

minnetonka memo

A Newsletter from the City of Minnetonka
May 2008

Register now for Minnetonka Summer Festival events

BRING THE ENTIRE FAMILY TO THE Minnetonka Summer Festival Saturday, June 28, for children's rides, a petting zoo, ice skating, musical entertainment and much more! It all takes place on the grounds of the Minnetonka Civic Center campus.

Also on June 28, don't miss the Old-Fashioned Ice Cream Social at Burwell House, complete with free tours, entertainment, antique market, fine arts fair and food concessions.

The day will conclude with the annual fireworks display—a grand finale to the day's events. A detailed schedule of events will be published in the June *Minnetonka Memo*.

Registrations are being accepted now for the following events held in conjunction with the Summer Festival:

8K Race, Two-Mile Fun Run and Children's Tot Trot

Starting at 7:30 a.m. June 28, this certified 8K race course travels through a beautiful wooded area that is generally flat, with some rolling hills. The Two-Mile Fun Run starts at 8:45 a.m., followed by the Children's Tot Trot at 10 a.m. Races begin and end in front of the Minnetonka Ice Arena. Call (952) 939-8203 to register or for more information.

Softball Tournament

This one-day men's softball tournament is held Saturday, June 28, at Big Willow Park in Minnetonka and Central Park in Hopkins. The tournament is limited to 12 teams with each team guaranteed at least three games. Awards are presented to the top three teams. Entry fee is \$99 per team. Call (952) 939-8203 to request a registration form.

Adult/Child Golf Tournament

A family-oriented golf tournament will be held Saturday, June 28, at 8 a.m. (check-in between 7:00–7:15 a.m.) at the Glen Lake Golf and Practice Center in Minnetonka. The tournament uses a shotgun start, with special contests throughout the tournament. The entry fee of \$28 per team includes a meal at the Minnetonka Summer Festival. Children must be at least 8 years of age and experienced golfers. Call (952) 939-8203 to register and refer to Course #13996.

Art Fair applications due May 15

Artists are invited to apply to exhibit at the Burwell House Old-Fashioned Ice Cream Social Saturday, June 28, 2008, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Charles H. Burwell House, 13209 E. McGinty Road, Minnetonka. This is a juried art fair. Artist applications are due by 4:30 p.m. Thursday,

May 15, 2008. Application materials are available online at www.eminnetonka.com or by contacting Jacque Larson at jl Larson@eminnetonka.com or (952) 939-8207. Results of the jury process will be released by Friday, May 30, 2008.

An invitation to antique vendors

Antique vendors are invited to apply to be part of the antique market at the Burwell House Old-Fashioned Ice Cream Social Saturday, June 28, 2008, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Applications and exhibit guidelines are available at www.eminnetonka.com or by contacting Chuck Donley, antique market coordinator, at (952) 988-9797. ☺



Provide input on the comprehensive guide plan

THE COMPREHENSIVE GUIDE PLAN steering committee has been meeting for more than a year considering all aspects of Minnetonka's future, most recently discussing future land use, transportation, sustainability and housing. Planning work will continue throughout May and June.

Don't miss these remaining opportunities to provide input as final recommendations are formulated for the planning commission and city council!



Tuesday, May 20, 5–7 p.m.

Minnetonka Community Center

Open house to review proposed future land use designations and policies.

Wednesday, May 28, 7–8:30 a.m.

**Boards and Commissions,
Minnetonka City Hall**

Stop in any time to enjoy coffee and rolls while discussing future plans for the city.

Tuesday, July 22

The Minnetonka Planning Commission will host an official public hearing regarding the comprehensive guide plan document. See planning commission agenda for time and location. ☺

Want to serve your country? Be an election judge!

SERVING AS AN ELECTION JUDGE IS A great way to meet your neighbors and protect one of our most cherished freedoms—the right to vote. Election judges ensure that the voting process goes smoothly and honestly. Judges are needed for both the State Primary on September 9, 2008, and the State General Election on November 4, 2008. This is a paid opportunity and training is provided. For more information visit www.eminnetonka.com or call Laura Ronbeck at (952) 939-8219. ☺

An update on inflow and infiltration

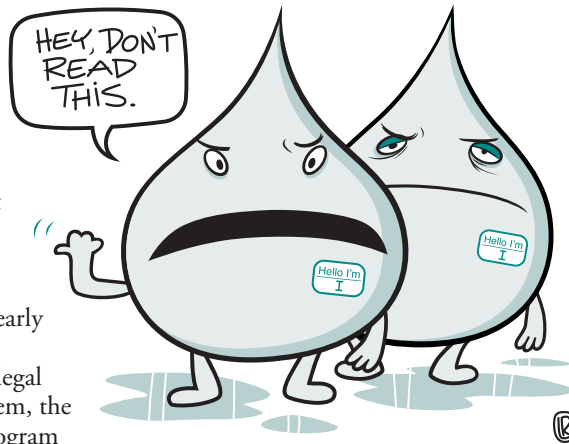
AS PART OF THE CITY OF Minnetonka's five-year effort to reduce the flow of clear water, or inflow and infiltration, into the Met Council's overburdened sanitary sewer collection, home inspections are underway throughout the city to identify possible sources of clear water discharge. So far inspections have been completed and water meters have been installed at nearly 7,000 homes.

If a homeowner is found to have illegal discharge into the sanitary sewer system, the city is providing a matching grant program to assist homeowners in making repairs. So far, the city has provided 63 grants totaling \$14,271 to help residents repair discovered I and I problems.

Along with an inflow and infiltration (I and I) inspection, each homeowner is receiving an upgraded water meter. These new meters feature automated reading via radio technology, allowing meters to be read by driving through neighborhoods rather than stopping at each home and reading each meter manually. This will also allow residents more timely information on water use.

All inspections and water meter installations are being conducted by the SL-serco company, not by city inspectors. The only tasks of these outside contractors are to conduct the I and I inspection and to install a new water meter. Inspectors will ask homeowners a few questions, including the following:

- Does your home have a sump pump? If so, does it discharge to the exterior of the home, and does it use rigid piping?



- Does your home have a passive foundation drain?
- Was your sump pump installed less than or more than 10 years ago?
- How often does your sump pump run?
- Are you aware of any areas in your immediate neighborhood where water collects?
- Do you have an outside foundation drain water collection system and/or beaver system?
- Does your downspout discharge underground? If so, do you know where?

Answers to these questions will help determine what areas of the community are susceptible to inflow and infiltration.

Residents slated for inspection have been receiving notification via mail of the inspection and meter installation details.

For more information visit www.eminnetonka.com or call (952) 988-8400. ☺

Welcome spring with music

THE MUSIC ASSOCIATION OF Minnetonka will present several concerts in May. Dates, times and locations are listed below. For more information call (952) 401-5954 or visit www.musicassociation.org.

