relaxing. But did you know that cooking fires are the number one cause of home fires and home injuries? Follow these safety tips to prevent cooking fires.

- Stay in the kitchen while you are cooking food. If you leave the kitchen even for a short time, turn off the stove.
- If you are simmering, baking, roasting or boiling food, check it regularly. Remain in the home while food is cooking, and use a timer to remind you that food is cooking.
- Keep anything that can catch fire — oven mitts, wooden utensils, food packaging, towels or curtains — away from your stovetop.
- Have a “kid-free” zone of at least three feet around the stove and areas where hot food or drink is prepared or carried.

If you have a cooking fire:

- Just get out! When you leave, close the door behind you to help contain the fire.
- Call 9-1-1 after you leave.
- Keep a lid nearby when you’re cooking to smother small grease fires. Smother the fire by sliding the lid over the pan. Turn off the stovetop, then leave the pan covered until it is completely cooled.
- For an oven fire, turn off the heat and keep the door closed.

Information provided courtesy of the National Fire Protection Association at www.nfpa.org.

Back-to-school safety tips for students

THE START OF SCHOOL IS JUST AROUND the corner, and the Minnetonka Police Department offers the following tips for students to stay safe when travelling to and from school via bus, bike or walking.

Riding the bus

School bus transportation is safe, but even so, each year students are injured in incidents involving school buses. More often than not, these accidents occur as the students are entering and exiting the bus — not in a crash. Remember these safety tips to stay safe around buses:

- Have a safe place to wait for your bus, away from traffic and the street.
- Stay away from the bus until it comes to a complete stop and the driver signals you to enter.
- While riding on the bus stay seated and face forward during the entire ride.
- When being dropped off, exit the bus and walk ten giant steps away from the bus.



2003 photo contest:
Cindy Schaefer, "Back to School"

Keep a safe distance between you and the bus. Also, remember that the bus driver can see you best when you are standing away from the bus.

- Stay away from the bus until the driver gives his/her signal that it's okay to approach.
- Use the handrail to enter and exit the bus.
- Always cross the street in front of the bus, never walk around the back of the bus.
- Be aware of the street traffic around you. Always use caution when approaching the street as drivers may not see you.

Walking and biking to school

Young pedestrians face a wide variety of decisions making situations and dangers while walking to and from school. Follow these few basic safety tips:

- Always walk on the sidewalk if there is one. If there is no sidewalk, walk on the side of the road towards oncoming traffic.
- Mind all traffic signals and crossing guards — never cross the street against a red light, even if you don't see any traffic coming.
- Walk your bike through intersections.
- Walk with a friend.
- Wear reflective material or bright clothing... it makes you more visible to drivers. ∞

Tour Burwell House through September

LOOKING FOR A WAY TO GET IN TOUCH with Minnesota's past this summer? There's no need to travel far — make plans to visit Minnetonka's own Charles H. Burwell House, listed on the National Register of Historic Places and a treasure loaded with stories about Minnetonka's early history.

The Burwell House is open for tours Tuesdays, 12–3 p.m., Wednesdays, 6–8 p.m. and Saturdays, 12–4 p.m., through August 31. The house will be open Saturdays only, 12–4 p.m., in September (September 3, 10, 17 and 24), before closing for the season.

Tours are free and no reservations are required — just stop by the house at 13209 E. McGinty Road, Minnetonka. Parking is available on the grounds, the main floor of the house is handicap accessible, and the entire house is air-conditioned. Want to bring a group for a special tour? Arrange a time by calling Laura Ronbeck at (952) 939-8219 or email lronbeck@eminnetonka.com. ∞



Record crowds attend Summer Festival; plan to attend next year!

