

Village

"A village in the city"

NOTES

A Note from the Mayor.....

Dear Residents,

The Silver Lake Road reconstruction project being led by Hennepin County is in full swing. The Water Reuse project is underway with the city being able to capture back wash water that was previously just sent into the sewers and use it for irrigating Central Park. Both of these projects should be substantially completed by November with only the final overlayment for the road and other punch list items left for next year and will be back in full service except for a few days next year for final paving and marking. I thank everyone for their patience and we all look forward to a vastly improved walkability function, a safer roadway and cleaner looking streetscape.

The city council has enacted a new ordinance that requires single family rental properties be inspected and licensed by the city. This is in response to ever changing financial and social patterns that necessitate the city have a better handle on these activities in terms of both safety and maintaining property values. We believe that this will only result in the best interests of renters, landlords and the city at large.

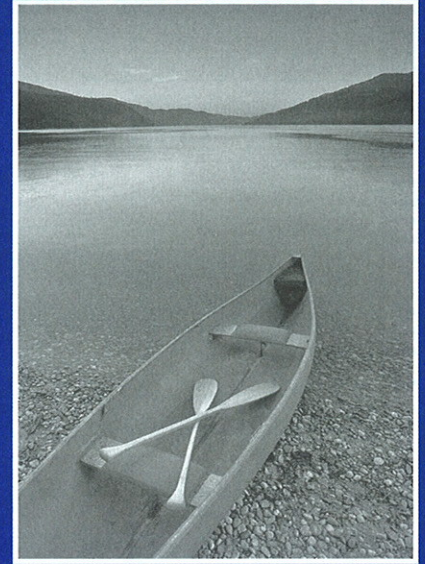
The council has also changed the snow plowing ordinance from time sensitive dates (no parking on streets from November 1st to April 1st) to an event sensitive. When it snows 2 or more inches your vehicle must be removed from the street until the street is cleared. This puts more responsibility on the individual yet simultaneously relieves them of an arbitrary set of times when it does not snow. We won't know the exact results so we placed a sunset date to reevaluate this change on July 1, 2009 to ascertain its future viability.

We have asked for a Task Force of residents to research the pros and cons of the possibility of contracting with a single refuse hauler. We feel that there may be some benefits to the residents, city and the environment. I appreciate the effort that the task force will expend and the city will keep you posted on the results. As always these meetings are open for the public's attendance and meaningful input.

In spite of our construction of Silver Lake road the VillageFest committee has risen to the occasion and is planning a full slate of events. As always this is a great venue for new volunteers to give back to the community by pitching in a hand to those tireless and intrepid VillageFest Committee volunteers. Give them a call and help if you can.

I am ever mindful of the wonderful community we live and am grateful for the residents whom comprise this community of St. Anthony. Every year we get volunteers to be on task forces, help at the schools, churches, civic organizations and provide input to the council and staff. We could not have as dynamic a city as we have without that involvement. We are fortunate to have people with this commitment and I am confident that we would rise together and come through any and all challenges that could that could come our way in the true spirit of a "Village in the City".

My best regards,
Jerry Faust



*summer
2008*

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*Our mission is to be a
progressive and livable
community, a walkable
village, which is safe
and secure.*

Election Information

On September 9, 2008, voters will have the opportunity to select candidates at the Primary Election.

The Ballot will consist of the following:

