

A Special Invitation for You

You're invited to attend Minnetonka's grand day of celebration on Saturday, June 28. The 26th Annual Minnetonka Summer Festival at the Civic Center and the Burwell House Old-fashioned Ice Cream Social on the Burwell grounds will offer something for everyone.

Festivities begin at 7:30 a.m. with the 8K race, followed by the 2 Mile Fun Run and Tot Trot. Family golf tournaments get under way at Glen Lake Golf and Practice Center at 8 a.m. Minnetonka seniors will host a pancake breakfast from 8 to 11 a.m. in the Community Center.

Tours and entertainment (Medicine Show Music Co., ragtime pianist Dan Fiskum, Westwind Community Band) begin at 11 a.m. at the Burwell House, continuing until 4 p.m. Food will be available for purchase throughout the event. You won't want to miss browsing the antique market held on the banks of Minnehaha Creek.

Beginning at 4 p.m. the Civic Center area will be bustling with activity: kids' rides (ponies, too), caricaturists, a golf contest, karaoke, a variety of interactive entertainment for all ages, police displays, fire department open house, and performances by Music Association of Minnetonka choral groups and symphony orchestra. The Minnetonka Ice Arena will host a figure skating exhibition and a session of public skating complete with free skate rental. Many other fun activities have been planned — be sure to take time to enjoy them. The evening's main entertainment will feature The R Factor, and, as always, the day concludes with a spectacular fireworks display at dusk.

This year's festival and social offer an exciting array of free activities and entertainment for children, teens, and the entire family. Please plan to join us June 28 – you won't want to miss this very special event!

Karen J. Anderson, Mayor

Main Grounds

8 a.m. – 6:30 p.m. COMMUNITY CENTER ACTIVITIES

Refer to the Community Center schedule.

4 p.m. – 8 p.m. FESTIVAL INFORMATION BOOTH

Pick up a complete listing and map of festival events.

- Voter registration new polling locations
- · "Lost and Found"
- Restrooms
- First Aid
- Event registration
- 4 p.m. 8 p.m. FOOD & FUN

A great variety of food and beverages will be available to purchase.

- 4 p.m. 7 p.m. MINNETONKA POLICE DEPARTMENT DISPLAYS
- 4 p.m. 9 p.m. RECREATION SERVICES TENT

Visit the tent for face painting, Frisbee golf, games and kids' arts and crafts activities.

- 4 p.m. 9 p.m. FREE KIDS' RIDES Rockin' Sockin', Climbing Wall, Titanic Adventure Slide.
- **4 p.m. 7 p.m. FREE PONY RIDES**Come ride your favorite pony!
- 4 p.m. 8 p.m.
 OUTDOOR BBQ
 Hotdogs, hamburgers, chips and pop will be for sale.









- 4 p.m. 5 p.m. FIRE DEPARTMENT OPEN HOUSE
- 4 p.m. 5:45 p.m. KARAOKE This activity is open to all ages.
- 4:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m. CARICATURISTS

Have your likeness created by our artists — free to kids of all ages.

- 4:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m. REMARKABLE REPTILES PROGRAM Learn all about them!
- 5:30 p.m. 9 p.m. REPTILE DISPLAY
- 8 p.m. 10 p.m. SPECIAL SALE OF NEON ITEMS

Bracelets, necklaces, and glowsticks will be sold from the Registration Booth. Proceeds go to the Recreation Services Scholarship Fund.

10 p.m.

FIREWORKS — THE GRAND FINALE!

Don't miss the grand finale — a spectacular finish to a great day!!

9ce Arena Activities

4:30 p.m.
FIGURE
SKATING
EXHIBITION
Skaters from
the Lake
Minnetonka
Figure Skating
Club will
entertain you.



5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

FREE ICE SKATING — Cool off and enjoy the sport of skating (free skate rental).

On the Main Itage

5:50 p.m. – 6 p.m. MAYOR KAREN ANDERSON WILL ANNOUNCE THE DAY'S CONTEST WINNERS.

6 p.m. – 6:45 p.m. BILL THE JUGGLER Come see Bill's fastpaced act full of juggling, comedy and lots of fun!

7 p.m. – 10 p.m. FEATURE SHOW — THE R FACTOR

The R Factor promises an unforgettable evening of music...performing

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the musical gamut. Formerly The Rupert's Orchestra of Minneapolis, this twelve-piece group consisting of 4 vocalists and 8 band members will delight listeners with its vast selection of hit tunes.

Community Center

8 a.m. – 11 a.m.
PANCAKE BREAKFAST
(sponsored by the Minnetonka Senior Center)

4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.
PERFORMANCES BY THE MUSIC
ASSOCIATION OF MINNETONKA

4:30 p.m. Choral Reflections

5:30 p.m. Minnetonka Concert Choir

6:30 p.m. Minnetonka Symphony Orchestra



Athletic Journaments/Events

7:30 a.m. – 10 a.m. RUN EVENTS

Registration for all events begins at 6:30 a.m. on race day. The registration table is located in front of city hall.