THIS YEAR'S MINNETONKA SUMMER Festival, held Saturday, June 25, was the second-best ever attended, with the fireworks crowd breaking all previous attendance records! Don't be left out of next year's fun — mark your calendars now for Saturday, June 23, 2012. ∞



Lake Rose Park trees, shrubs replanted

AFTER SEVERAL YEARS OF BUCKTHORN control, 750 seedling trees and shrubs were planted at Lake Rose Park in May as part of a Nine Mile Creek Watershed District grant project. The little-known park has a remnant oak forest knoll overlooking Lake Rose. The project will continue into the fall of 2011. To see photos and a history of the project visit <http://nativeplantwildlifegarden.com/a-neighborhood-woodland-restoration-project/>. ☺



Buckthorn removal was a big part of the project. Above, buckthorn logs and branches were used to stabilize slope at the park. Photo courtesy Heather Holm.

Act now to prevent deer damage to trees

IF DEER ARE FREQUENT VISITORS IN your yard, and you also have a recently planted tree, it's important to protect your tree from mid-August through April with hardware cloth, welded wire or a plastic tree guard.

Deer can damage young, tender trees by rubbing their antlers on the thin-barked stems of deciduous trees. The resulting damage — a shredded tree trunk — kills the living tissue under the bark. It then becomes more difficult for the tree to move water and nutrients, making it susceptible to decay and decline.

Prevent damage to the stem by placing a protective, light-colored plastic tree guard around it or by fencing it off completely with welded wire or hardware cloth. If you choose the welded wire fence, be sure to use hardware cloth around the base of the tree as well to protect the stem from rodent damage in the winter.

Once the tree guard is on, make sure it fits all the way around the tree and will be tall enough to protect the bark from a rutting deer. If you choose a tree guard, be sure to remove it in the spring in order to discourage borers and allow the tree trunk to capture light and photosynthesize. Welded wire fence and hardware cloth may

be left on all year, but check it in the spring to ensure the tree hasn't outgrown it. If you forget to check it, and the tree outgrows the stem protection, the wire can girdle and kill the tree — which is just the opposite of protecting it!

For more information visit <http://www.myminnesotawoods.umn.edu/2009/12/tree-stem-protection/>. ☺



Big Ears, from the 2009 Photo Contest.

An update on Emerald ash borer

THE EMERALD ASH BORER (EAB) HAS not yet been detected in the city of Minnetonka, although city staff continues to watch for and actively plan for the eventual arrival of this pest.

The Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA) has confirmed the arrival of EAB in portions of St. Paul and in Minneapolis near Prospect Park and the West River Parkway. To stay updated on the most recent EAB finds, visit the MDA website at <http://www.mda.state.mn.us/plants/pestmanagement/eab.aspx>.

To learn more about EAB, to find out what the city is doing to prepare for it, and to be aware of the signs and symptoms, visit www.eminnetonka.com and type "emerald ash borer" into the search bar.

Or, bring your questions to the Minnetonka Farmers' Market the first Tuesday of August and September, where city forestry staff will be available. See page 1 for details on the time and location of the farmers' market. ☺

A reminder about watering guidelines

IN ORDER TO CONSERVE WATER THIS summer, please follow these watering guidelines for the city of Minnetonka:

- **No watering between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m.**
- **Even-numbered addresses** can water on even-numbered calendar days, and **odd-numbered addresses** can water on odd-numbered calendar days, before 11 a.m. and after 5 p.m.
- **Watering by handheld hose** can be done at any time.
- **Watering of new sod, seed, shrubbery or landscaping** can take place outside of restricted times if residents have obtained a permit number from Minnetonka Public Works.

- **Private wells are exempt** from these regulations, provided the well has been registered and the resident posts a furnished yard sign. For more information or to obtain a permit number, call (952) 988-8400. ☺



Photo contest entries due Friday, September 9

THE CITY OF MINNETONKA AND THE Minnetonka Community Commission are hosting the annual photo contest in conjunction with the Fire Department and City Open House. Below are this year's contest rules!

- Photographers must be residents of Minnetonka.
- Entries must be submitted by the original photographer. Do not submit a photo taken by someone other than you. Your submission of the photo and entry form is your guarantee that you are the author and copyright holder of the photo.
- Photos must be appropriate for posting in city government publications. Photos containing recognizable people must be accompanied by a signed model release form (available online at www.eminnetonka.com).
- Entries may be digital images or color or black-and-white prints. You are encouraged to submit a digital image—only digital images will be considered for the People's Choice Award. See specific rules regarding digital images.