Hennepin , Precincts 1 and 2

1
(south of 37th Avenue NE)
Congressional 5
Legislative:
Senate 54
House 54A

Ramsey County, Precinct

(north of 37th Avenue NE)
Congressional 5
Legislative:
Senate 50
House 50A

Precinct Locations

Hennepin County, Precinct 1

Autumn Woods
2600 Kenzie Terrace

Hennepin County, Precinct 2

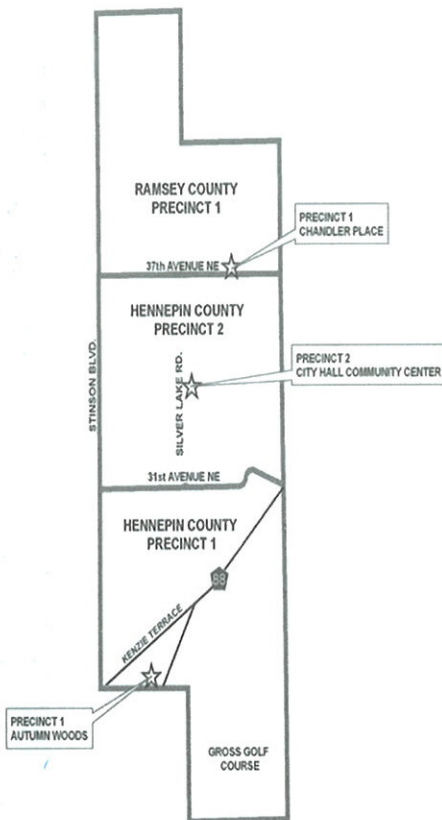
St. Anthony City Hall
3301 Silver Lake Road

Ramsey County, Precinct 1

Chandler Place
3701 Chandler Drive

Polls open at 7:00 a.m. and
remain open until 8:00 p.m.

If you have any questions
regarding polling places,
please contact the City Clerk
at 612-782-3313



Register to Vote

New residents are encouraged to save time at the polling place by pre-registering to vote. Pre-registration must be completed at least 20 days before an upcoming election. For the primary election it is August 19th. St. Anthony residents can complete an interactive application on the city's website at www.ci.saint-anthony.mn.us. After completion, residents can drop the application in the city's night drop box. Applications are also available at City Hall.

Absentee Ballots

Absentee ballots will be available for the Primary on August 8, 2008. Voters needing to vote by absentee can download an application from the city's website or come to City Hall to fill out an application. City offices will be open on September 6 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. for absentee voting.

Remember the Presidential Election is November 4, 2008. There will be more information in the upcoming fall newsletter.



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St. Anthony Middle School706-1030
St. Anthony High School.....706-1100
Web site.....www.stanthony.k12.mn.us

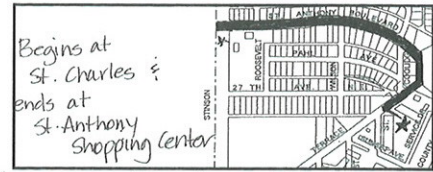
FRIDAY, AUGUST 1

St. Anthony VillageFest

villagefest

Noon **GOLF TOURNAMENT** – St. Anthony Chamber
Call Tom Harkins at 651.366.7468
for required pre-registration.

7 pm **PARADE** ends at St. Anthony Shopping Center –
Bring can goods for Lions to collect for Food Shelf



(parade route)

8 pm **STREET DANCE & CELEBRATION** - St. Anthony Shopping Center

SATURDAY, AUGUST 4

8 am **5K RUN** –starts at St. Anthony Shopping Center - sponsored by Fitness Crossroads
call (612) 788-1100 to pre-register

9 am – finish **3 on 3 BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT**
call 612.205.8724 for info, or www.villagefest3on3.com

11 am **GAMES START& FOOD BOOTHS OPEN**
(some start/end at later times) Children's Games – Band Boosters – 11am to 5pm
Medallion Hunt sponsored by Key Club

11 am – 4 pm **SILENT AUCTION**

Noon **BEER TENT OPENS**

Noon - 5 pm **PETTING ZOO** sponsored by St. Anthony Lion's Club

1 – 5 pm **DUNK TANK** Sponsored by Builder's Club

1 – 4 pm **BINGO** – 25 cents per card – Cash Prizes!!! - at Autumn Woods

12:30 – 2:30pm **KIDS SHOW "The Pulse"** Fun and Prizes

3 pm – 5 pm **TEEN SHOW "The Pulse"** Fun and Prizes

3:30 pm **KIWANIS TENNIS BALL ROLL OFF**

4 pm – 7 pm **MUSIC** in Beer Tent: *Papa John Kolstad and the Hot Club of East Lake*

7:30 – 11 pm **ENTERTAINMENT: "Lamont Cranston"**

9:45 pm **FIREWORKS**

SUNDAY, AUGUST 3

8 am–12:30 pm **KIWANIS PANCAKE BREAKFAST** (St. Anthony Shopping Center)

CITY TO CONSIDER SINGLE GARBAGE HAULER

The City Council is interested in studying the current situation where each resident contracts with a garbage hauler of their choice and the possibility of selecting one hauler for the whole City. At the May 13th Council meeting, the City Council voted to have staff begin the process of researching various garbage hauling systems. While this activity was listed as an action item under the City's Environmental Goal, the City Council is not interested in having the City get into the garbage hauling business. Some of the perceived benefits of a single hauler are less wear and tear on City streets, reduced noise and reduced fuel consumption on the part of the haulers.