Welcome Spring Concerts

Symphony Orchestra and Symphony Chorus

Sunday, May 4, 7:30 pm

Wayzata Community Church
125 E. Wayzata Blvd, Wayzata

Sunday, May 11, 7:30 pm

Arts Center on 7
18285 Highway 7, Minnetonka

Music for Spring Concert

Symphony Chorus and Choral Reflections

Friday, May 16, 7:30 pm

Messiah Methodist Church
17805 County Road 6, Plymouth

Voices of Spring Concert

Youth Cappella, Concert and Chamber Choirs

Saturday, May 17, 7:30 pm

Cross View Lutheran Church
6645 West McCauley Trail, Edina

Celebration in Song

Choral Reflections of Minnetonka

Sunday, June 1, 7 p.m.

St. Stephen Lutheran Church
8400 France Ave. S., Bloomington

New this year: Burwell House tours start on Saturdays in May!

NEW THIS YEAR, THE CHARLES H. Burwell House will open the tour season early! Visitors may tour the house Saturdays only in May, from noon to 4 p.m., starting May 10.

Regular tour hours start June 3 and continue through August 30, with the house open Tuesdays from noon to 3 p.m. and Saturdays from noon to 4 p.m. Special group tours also can be arranged.

The Burwell House, located at 13209 East McGinty Road, has been meticulously restored and furnished to its 1894 state, and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Take a guided tour and learn about Minnetonka's early history, the Burwell family, flour milling and Victorian times.

New acquisitions and exhibits are always being added. In addition, the Burwell House is air conditioned so individuals may comfortably tour the home even on the hottest of summer days!

Plan a picnic along Minnehaha Creek, add a tour to your bike trip on the trail system, or bring guests for one of the best historic house museums in the area! And, mark your calendar now for the Old-Fashioned Ice Cream Social, held on the Burwell House grounds Saturday, June 28 — check out the June *Minnetonka Memo* for specific times and activities.

For more information about Burwell House tours, or to schedule a special group tour, call (952) 939-8219 or email ironbeck@eminnetonka.com. ☺



Door-to-door sales in Minnetonka

MANY LEGITIMATE ORGANIZATIONS go door-to-door to sell their products or ask for donations. However, there may be “enterprising” individuals whose goals are less than honorable. The city of Minnetonka Ordinance for Peddlers, Solicitors and Canvassers (Section 630) requires peddlers and solicitors to have a license.

When a peddler or solicitor knocks on your door, ask to see their license (a city-issued photo identification card). If the person is unable to produce the identification card, immediately call the Minnetonka Police Department at (952) 939-8500 and report the violation. Regulations are as follows:

- For-profit sale of products or services requires a license from the city. Only licensed peddlers and solicitors will have photo identification card issued by the city. The city does not endorse nor research a specific product or service by the issuing of this license.
- Charitable organizations conducting door-to-door sales or solicitations do not need a license. However, the city does request that charitable organizations register at City Hall, with proof of their tax-exempt status.
- Every resident and business has the right to prohibit peddlers and solicitors from their property. If you post a sign on your home or business that prohibits solicitors, they are not permitted to approach your property.
- For more information, or to see a current list of city-registered non-profit and for-profit organizations, visit www.eminnetonka.com and click on “Licenses” under “Most Requested” on the right side of the page. ☺

Receive crime alerts via email

WANT TO RECEIVE CRIME ALERTS, crime prevention tips and information about Minnetonka Police Department programs and events via email? Then sign up for ePrevent, a new service from the Minnetonka Police Department. Visit and click on “Police” then “Crime Prevention” then “ePrevent.” Information used for this purpose is confidential. For more information contact Nicole Nelson, crime prevention analyst, at nnelson@eminnetonka.com or (952) 939-8546. ☺

Get to know your neighbor!

OFTENTIMES, LIFE GETS SO BUSY WE don’t slow down to develop friendly relationships with our neighbors. However, the value of neighborly interaction should not be overlooked — it helps prevent crime and encourages a happy and safe neighborhood.

It’s also important to work with your neighbors and talk through concerns about maintaining properties. The city of Minnetonka deals with more than 500 nuisance complaints each year, many of which might have been resolved sooner and more amicably with a friendly neighbor-to-neighbor discussion.

It doesn’t take much to strengthen neighborhood relationships and could be as simple as an offer to mow the lawn, put out and take in recycling and garbage containers, watch pets and/or generally keep an eye on the empty house while neighbors are on vacation. If you know a neighbor who is sick, elderly or disabled, consider asking that person if there is something small you might do to help occasionally.

These simple acts of kindness can lay the groundwork for honest conversations about preserving Minnetonka’s clean and attractive neighborhoods. If you have a neighborhood concern, try these tips for communicating with your neighbor:

- Be honest, be kind, and be tactful. Your neighbors have feelings too.
- Focus on the situation or behavior and the effects on the neighborhood.
- Offer solutions and help in addressing the situation or project.
- Look for “win-win” solutions.

Most people want to work with their neighbors and are unaware they have offended a neighboring property owner with their situation or behavior. A simple conversation is usually all that is needed to clarify the concern. As difficult as it may seem, people prefer to be approached about concerns first, rather than getting a complaint placed against their property via the city.

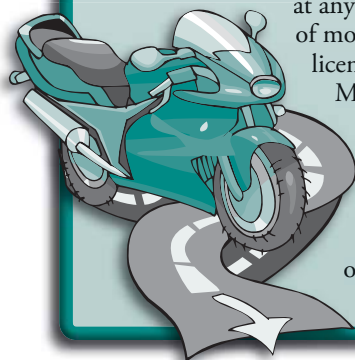
Sometimes, it helps to have a neutral party lead the discussion between neighbors. In these cases, the city of Minnetonka provides a free mediation service to talk through neighborhood concerns. This service has been used by many neighborhoods and works very well.

Take that first step to get to know your neighbors. Remember to offer a helping hand and work to develop strong relationships. ☺

Motorcycle instruction permits

THINKING ABOUT BUYING A motorcycle? Remember, you must have a motorcycle endorsement on your driver’s license in order to legally operate a motorcycle.

The first step in earning that endorsement is to obtain a motorcycle instruction permit, available by passing a written exam at any department of motor vehicle licensing location.



Motorcycle instruction permits are valid for one year from the date of issue, during which time

certain restrictions are placed on the permit holder for operating their motorcycle:

- Cannot carry any passengers on the streets and/or highways,
- Cannot drive at night.
- Cannot drive on any highway marked as an interstate highway.
- Cannot drive without wearing a protective helmet.