7:30 a.m. — 8K Race 8:45 a.m. — 2 Mile Fun Run 10 a.m. — Tot Trot (ages 8 and under) (co-sponsored by Wells Fargo, Gear West)

8 a.m.

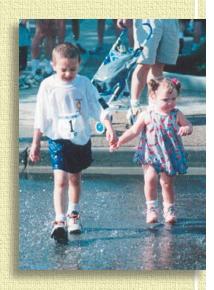
FAMILY GOLF TOURNAMENTS

Any adult and child (ages 8–16) or adult couple team is eligible to play in this tournament at the Glen Lake Golf and Practice Center.

Pre-registration is required. Winners will be announced at 5:50 p.m. on the main stage.

9 a.m. – 7 p.m. SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

Come and enjoy this twelve-team men's tournament at Big Willow Park. There will be continual action through the championship game at 7 p.m.



Sports and Activities

- 4 p.m. 9 p.m.

 BASKETBALL SPORT COURT

 Shoot baskets and test your skills in various contests throughout the evening.
- 4 p.m. 9 p.m. INFLATABLE OBSTACLE COURSE
- 4 p.m. 9 p.m. MINI RACE CARS

Visit the race tent — challenge your family and friends to a remote-control car race.

4 p.m. – 9 p.m. SPORTS CHALLENGE Activities for all ages will include water balloon toss, hula hoop

> contest, tug-ofwar, relay races,



football accuracy toss, sports trivia, name that tune, field goal accuracy, basketball shootout.

4 p.m. - 8 p.m GOLF CONTEST — CLOSEST TO PIN Enter to win prizes (ages 16 and up).

5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

FREE ICE SKATING Cool off at the Minnetonka Ice Arena (free skate rental).







Burwell Old-fashioned Gream Social The City of Minnetonka and the Minnetonka Historical Society

The City of Minnetonka and the Minnetonka Historical Society invite you, your family, and friends to join us for the annual Burwell House Old-fashioned Ice Cream Social on June 28 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. There will be free house tours, entertainment, an antique market, children's activities, and food/ice cream available to purchase throughout the day. Free parking

is available at Minnetonka Community Church and limited handicap parking at St. David's Family Center (formerly Burwell School).



10 a.m. – 5 p.m. — ANTIQUE MARKET 10:30 a.m. — MINI-PARADE

Please join us for an old-fashioned home town parade, led by Minnetonka's first fire engine. Everyone's invited to join the parade that begins at the old town hall (on the grounds of Minne—

tonka Community Church) and proceeds to the Burwell House. Participants can decorate their bikes, wear costumes, or make their own music. All participants will receive a treat.



11 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. — ENTERTAINMENT

11 a.m. – 1 p.m. — The Medicine Show Music Co. (back by popular demand!)

1:15 p.m. – 2:15 p.m. — Dan Fiskum (ragtime piano at its best!)

2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. — Westwind Community Band (always a favorite!)



11 a.m. - 4 p.m. — SELF-GUIDED TOURS OF THE BURWELL HOUSE

Free tours of the historic Charles H. Burwell House will be available. (Guided tours are available through September on Tuesday and Saturday afternoons and some Sunday afternoons. Check out the city web site, www.eminnetonka.com or call (952) 939-8219.)



11 a.m. - 4 p.m. — CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

11 a.m. - 4 p.m. — CONCESSIONS FOR SALE

Ice cream (cones/dishes), hot dogs, brats, veggie brats, lemonade, bottled water *Proceeds from this event will benefit Burwell House furnishings and historic programs.*

Filings open for council positions •

HE CITY OF MINNETONKA will hold municipal elections this fall. The positions to be elected at the General Election are the four ward representatives (Wards 1, 2, 3, and 4). Filings for these offices open Tuesday, July 1, and remain open through Tuesday, July 15, 2003. Interested persons may file for these offices during regular city hall hours, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. The filing fee is \$5.

A Primary Election will be held Tuesday, September 9, in any ward where more than two people file for the council ward representative office. The General Election will be Tuesday, November 4, 2003.

Questions about the election process or filings may be directed to the city clerk's office, (952) 939-8218, or by contacting kmagrew@eminnetonka.com.

Celebrate National Night Out

On August 5, 2003, between 6 p.m. and 9 p.m, Minnetonka residents are being invited to join thousands of other communities

across America in supporting a unique crime prevention project called National Night Out.