- Prints must be labeled with name and address. If submitting multiple entries, number each print to match a corresponding entry form (see form below).
- Up to three entries may be submitted.
- Submit each photo in one of three categories:
 - **Lifestyle Minnetonka** (cityscapes, people, activities)
 - **Natural Minnetonka** (landscapes, plants)
 - **Wild Minnetonka** (animals, pets)
- Photos will not be returned and become the property of the city of Minnetonka to be used in city publications.

Digital Images

Digital images should be emailed to jlaron@eminnetonka.com or submitted on a CD. Images should be submitted in JPG (high quality) or TIFF format. Please submit digital images at the original size and resolution at which they were taken.

Images must be in natural color or black and white—sepia tone and duotone images are not eligible.

Image Modifications

Minor digital enhancement is allowed, but images that have been significantly modified or appear unnatural will be disqualified.

Deadline

All photos must be submitted by Friday, September 9, at 4:30 p.m.

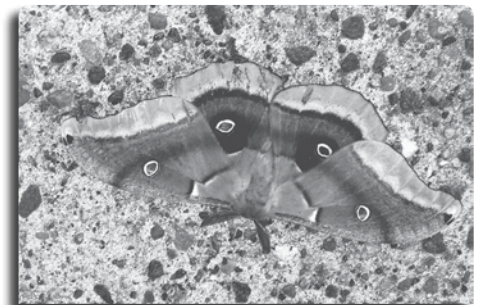
Awards

A first-, second-, and third-place entry will be selected. In addition, a People's Choice Award (digital images only) will be chosen by attendees at the Oct. 5 Open House. Winning photos will be published on the city website and in the *Minnetonka Memo*; and a certificate of appreciation will be presented to the winners at a city council meeting. ∞

A look at two of last year's entries...



Eric Raarup, "The Last Day of Summer"



Jess Quiner, "Saturneid on My Patio"

Photo contest entry form

Name _____

Address _____ Zip _____

E-mail address _____

Category: Lifestyle Minnetonka Natural Minnetonka Wild Minnetonka

Caption (*photo location, description of event*) _____

Day phone _____ Age (if under 18) _____

Mail (or drop off) entries to:

Minnetonka Photo Contest
City of Minnetonka
14600 Minnetonka Blvd.
Minnetonka, MN 55345

City employees and their families are not eligible to enter. Questions? Call (952) 939-8207.

Skating lessons start September 13

SIGN UP FOR FALL/WINTER SKATING lessons with the Minnetonka Ice Arena's All Season Skating School! The lesson program is endorsed by the Ice Skating Institute and offers instruction for skaters ages 3 and up, including adults.

Class information and registration materials are available by calling the Minnetonka Ice Arena at (952) 939-8310 or visiting the city of Minnetonka website at www.eminnetonka.com. The 12-week session begins September 13. Register nowspace is limited! ☺



Photo courtesy Joanie Michaud.

Attend an August outdoor concert

THE LAST MUSIC IN THE PARK concert takes place Tuesday, August 9, 7–8:30 p.m., at the outdoor amphitheater at the Minnetonka Civic Center Campus, 14600 Minnetonka Blvd., Minnetonka, with a performance by Brio Brass (30-piece, brassy jazz).

Depending on weather, rescheduled concerts may take place after August 9—please check www.eminnetonka.com for an updated schedule. ☺

Join these August adult programs

DO YOU WANT TO PARTICIPATE IN engaging and lively activities that provide mental and/or physical exercise, and provide social interaction? Below is just a sample of the exciting activities offered each month for adults, all of which are advertised in a weekly email as well as a free monthly publication, the *Minnetonka Script*. Subscribe to one or both of these publications by visiting www.eminnetonka.com, or contact Nicole Gorman at ngorman@eminnetonka.com or (952) 939-8369.