Instruction permits offer the new motorcyclist numerous opportunities to operate and practice under real-life traffic situations. However, keep in mind that until the actual motorcycle endorsement is earned, the above driving situations must be avoided. ☺

TRAFFIC
DRIVER

Don't forget these natural resource events!

Celebrate Arbor Month

May 13, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Celebrate Arbor Month at Lone Lake Park, 5624 Shady Oak Road, Minnetonka and help reforest areas where trees have been lost in the last few years to storms and disease. Enjoy digging in the soil, learning how to plant a tree and enhancing the environment in this community park! Snacks and planting supplies will be provided. Participants will receive a Tree City USA t-shirt, tree seedlings, and tree care information packets.

Dress for the weather and bring gardening gloves, questions and fresh spring air enthusiasm! This event is free of charge and all ages are welcome. Enter the park from Shady Oak Road then take a left down the hill to the lower parking lot. For more information call Emily Barbeau, city forester, at (952) 988-8400.

Frog and Turtle Talk

May 20, 6:30 p.m.

Why do turtles cross the road? What is that frog call you hear outside your window? Learn the answer to these questions and more at a frog and turtle seminar Tuesday, May 20, at 6:30 p.m. at the Minnetonka Community Center, 14600 Minnetonka Boulevard, Minnetonka. During this workshop, led by Madeleine Linck of the Three Rivers Park District, you'll also learn common frog and toad calls and get tips to help make your yard more inviting for these lovable "herps."

If you'd like to attend, RSVP to the Minnetonka Public Works at (952) 988-8400. Interested children are welcome if accompanied by an adult.

Organic Lawn Care Workshop

May 22, 6 p.m.

Create a healthy, organic lawn with the help of Organic Bob. Learn to rebuild your lawn from the soil up, while protecting the quality of your water and keeping lawns safe for children and pets! Free soil test kits available at workshop. Workshop is held at the South Shore Center, 5735 Country Club Road, Shorewood. Reservations are encouraged — RSVP to the city of Shorewood at (952) 474-3236 or to jlandini@ci.shorewood.mn.us. Each workshop will offer 25 rain barrels to attendees — \$40 for Minnehaha Creek Watershed District residents and \$60 to others. Co-sponsored by the cities of Minnetonka, Shorewood, Deephaven, Tonka Bay, Excelsior and Chanhassen.



Rain Garden Workshops

If you're interested in learning how to manage yard runoff by installing a rain garden, consider attending a Metro Blooms rain garden workshop. You'll learn how to design and install rain gardens using native plants, ornamental grasses, trees and shrubs; as well as learning about eco-friendly lawn care. Workshop is \$10 per household. Dates, times and locations are listed below — Minnetonka residents may attend any of the workshops.

- **A10: May 15, 6:30 p.m.**, St. Barnabas Lutheran Church, 15600 Old Rockford Road, **Plymouth**
- **A11: May 17, 10 a.m.**, St. Paul Park City Hall, 600 Portland Ave., **St. Paul Park**
- **A12: May 21, 6:30 p.m.**, Savage City Hall, 6000 McColl Drive, **Savage**
- **A13: May 22, 6:30 p.m.**, Hopkins Activity Center, 33-14th Ave. N., **Hopkins**
- **A14: June 3, 6:30 p.m.**, Crystal Community Center, 4800 Douglas Drive N., **Crystal**
- **A15: June 5, 6:30 p.m.**, Minnetonka Community Center, 14600 Minnetonka Blvd., **Minnetonka**
- **A16: June 9, 6:30 p.m.**, Lynnhurst Recreation Center, 1345 W. Minnehaha Ave., **Minneapolis**
- **A17: June 10, 6:30 p.m.**, Youth/Scout Building, 1101 Adam St., **Shakopee**

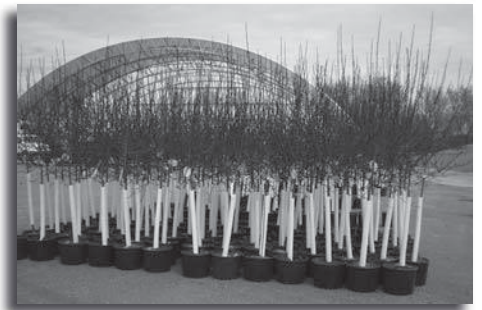
To register by mail, send a check payable to Metro Blooms to Noelle Hechtman, 3629 Quebec Avenue South, St. Louis Park, MN 55426. Include your name, address and zip code, phone number with area code, email address, and the workshop number. Space is limited so register early. For a complete list of dates and locations visit www.metroblooms.org. Workshops are sponsored in part by the city of Minnetonka. ☺

Tree sale remains popular

DURING THIS YEAR'S TREE SALE, residents bought 1,857 trees, a 31 percent increase over the last year's inaugural tree sale. More than 940 Minnetonka households and town home associations participated in the program, which is up 33% from last year.

Given time to grow and tender loving care, more than 1,000 sugar maple, swamp white oak, red oak, river birch, hackberry and basswood trees offered through this program will become large shade trees. Residents will also plant 425 Minnesota-strain redbud and Japanese tree lilacs, which are flowering specimen trees suitable for planting under power lines. New this year the city offered 425 serviceberry and nannyberry, large shrubs excellent for habitat restoration after buckthorn removal.

Thank you to all the residents who participated in the program! ☺



City considers tree ordinance

THE CITY HAS RECEIVED CONSIDERABLE input during public meetings and open houses indicating that natural resources, especially trees, are highly valued by residents. The city also receives regular feedback from residents about tree removal when properties are developed, and community surveys consistently indicate strong support for tree preservation. In response, the city has been considering changes to its tree ordinance that would both protect trees and respect individual property rights.

After a year of discussion and opportunities for public input, a proposed tree protection ordinance was introduced at the April 21, 2008, Minnetonka City Council meeting. The city council then referred the matter to the Minnetonka Planning Commission.

Additional opportunities will be available throughout the month of May for residents to provide input, both at public hearings and through an online survey. Please check www.eminnetonka.com for updates on the tree protection ordinance, opportunities for public input, and the online survey. ☺

Ten tips for a healthy lawn

WANT TO PROTECT THE NATURAL environment while still maintaining your lawn? Follow these ten tips!