On that Tuesday evening, residents citywide and across the nation will be asked to turn on their outside lights, lock their doors, and spend an evening visiting



with their neighbors. National Night Out is designed to (1) heighten crime and drug prevention awareness (2) generate support and participation in local anti-crime efforts (3) strengthen neighborhood spirit and police/community relations (4) send a message to criminals letting them know our neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

All neighborhoods are encouraged to participate. Representatives from Minnetonka's Police Department, Fire Department, Public Works Department, and Recreation Services Department will be visiting the first 65 parties to register. For a registration form, check the city's web site at www.eminnetonka.com or pick one up at the police department. Registration forms must be returned to Crime Prevention Specialist Colleen Klingelhutz in the police department by July 18, 2003.

Celebrate National Night Out and let's "Take back the night"!

Enjoy music in the park

RECREATION SERVICES HAS scheduled several free "music in the park" performances this summer at Westridge Pavilion (11280 Wayzata Blvd., next to Galyan's). Programs begin at 7 and end at 9 p.m. Remaining performances include John Fililpczak and the Classics (polka), June 24 and Lehto and Wright, July 15.

Bring a blanket or a lawn chair for more comfortable seating. Aren't sure of the weather? Check the weather hotline, (952) 939-8355.

Burwell House will host a Victorian garden party, and you're invited!

The North Star Chapter of the Victorian Society in America will host its annual Victorian Garden Party at the Burwell House on Sunday, July 20 from noon to 3 p.m. From noon to 1:30 p.m., you're invited to enjoy an old-fashioned Victorian picnic — bring your own blanket and basket of food (no coolers allowed!). Beginning at 1 p.m. and continuing until 2:30 p.m. free tours of the Burwell House will be offered. To round out the afternoon, games of the Victorian era (two/three legged races, egg on a spoon, and the annual pit spitting challenge) will be played. You're welcome to watch or participate between 1:30 and 3 p.m.

The Victorian Society members will be dressed in period style clothing and will share their knowledge of Victorian times. There will also be demonstrations and sales of Victorian era crafts and accessories. Lemonade and bottled water will be available to purchase.

Check out the city web site, <u>www.eminnetonka.com</u> or the local papers for more information regarding event parking, or call (952) 939-8219.

DSL survey results

AN ARTICLE IN the April *Minnetonka Memo* contained a short survey about the availability of DSL internet service. Thank you to the 137 people who took the time to respond. Ninety-six of the respondents said that they do not have DSL service available to their homes, with another ten saying that they didn't know if it is available. The areas without DSL service appear to be concentrated in the southwest portion of the city and scattered north of Minnetonka Boulevard.

Sixty-nine of the respondents said they would very much like to have DSL, with another 32 saying that they would like to have it but have other alternatives. Based on these results, the city plans to bring this lack of service to the attention of the Public Utilities Commission (PUC), which regulates local telephone companies. The PUC is beginning negotiations with our local provider, Qwest, regarding the requirements that will be applicable to Qwest starting in 2004. We will let you know the results of these efforts.



Minnetonka Arts Center Calendar



June/July 2003

(The Minnetonka ArtsCenter adjoins Minnetonka High School, 18301 Hwy. 7.)

The Minnetonka Community Theater, sponsored by Minnetonka Community Education & Services and under the direction of Kent Knutson, will present two productions this summer at the Minnetonka ArtsCenter.

"You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown" will run June 20 – 28.

"Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" is scheduled July 25 through August 9.

For more information, including ticket prices, call (952) 401-5898 or e-mail minnetonkacommunitytheater@msn.com.

Fall photo contest scheduled

In Conjunction with the city's open house on Tuesday, October 7, a "Focus on Minnetonka" photo contest has been announced for residents of Minnetonka. Photos must be of Minnetonka subjects and must have been taken in the city during the last two years. Prizes will be awarded. Watch for more details, along with an entry form, in an upcoming *Minnetonka Memo*.

Take care when traveling with your dog

PEOPLE ARE SLOWLY becoming aware of the hazards of leaving their pets in cars/trucks during the warmer months, but few realize other risks that can occur when traveling with their pets. As everyone knows, dogs love to stick their heads out the windows of a moving car or truck, but most people do not know that many dogs are severely injured by this practice every year. It is not uncommon for veterinarians around the country to treat dogs for eye trauma caused by debris hitting the dog in the eye or elsewhere on the head. Having a bug getting in an eye isn't serious when you're standing still, but when it happens from a car going 55 miles per hour, it can do significant damage. Just remember, anything that can hit your windshield can also hit your dog.

Another risk when a dog is sticking its head out of an open window is the possibility of the animal jumping out. This may seem like a very far-fetched risk, but it happens many times a year. Dogs see something out a window and jump out after it without thinking, resulting in broken bones, skin lacerations, and even death.

NOTE: NEW CIVIC CENTER HOURS THIS YEAR



For up-to-the-minute information about the Summer Festival and Burwell Social, please check:

- City web site: www.eminnetonka.com
- Cable Channel 16
- Weather Hotline: (952) 939-8355

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