Special Events

Garden Club

August 8, 12:15 p.m.
Meet at the Minnetonka Community Center, then carpool to Nuernberg Gardens for a guided tour. No charge. New members welcome.

Two-Mile Hike

August 8, 9 a.m.
Hike north of Purgatory Creek. Call (952) 939-8393 for information.

Keep Your Joints Happy

August 10, 10:30 a.m.
Cost is \$2, due by August 8.

Community Connections

August 17, 10:15 a.m.
If you have questions about home repair loans or code compliance, come visit with Elise Durbin, city of Minnetonka community development supervisor. RSVP for this free event by August 15—call (952) 939-8393.

Pork Chop Dinner

August 15, 4:30 & 5:30 p.m.
Cost is \$7, due by August 8.

Zumba Gold Demo

August 22, 1 p.m.
Enjoy a free Zumba Gold preview—classes start in September. RSVP for the demo by August 19—call (952) 939-8393.



Fall Fitness Fest

Sept. 13 & 14
Enjoy the second Fall Fitness Fest program. Cost is \$10 for two days of activities, a light breakfast on Tuesday and lunch on Wednesday. Registration deadline is Sept. 9. For more information call (952) 939-8393.

Defensive Driving Classes

To register, call the Minnesota Safety Center at 1-888-234-1294 or visit www.mnsafetycenter.org. AAA members receive \$3 off class registration by providing member number and expiration date.

Four-Hour Day Course

August 18, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Refreshments provided (no meal).
Cost: \$20. ☺

Williston Center hosts open house September 18

THE WILLISTON FITNESS CENTER will host an open house Sunday, Sept. 18, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Bring your whole family for activities for all ages, and don't forget your gear to work out, swim or climb in the Treehouse, the new indoor play structure. This event is free to everyone. ☺



New indoor play structure: the Treehouse



Everyone can help protect lake habitat

LAKES ARE AN IMPORTANT PART OF Minnesota life, providing the backdrop for recreational activities, homes and commercial businesses. Protecting these valuable resources is important not only to preserve an important Minnesota treasure, but also to protect the remaining freshwater sources on the planet.

Curb=shoreline

If you don't live on or near a lake, you're not off the hook — your practices can still affect the quality of these waters. Substances that run off yards, driveways and streets enter lakes via the storm water system. Oil from leaky cars, pop bottles and candy wrappers, nutrients and pesticides from lawn care practices, pet feces, eroded soil and yard debris like grass clippings, leaves and twigs can all harm the lake environment. When nutrients enter the lakes they essentially fertilize the water, allowing excess algae and invasive weeds to grow. So remember, every curb is a shoreline!

Follow these tips to help protect lakes:

- Properly apply and minimize the use of fertilizers and pesticides, or better yet, don't use them at all.



- Wash your car on the grass so soapy water is absorbed by the turf.
- Pick up after your pet.
- Use rain barrels to collect water that would normally run into the street, then use the collected water to irrigate plants.
- Pick up litter to keep it out of lakes.
- Closer to the lake, plant a buffer of native vegetation to reduce the amount of nutrients entering the lake. This also helps deter geese and stabilizes the shoreline.
- Avoid using coal tar-based driveway sealants which can contaminate waters.
- During the winter, use salt only if needed to de-ice sidewalks, and always shovel first.

About invasive species

Many lakes are polluted not only by nutrients and contaminants from runoff, but also are compromised by invasive species that compete with native animal and plant life. To protect lake health and diversity it's essential to control the spread of invasives, like zebra mussels and Eurasian water milfoil.

Zebra mussels, first transported to the United States in 1988, filter about one gallon of water per day, per mussel. Although they increase water clarity, they effectively remove animals and algae that are an important part of the food chain. In some areas this has caused various fish and invertebrate species to decline. Boaters can help prevent the spread of zebra mussels before launching and before leaving by:

- Draining live wells.
- Removing hitchhiking mussels from boats that have been in infested waters.
- Disposing of unwanted bait on land.
- Rinsing equipment with high pressure or hot water (at least 104 degrees Fahrenheit).
- Cleaning off any vegetation on boats, motors or trailers.