1. Keep the storm drain clean. Cleaning leaves, twigs, and debris from the storm drain is easy, helps keep our waters clean, and reduces flooding. Make it part of your weekly routine or check it after every rain. Compost the material or dispose of it with your yard waste or garbage.
2. Don't fertilize brown grass. Apply fertilizers only as needed and to actively growing grass. Have a soil test to determine if, and how much, fertilizer is needed before you apply it. Misapplied fertilizer not only is wasted but will wash into lakes, creeks, and wetlands where it can encourage the growth of algae and weeds.
3. Seed areas of exposed soil. Seeding exposed soil can help prevent erosion and weeds. Seed turf grasses in the spring or fall, if you can, to avoid watering. Fine fescues generally are more shade and drought tolerant and require less mowing. Consider using wood mulch in areas with deep shade and around trees, rather than continued reseeding.
4. Mow smarter, not harder. Setting your mower higher (3 inches) and keeping your blade sharp can help keep your grass greener and healthier. Using a mulching mower for one year can supply as many nutrients as one

fertilizer application. Remember to keep the clippings on your lawn, not the street!

5. Avoid working wet soil. Grading or driving equipment across your lawn when the soil is wet can hasten soil compaction. Putting down plywood or a heavy layer of wood mulch in the path of equipment can help prevent some compaction. Avoid working within the critical root zone of trees, regardless of soil moisture, to prevent potential tree stress or loss due to soil compaction.
6. Cover your stockpiles. Covering piles of soil, sand, and other materials with tarps helps prevent erosion and material loss. It is also easier to work with dry materials. Bury silt fence four to six inches deep downslope of areas of exposed soil to prevent erosion into the street, onto adjacent properties, and towards protected waters such as lakes, creeks, and wetlands.
7. Water only when needed. Don't water in the heat of the day when evaporation is high. Water in the early morning if you can; otherwise, in the late afternoon and only when needed. Most trees, shrubs, and other plants grow best if watered deeply as needed rather than frequent shallow watering.
8. Pull and smother weeds. You can pull weeds easily after it rains and smother patches of creeping charlie with a few sheets of newspapers and wet leaves rather than using herbicides over your whole yard. If you do

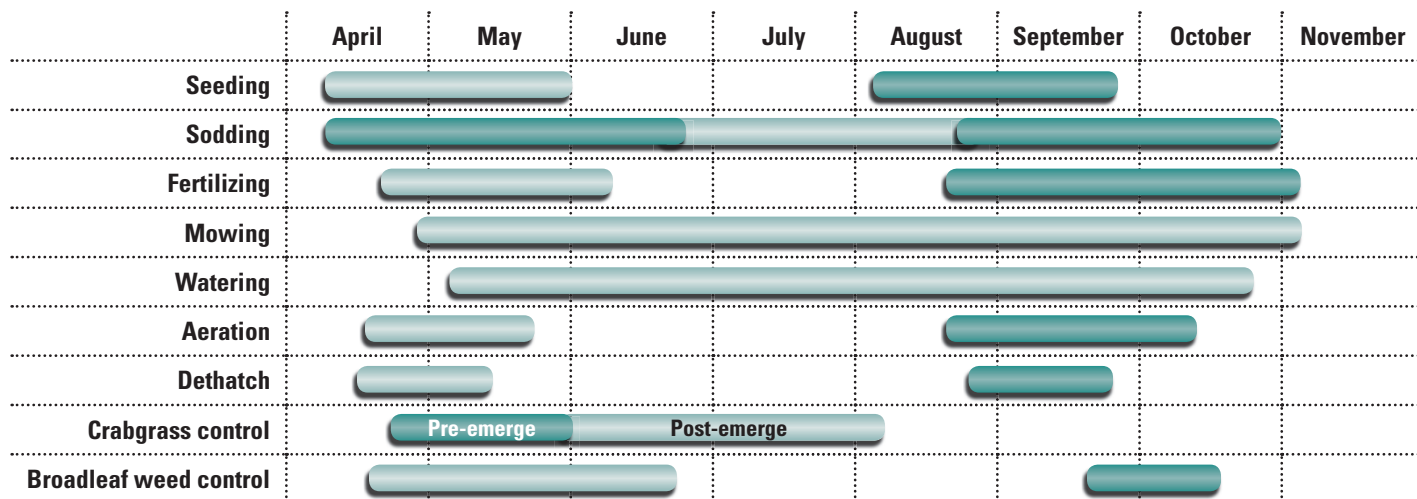
use herbicides, consider using a spot sprayer to avoid waste and watch for overspray. Using clean wood mulch around plantings can help control weeds, but avoid plastic weed barriers that prevent the transport of air, water, and nutrients into the soil.

9. Choose the right plant. Check the plant tag or other resources to determine the ideal conditions for the plant (shade tolerance, moisture needs, soil preference, etc.) before you buy it. Avoid species that will not grow well in your yard. You can often find similar-looking plants that will thrive in your yard. Plant deep-rooted and drought-tolerant species in the dry areas of your yard to avoid watering.
10. Consider native vegetation. Native trees, shrubs, grasses, and wildflowers are better adapted to our soils and climate and often require less maintenance once established. You can turn a section of your lawn into a small wildflower garden, woodland patch, or prairie meadow. Choose plants with fruits, flowers, or nuts to attract birds and butterflies. Using plants that bloom and fruit in different months can attract wildlife all year long.

If you are planning a construction or landscape project, be certain to check with the city to see if a permit is required or regarding any regulations that may apply before you start. ∞

Lawn Care Guide

Post this information in your garage or shed for handy reference.



[Light bar] Indicates time of year when this lawn practice can be done.
 [Dark bar] Indicates best time of year to carry out this lawn practice.

This information provided courtesy of the cities of Burnsville, Apple Valley, and Lakeville; Minnesota Department of Agriculture; University of Minnesota; Dakota County Master Gardeners; Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board; Metropolitan Council; Dakota County Environmental Education Program.

2007 Minnetonka Drinking Water Report



THE CITY OF MINNETONKA IS ISSUING the results of monitoring done on its drinking water for the period from January 1 to December 31, 2007. Each of the past ten years, Minnetonka Public Works has distributed this annual report to summarize drinking water quality for the previous year; advance residents' understanding of drinking water; and heighten awareness of the need to protect precious water resources. This year, the report delivers good news: no contaminants were detected at levels that violated federal drinking water standards.

This report fulfills an obligation the city's water utility has to provide accurate and timely information about your drinking water and the city's water system. If you have questions about your drinking water, please contact Jim Malone at jmalone@eminnetonka.com or call (952) 988-8400. For information about opportunities for public participation in decisions that may affect the quality of water, please contact Minnetonka Public Works at (952) 988-8400.

Water source

The city of Minnetonka operates 18 wells ranging in depth from 405 to 575 feet that draw water from the Prairie du Chien-Jordan aquifer.

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or human activity.

Before a water source is used for a supply, it is tested for contaminants and other water quality parameters. Test results for the city of Minnetonka water supply are listed on the next page. The water provided

to customers may meet drinking water standards but the Minnesota Department of Health has also made a determination as to how vulnerable the source of water may be to future contamination incidents.

If you wish to obtain the entire source water assessment regarding your drinking water, please call (651) 201-4700 or (800) 818-9318 (press 5) during normal business hours. The report may also be viewed online at www.health.state.mn.us/divs/eh/water/swp/swa.

Are contaminants a concern?

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers.

EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800) 426 4791.

Drinking water regulations

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health


risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800) 426 4791.



Lawn watering schedule

To effectively conserve the community's water resources, city of Minnetonka ordinances permit watering under the following conditions:

- 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 day before 11 a.m. and after 5 p.m.
- Watering by handheld hose can be done at any time.
- Water 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. 

Laboratory Results for Minnetonka Tap Water: 2007

While no contaminants were detected at levels that violate federal drinking water standards, some other contaminants were detected in trace amounts that were below legal limits. The table that follows shows the contaminants that were detected last year. (Some contaminants are sampled less frequently than once a year; as a result, not all contaminants were sampled for in 2007. If any of these contaminants were detected the last time they were sampled for, they are included in the table along with the date the detection occurred.)

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- **Microbial contaminants**, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.
- **Inorganic contaminants**, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.
- **Pesticides and herbicides**, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential uses.
- **Organic chemical contaminants**, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems.
- **Radioactive contaminants**, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

Water Testing Terms and Definitions

MCLG — Maximum Contaminant Level Goal

The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

MCL — Maximum Contaminant Level

The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

MRDL — Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level

MRDLG — Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal

AL — Action Level

The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirement which a water system must follow.

90th Percentile Level

This is the value obtained after disregarding 10 percent of the samples taken that had the highest levels. (For example, in a situation in which ten samples were taken, the 90th percentile level is determined by disregarding the highest

result, which represents 10 percent of the samples.) *Note:* In situations in which only five samples are taken, the average of the two with the highest levels is taken to determine the 90th percentile level.

pCi/l — PicoCuries per liter

A measure of radioactivity.

ppb — Parts per billion

This can also be expressed as micrograms per liter (µg/l).

ppm — Parts per million

This can also be expressed as milligrams per liter (mg/l).

nd — No Detection

N/A — Not Applicable

Does not apply.

Average/result

This is the value used to determine compliance with federal standards. It sometimes is the highest value detected and sometimes is an average of all detected values. If it is an average, it may contain sampling results from the previous year.

Contaminant (units)	Units of Measure	MCL	MCLG	Range (2007)	Average/result	Typical Source of Contaminant
Alpha Emitters	pCi/l	15.4	0	N/A	10.7	Erosion of natural deposits.
Barium	ppm	2	2	N/A	0.15	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries, erosion of natural deposits
Combined Radium	pCi/l	5.4	0	N/A	5.4	Erosion of natural deposits
Fluoride	ppm	4	4	1.1 – 1.3	1.2	State of Minnesota requires all municipal water systems to add fluoride to the drinking water to promote strong teeth; erosion of natural deposits; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Haloacetic acids	ppb	60	0	N/A	7	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Nitrate (as nitrogen)	ppm	10	10	nd – 0.37	0.37	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits
TTHM (total trihalomethanes)	ppb	80	0	N/A	14.7	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Radon	pCi/l	--	--	N/A	26	Erosion of natural deposits

Radon is a radioactive gas which is naturally occurring in some groundwater. It poses a lung cancer risk when gas is released from water into air (as occurs during showering, bathing, or washing dishes or clothes) and a stomach cancer risk when it is ingested. Because radon in indoor air poses a much greater health risk than radon in drinking water, an Alternative Maximum Contaminant Level (AMCL) of 4,000 picoCuries per liter may apply in states that have adopted an Indoor Air Program, which compels citizens, homeowners, schools, and communities to reduce the radon threat from indoor air. For states without such a program, the Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) of 300 pCi/l may apply. Minnesota plans to adopt an Indoor Air Program once the Radon Rule is finalized..

Contaminant (units)	Units of Measure	MRDL	MRDLG	Monthly Average	Highest Quarterly Avg.	Typical Source of Contaminant
Chlorine	ppm	4	4	0.3 (Lowest) – 2.8 (Highest)	0.65	Water additive used to control microbes

Contaminant (units)	Units of Measure	AL	MCLG	90% Level	# sites over AL	Typical Source of Contaminant
Copper	ppm	1.3	N/A	1.26	3 out of 30	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits
Lead	ppm	15	N/A	nd	0 out of 30	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. The city of Minnetonka is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When water has been sitting for several hours, minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing the tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If there are concerns about lead in the water, consider having the water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods and steps you can take to minimize exposure are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at www.epa.gov/safewater/lead.

Unregulated contaminants

Some contaminants do not have Maximum Contaminant Levels established for them. These unregulated contaminants are assessed using state standards known as health risk limits to determine if they pose a threat to human health. If unacceptable levels of an unregulated contaminant are found, the response is the same as if an MCL has been exceeded; the water system must inform its customers and take other corrective actions. In the table that follows are the unregulated contaminants that were detected:

Contaminant (units)	Units of Measure	Range (2007)	Average/result	Typical Source of Contaminant
Sodium	ppm	5.1 – 11	11	Erosion of natural deposits
Sulfate	ppm	1.57 – 6.87	6.87	Erosion of natural deposits



2008 MINNETONKA RECYCLING UPDATE

Special one-day drop-off

Minnetonka residents may drop off the materials listed below. The charge for dropping off each item, if any, is listed in parentheses.

- **Air conditioner or water softener (\$20)**
- **Appliances (\$12 each)**
Washer, dryer, dishwasher, stove, oven, cooktop, microwave, freezer, refrigerator, water heater, home furnace, trash compactor, garbage disposer, humidifier, dehumidifier.
- **Batteries (No charge)**
All car, truck, motorcycle, ATV, snowmobile and garden tractor batteries are accepted, as well as household batteries (D, C, AA, AAA, 6- and 9-volt cells, button batteries and rechargeable batteries).
- **Carpet & padding (\$1/sq. yd. for carpet and \$1/sq. yd. for padding)** Determine the number of square yards of carpet or room size the carpet came from. Roll carpet or pad and tape or tie rolls. Rolls must not exceed six feet in length and 12 inches in diameter.
- **Copier or fax machine (\$35)**
- **Electronics (\$1 for any item, including TVs up to 32"; \$5 for TVs larger than 32")**
TV, stereo console, computer, printer, monitor, radio, small appliance, vacuum, or VCR.
- **Fluorescent lamps (No charge)**
Up to ten fluorescent lamps will be accepted per vehicle. Do not tape lamps together. No lamps will be accepted from business or commercial use. Please transport lamps in a manner to avoid breakage.
- **Furniture: Chairs (\$5 – small, \$10 – large); loveseat (\$15); couch/sofa (\$20); hide-a-bed (\$30); sectionals, dressers, chests, tables and other furniture (\$5 and up depending on size)**
- **Lumber (\$2 minimum, based on \$25 per cubic yard)** No railroad ties or concrete.
- **Mattresses and box springs: Single or twin size (\$8 per piece); double, queen or king (\$12 per piece)**
- **Propane tanks: Small (\$1); Large — over a two-pound tank (\$6)**
- **Scrap metal — clean (no charge)**
Clean scrap metal means all plastic, rubber, wood, concrete and hazardous materials must be removed. Clean scrap metal includes pipe, gutters, swing sets, barbecues, ducting, fencing, etc.