Removing all vegetation attached to watercraft will also help prevent the spread of Eurasian water milfoil, an invasive plant that prohibits the amount of light reaching the depths of lakes, killing more desirable native plants. Only a few inches of the milfoil plant are needed for it to grow new roots and infest another lake. ☺



Seasonal job opening: natural resource inspector

THE CITY OF MINNETONKA IS ACCEPTING applications for a natural resource inspector to assist with natural resource permit review and compliance. Applicants must complete a city application form. To obtain an application, call the JobLine at (952) 939-8212 or visit www.eminnetonka.com. For more information, contact Aaron Schwartz at (952) 988-8422 or aschwartz@eminnetonka.com. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. ☺

Recreation offers e-newsletter

REGISTER TODAY FOR GET ACTIVE, the new Recreation Services E-Newsletter! Get Active includes updates on city facilities, new program offerings, registration deadlines, and upcoming special events. Don't miss out on the latest recreation information! Sign up for the Get Active distribution list at www.eminnetonka.com or by calling Recreation Services at (952) 939-8203. ☺

Caregiving event is September 10

IF YOU ARE A CAREGIVER FOR A FRIEND, relative or spouse, or if you expect to fill that role in the future, don't miss this caregiving resource event hosted by the Minnetonka Senior Center. "Caregiving: A Road Map to Success" will be held Saturday, September 10, from 9 a.m. to noon at the Minnetonka Community Center, 14600 Minnetonka Boulevard, Minnetonka. Enjoy a vendor fair and door prizes, as well as the following featured speakers:

- John Gunyou, Minnetonka City Manager
- Warren Wolfe, Star Tribune columnist
- Jan Malcom, Courage Center
- Annette Sandler, Jewish Family & Children's Services of Minneapolis

For more information call (952) 939-8393 or visit www.eminnetonka.com. ☺

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Calendar

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Call (952) 939-8200
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locations.

S	M	T	W	T	F	S	Call (952) 939-8200 for meeting locations.
	1	2	3	4	5	6	1 City Council special study session, 5:30 p.m. (<i>Topic: boards and commissions interviews</i>); regular meeting: 6:30 p.m.
7	8	9	10	11	12	13	9 Senior Advisory Board, 10 a.m.
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	18 Planning Commission, 6:30 p.m.
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	22 City Council, 6:30 p.m.; Community Commission, 6:30 p.m.
28	29	30	31				25 Economic Development Advisory Commission, 6 p.m.
							29 City Council study session, 6:30 p.m. (<i>Topic: 2012 budget</i>)

All meetings listed above are open to the public. Meeting dates and times are subject to change—please check www.eminnetonka.com for the latest information.

Minnetonka City Council and Planning Commission meetings are broadcast live on cable channel 16, and replays are available Mondays and Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.; Fridays and Saturdays at noon, or anytime via videostream at www.eminnetonka.com. Agendas for council meetings are available on the city's website by the Friday afternoon prior to the meeting, and planning commission agendas are available by the Monday prior to the meeting.

Staying informed about city projects

THE CITY REGULARLY RECEIVES applications for projects that require planning commission and/or city council approval. Information on these, as well as many other city projects, is regularly updated on the city's website. If you'd like to stay informed, visit "MyMinnetonka" at www.eminnetonka.com—click on "MyMinnetonka" under "Top Picks." Through MyMinnetonka, you can learn about new projects in the city; provide online feedback on projects during their approval process, and receive email updates on projects. Planning commission meeting agendas are posted the Monday prior to the meeting. Visit www.eminnetonka.com for information. ∞

Handmade gifts at The Landing Shop

IF YOU NEED A UNIQUE GIFT, THE LANDING Shop is for you! Browse and buy handmade toys, doll clothes and furniture, sweaters, quilts, towels, booties and more. The shop is open Wednesdays through Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information call (763) 591-4868 or visit www.eminnetonka.com (search "the landing shop"). The Landing Shop is a recreational program offered by the city of Minnetonka for area seniors. ∞



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