**Saturday, June 7,
8 a.m. – 3 p.m.**

Minnetonka Public Works
11522 Minnetonka Blvd.
East entrance by recycling center

- **Scrap metal — dirty (\$5)**
For example, bikes with tires, lawn chairs with webbing, barbecues or lawn mower with wheels and/or non-metal parts still attached. All engines must be drained of oil and gas. Additional charges apply for riding mowers, garden tractors, snow blowers, trailers, or other large items.
- **Tires: Car, trailer or light truck (\$3 each); tires on rim (\$5); tractor or truck tire on split rim (\$20)**
- **Toilets and non-metal sinks (\$5 each)**
- **Windows/doors (\$2 minimum, based on \$25/cubic yd.)**

Payment will be accepted in cash or local checks payable to the city of Minnetonka.

An update on organics recycling

Last year, Minnetonka received a Waste Abatement Incentive Grant from Hennepin County to encourage residential refuse haulers to offer organics collection to their customers.

Since the program was announced a year ago, 450 families have signed up for weekly collection of organics, diverting 40 tons of organic materials. Organics make up about 25 percent of the residential waste stream. Collecting this material for composting keeps it from being incinerated or dumped into landfills. It is a valuable resource used in landscaping and road construction projects.

The organics collection includes the following materials: food scraps (fruits and vegetables, meat, fish and bones, bread, pasta and baked goods, egg shells, dairy products and coffee grounds), food-soiled paper products (paper towels and napkins, paper plates and cups, milk and juice cartons, pizza boxes, egg cartons, packaging from frozen and refrigerated foods,

NO GARBAGE OR HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE WILL BE ACCEPTED.

Please note: There will **not** be a charitable organization at the Special Drop-off accepting clothing and household goods.

Local charitable organizations that accept clothing and household goods include the following:

- **Bethesda Thrift Shop**
913 Mainstreet, Hopkins
(952) 939-0988
- **Goodwill Industries**
1025 Hill Street, Hopkins
(952) 935-2760
- **ARC Hennepin-Carver**
Pickup route information: (612) 866-8820
- **Value Village Thrift Store**
2751 Winnetka Ave, New Hope
(763) 544-0006
- **Vietnam Vets**
Pickup route information: (651) 778-8387

For more information, call Dean Elstad, recycling coordinator, at (952) 988-8430 or visit www.eminnetonka.com.

waxed paper and paper containers, coffee filter and tea bags), and other compostable items (full vacuum cleaner bags, dryer lint, tissue and cotton balls, floral trimmings and house plants).

There is an additional fee for the weekly organics collection. However, with weekly organics collection, many homes will be able to reduce their garbage collection to the smallest container the company offers. For further savings, some haulers offer every-other-week collection of the garbage!

If you are interested in beginning organics collection, call one of the following refuse haulers:

Randy's Sanitation and Recycling
(952) 972-3335

Vintage Waste Systems, Inc. (952) 472-0401

Waste Management, Inc. (952) 890-1100

For general information on organics recycling, contact Dean Elstad, Minnetonka recycling coordinator, at (952) 988-8430 or via email at delstad@eminnetonka.com.

 **2008 MINNETONKA RECYCLING UPDATE**

Spring Leaf Drop-off Program

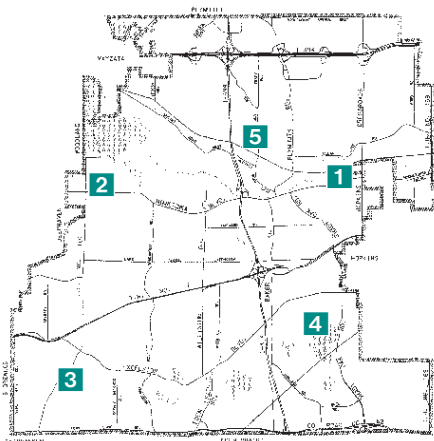
Minnetonka residents may bring **bagged** leaves, yard and garden materials to one of five drop-off sites on the dates and times shown below. Brush larger than **½ inch** in diameter will **not** be accepted at leaf drop-off sites. (See the brush drop-off article.)

If you have other means of handling your leaves such as collection by your garbage hauler or backyard composting, **please use that option!** All garbage haulers offer curbside collection of yard waste on the same day as your garbage collection for a reasonable annual or monthly fee. **Check with your garbage hauler for details.**

Saturdays, May 3 & 10
10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Saturday Leaf Drop-off Sites

- 1 Public Works Facility Parking Lot**
11522 Minnetonka Blvd., ¼ mi. west of Cty. Rd. 73; **use west entrance.**
Two areas: one for **bulk** leaf drop-off, one for **bagged** leaf drop-off; follow signs.
- 2 Groveland School Parking Lot**
Minnetonka Blvd., east of Hwy. 101
- 3 Minnetonka Public Schools Service Center, North Parking Lot**
5621 Hwy. 101
- 4 West Oaks Community Church Parking Lot**
Excelsior Blvd. west of Shady Oak Rd., upper parking lot
- 5 Meadow Park Parking Lot**
Oakland Road across from Stone Rd.



BAGGED LEAVES — will be accepted at all sites on Saturdays, May 3 and May 10


City staff will assist residents with unloading bags of leaves on Saturdays. Residents will be asked to take empty bags home for reuse or disposal. **Please loosely tie bags for easy emptying.**

BULK LEAVES — Truck and trailer loads of bulk leaves will be accepted only at Minnetonka Public Works and only during brush drop-off hours on the following dates:

- **Saturdays:** 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. **May 3, 10**
- **Mondays:** Noon to 8 p.m. **May 5, 12**
- **Tuesdays:** Noon to 8 p.m. **May 6, 13**

Loads of leaves **must** be covered during transport! Bulk leaf site closes May 13.

Enter on the west side of the building across from the Big Willow ball fields. Residents will unload their own leaves onto the bulk pile — **(bring proper equipment to unload your own leaves).** Try using many layers of tarps between a foot or two of leaves to make unloading your leaves easier and faster.

Information about composting and yard waste management is available from Dean Elstad, recycling coordinator, at (952) 988-8430. 


2008 Brush drop-off open

The brush drop-off program for Minnetonka residents opened Saturday, April 12, and will remain open through November 15. Hours are Saturdays, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., and Mondays and Tuesdays, noon to 8 p.m.


The brush drop-off site will be closed Memorial Day (May 26), Labor Day (Sept. 1) and Veterans Day (Nov. 11).

Branches up to 12" in diameter will be accepted. Proof of Minnetonka residency is required to drop-off brush (driver's license or utility bill).

Please note: trash, grass, loose leaves, dirt, sod, lumber, fencing, or wood scraps are not accepted. No brush will be accepted from commercial tree or lawn services.

For more information call Dean Elstad, recycling coordinator, at (952) 988-8430. 

Recycling and the holidays

Two holidays will delay recycling one day in 2008: Memorial Day (May 26) and Labor Day (September 1). The week of those two holidays, residents west of I-494 will have collection on Tuesdays and residents east of I-494 will have collection on Wednesdays. 

Keep streets and storm drains clean

Minnetonka City Ordinances (see below) prohibit blowing and/or leaving grass clippings or other organic materials in the street. Please mention this to your lawn service.

845.010 Public Nuisances Affecting Peace, Safety and General Welfare.17.

Prohibits the intentional discharge of items such as leaves, grass clippings, solvents, antifreeze, oil, fireplace ashes, paint, and cement rinsings into a street, storm sewer system, or water resource such as a wetland, creek, pond or lake. 



 **2008 MINNETONKA RECYCLING UPDATE**

Hennepin County Community Collection for Unwanted Garden and Household Hazardous Waste (HHW)

Thursday, May 15
Friday, May 16
Saturday, May 17
9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Minnetonka Public Works
 11522 Minnetonka Blvd
 East entrance by recycling center

Can't wait until May? Tired of waiting in lines? Saturday, May 17, is the busiest day, with longer waits in line. Consider bringing your household hazardous waste to one of the permanent facilities during the week (see article below).

The HHW drop-off is open to any Hennepin County resident and only accepts items from households. No hazardous waste or problem materials can be accepted from businesses, including home businesses or non-profit organizations.

The following HHW and problem materials are accepted:

- Paint, stains, paint strippers, wood preservatives, thinners, gasoline (container will not be returned), lighter fluid, insecticides, herbicides, solvents, acids, adhesives, caustics, degreasers, rodent poisons, moth balls, spot remover, chemistry sets, photo chemicals, mercury, drain or oven cleaners, floor finishes, metal or furniture polish, aerosol cans, driveway sealer. *This is not a complete list. Call (612) 348-3777 for more details.*

- Fluorescent or HID (high intensity discharge) lamps and ballasts (maximum 10 bulbs)
- Household batteries (flashlight, D, C, AA, AAA, 6 and 9 volt cells)
- Lead acid vehicle batteries
- Rechargeable batteries and rechargeable appliances
- Electronics: television, stereo console, computer, printer, monitor, VCR, or radio

There is no charge for dropping off HHW or the above listed items.

The following items are **not accepted** at the community HHW collection: Appliances, copiers, motor oil and motor oil filters, compressed gas cylinders, propane cylinders, explosives, radioactive materials, infectious waste or household garbage.

For more information, call Dean Elstad, city of Minnetonka recycling coordinator, at (952) 988-8430 or Hennepin County at (612) 348-3777. ♻️

Year-round HHW drop-off sites

Residents may bring household hazardous waste (HHW) to either of Hennepin County's permanent drop-off facilities:

1400 W. 96th St., Bloomington
8100 Jefferson Hwy., Brooklyn Park
There is no charge to drop off residential HHW.

Facilities are open Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Wednesdays, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.; and Saturdays, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Facilities are closed Sundays, Mondays, Independence Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day.

There is no charge to drop off residential HHW, but as of March 1, 2006, there is a limit to the annual quantities of materials dropped off or picked up. For more information visit www.hennepin.us or call Hennepin County at (612) 348-3777.

Household hazardous waste includes such items as paint, stain, thinners, solvents, pesticides, herbicides, cleaners, gasoline, oil filters, aerosol cans, fire extinguishers, fluorescent and HID lamps, thermostats,

switches and thermometers containing mercury, rechargeable appliances and batteries.

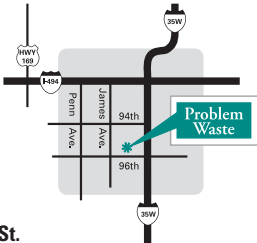
Also accepted for no charge are consumer electronics (TVs, radios, stereos, VCRs, camcorders, telephones, computers, monitors and printers).

Household appliances (microwaves, water heater, stove, freezer, washer, dryer, etc.) may be dropped off for a \$15 fee.

Minimum charge for loads of junk (only at Brooklyn Park site) is \$16. The fee and acceptable materials are determined by Hennepin County staff.

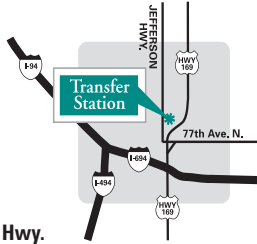
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Hennepin County Problem Material and HHW Drop-Off



Bloomington
1400 W. 96th St.

Hennepin County Transfer Station and HHW Drop-Off



Brooklyn Park
8100 Jefferson Hwy.

May events at Minnetonka Senior Services

IF YOU'RE A MINNETONKA RESIDENT who's 55 or older, don't miss out on the fun and friendship at Minnetonka Senior Services! Located at the Minnetonka Community Center, 14600 Minnetonka Blvd., Minnetonka, Senior Services offers a wide variety of classes, programs, and activities for active older adults. For more information, or to sign up for the free monthly newsletter, the *Senior Script*, visit www.eminnetonka.com.

Call (952) 939-8393 to register for events and classes, for more information, or to learn about volunteer opportunities. All class registration and payments should be directed to Minnetonka Senior Services. VISA or MasterCard are now accepted. Payment must be submitted at the time of registration for classes, trips or programs.

Mills Landing Gift Shoppe

Bring in this article and receive 10% off one item during the month of May at the Mills Landing Gift Shoppe, 12810 Minnetonka Boulevard, Minnetonka. Hours are Wednesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For information visit the store Web site at www.millslandingshoppe.com, or call (952) 933-5214.

Save your books!

The Minnetonka Senior Center needs unwanted books for it's first-ever book and pie sale, to be held September 18. So start saving books!

Special interest groups

Nintendo Wii

Tuesdays, 9–11 a.m.

Get active with the Nintendo Wii gaming system! Questions? Call (952) 939-8393.

Digital Camera Help

Tuesdays, 9–11 a.m.

Glen Keener will help you with your digital camera during half-hour segments. Call (952) 939-8393 to schedule an appointment. Bring your camera to your appointment!

Defensive Driving Classes

Call the Minnesota Highway Safety Center at 1-888-234-1294 to register.

Four-Hour Day Course

Tuesday, May 6, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Refreshments provided but no lunch.

Four-Hour Night Course

Thursday, May 22, 6–10 p.m.

Refreshments provided but no lunch.

Eight-Hour Day Course

Tuesday, May 27 & Thursday, May 29, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Refreshments provided but no lunch.

Special Events

Call (952) 939-8393 to register.

Come Dance With Me:

Community Ballroom Dance

Friday, May 2, 6 p.m.

Enjoy a night on the dance floor along with the Big Band sounds of Dick Macko at the elegant Oakwood Room at the Eisenhower Community Center. Ballroom dance lessons will be taught by Jay Dudding from 6–7 p.m., with dance to follow from 7 to 10:30 p.m. All ages welcome and encouraged to attend. Cost is \$10 per person and includes light refreshments. Call (952) 401-6800 to register.

Cinco de Mayo Buffet

Monday, May 5, 12 p.m.

Buffet includes taco bar, refried beans, spanish rice, tamales, taquitos and mini burritos, cabbage salad, fruit bowl, and assorted desserts. Cost is \$6, due by May 1.

Back to the 50's Party

Thursday, May 8, 12 p.m.

Enjoy a special luncheon, with Elvis in the building to entertain guests. 1950's apparel is encouraged, so take out your poodle skirts, high school letter jackets and bobby socks for a fun-filled afternoon. Cost is \$8, due by May 5.

The Art of Culinary Illusion

Friday, May 9, 10:30 a.m.

Bill Lurth will share simple ways to brighten up menus and participants will prepare a variety of dishes. Cost is \$8, due May 5.

Medicare Presentation

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

Composting Presentation

Friday, May 16, 10:30 a.m.

Learn how to compost from a Hennepin County Master Gardener and reduce your weekly volume of curbside garbage. Free compost bin will be given away as a door prize. Also, learn how to reduce your junk meal. Hot meal will be served. Cost is \$2, due by May 14.

Over-85 Party

Tuesday, May 20, 12 p.m.

This special celebration honors those 85 and older, and is open to other seniors as well. Enjoy roast beef with mashed potatoes, green beans, dinner roll and dessert. The American Swedish Institute's Male Chorus will perform. Those 85-plus receive a flower; those 90-plus receive a flower and free admission. Mention your age when registering. Cost is \$8, due by May 13.

Hike Minnetonka parks and trails

Join the Minnetonka Senior Center on monthly, two-mile hikes from 9–10 a.m. Bring your own water and meet at designated park listed below.

- *Thursday, May 15:* Meadow Park
- *Tuesday, June 17:* Big Willow Park
- *Tuesday, July 15:* Civic Center to the Minnetonka Mills Dairy Queen
- *Tuesday, August 19:* Purgatory Park
- *Tuesday, Sept. 16:* Lone Lake Park

Bus route 612 service starts in June

BUS ROUTE 612, RUNNING FROM Minnetonka Heights Apartments to the 7-Hi shopping area, then along Excelsior Boulevard to Hopkins, will be reinstated in June 2008. This route was discontinued in 2005 due to low ridership, but with the help of grant funding Metro Transit is reinstating the route, providing even greater accessibility to area shopping and services. Look for more information on Route 612 in the *June Minnetonka Memo*. ☺



Calendar

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Call (952) 939-8200
for meeting
locations.

S	M	T	W	T	F	S	Call (952) 939-8200 for meeting locations.
				1	2	3	1 Silver Skates Ice Revue, 6:30 p.m. 2 Silver Skates Ice Revue, 6:30 p.m. 3 Silver Skates Ice Revue, 3 p.m. 5 City Council, 6:30 p.m. 7 Park Board, 7 p.m. 12 City Council Study Session, 6:30 p.m. (Topic: Water Resource Management Plan, Utility Rates) 13 Senior Advisory Board, 10 a.m.; Economic Development Authority, 6 p.m.
4	5	6	7	8	9	10	14 Comprehensive Guide Plan Steering Committee, 5:30 p.m. 15 Planning Commission, 6:30 p.m. 19 City Council, 6:30 p.m.; Minnetonka History Commission, 6:30 p.m. 26 Memorial Day, city offices closed 28 City Council, Planning Commission, EDA, Park Board and Comprehensive Guide Plan Steering Committee Work Session, 6:30 p.m.
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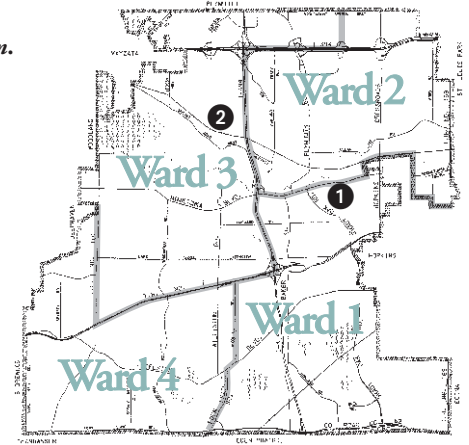
All meetings listed above are open to the public. Meeting dates and times are subject to change—please check www.eminnetonka.com for the latest information.

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 Web site by the Thursday afternoon prior to the meeting, and planning commission agendas are available by the Monday prior to the meeting.

NEW DEVELOPMENTS

The following items are tentatively scheduled to come before the Planning Commission in May. Please call (952) 939-8200 for updated information or visit the city Web site at www.eminnetonka.com. Meeting agendas are posted on the site the Friday prior to each commission meeting.

- 1 Front yard setback variance for addition to home at 3419 Arbor Lane. (06025.08a)
- 2 Variance to build a deck at 14440 Woodruff Road. (08015.08a)



Help keep Minnetonka clean!

UNFORTUNATELY, FLOWER SHOOTS and green grass aren't all that's revealed when the snow melts—oftentimes litter accumulated over the winter appears as well. If you'd like to do your part to give Minnetonka a spring cleaning, and keep it clean year-round, consider adopting a park, trail, wetland, neighborhood or roadway.

You can do it individually, or to make it more fun, gather up your family, friends and neighbors to join in the cleanup! Garbage bags and safety vests are available from Minnetonka Public Works. For more information, call Pat Kehr, Minnetonka Public Works, at (952) 988-8400. Thank you for taking pride in Minnetonka! ♪



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