Staff has provided information regarding the application process for the task force in St. Anthony Bulletin and has posted it on the City's web site. The Council is encouraging anyone who is interested in participating in the study to submit an application. Applications will be accepted through July 17, 2008.

Assistant City Manager, Kim Moore-Sykes will be the staff liaison for this task force. Representatives from City Council will include Jim Roth and Randy Stille. The City Council will appoint members to the task force at its July 22, 2008 meeting.

If you have any questions about this information or the process, please contact the Assistant City Manager at 612-782-3312 or email her at kmoore-sykes@ci.saint-anthony.mn.us.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

July

- 4.....City Offices Closed Independence Day
- 8.....City Council Meeting
- 15.....Planning Commission Meeting
- 16.....Historical Society Meeting
- 22.....City Council Meeting

August

- 5.....National Night Out
- 12.....City Council Meeting
- 18.....Single Garbage Hauler Task Force Meeting
- 19.....Planning Commission Meeting
- 20.....Historical Society Meeting
- 26.....City Council Meeting

September

- 1.....City Offices Closed Labor Day
- 9.....State Primary Election
City Council Meeting
- 15.....Single Garbage Hauler Task Force Meeting
- 16.....Planning Commission
- 17.....Historical Society Meeting
- 23.....City Council Meeting
- 30.....Joint Meeting with School Board

ADOPT - A - BENCH PROGRAM



The City of St. Anthony is sponsoring an **Adopt - A - Bench Program**. Residents of St. Anthony can have a bench placed in front of their house. The design and materials of the benches that the City has selected are of durable recycled materials. There is no cost to the homeowner for the bench or for the installation. City staff will work with the homeowner in determining the placement and installation of all benches. There are examples of the benches displayed in the Great Hall at City Hall. If you want more information regarding the Adopt - A - Bench program you can download a brochure from our website at www.ci.saint-anthony.mn.us or contact City Hall at 612-782-3301.

CURRENT CITY GOALS

The Current City Goals are:

- 1) Environmental Stewardship & Rehabilitation
- 2) Improve and Maintain Infrastructure
- 3) Technology Advances
- 4) Improve and Maintain Housing
- 5) Senior Transition

PARKING ORDINANCE AMENDED

The City of St. Anthony City Council recently amended the City Code for parking on the streets. The new ordinance is:

920.07 Parking During Snow Removal

Subd. 1. No person shall park a vehicle on any city street or period of 48 hours, commencing immediately after two (2) inches or more of continuous snow fall, or until the snow removal has been completed curb to curb.

This ordinance amendment allows residents to park on the street overnight unless there is a continuous snowfall of two inches. The City Council felt this allows the residents more flexibility with parking on the street.

The City Council also put a sunset date of July 1, 2009 on this ordinance amendment. In May, 2009 the City Council will revisit this ordinance to determine if it was beneficial to the residents and if it should be changed permanently. Please watch for upcoming articles and telephone numbers where residents can provide feedback for city staff.

CONSTRUCTION BEGINS AT SILVERWOOD PARK

The shaping of Silverwood Park into the newest gem in the Three Rivers Park District system is underway. Located on the shores of beautiful Silver Lake and featuring mature oak woods, Silverwood is a natural oasis located just a few minutes' drive from Minneapolis and St. Paul. Park visitors will be able to run, walk or bike along paved trails winding through the woods, fish the waters of Silver Lake, or relax and enjoy a picnic on the nearby island.

The new visitor center will form the centerpiece of Silverwood's emphasis on nature-inspired arts education. There, naturalists and artists will offer art programming for school groups, families and the general public. These experiences will include formal classes, art exhibitions, art festivals and performances on a diverse range of topics from folk art to woodwind quartet, modern dance to wildlife art, and pottery to poetry.

Just a short walk down a hill from the visitor center, park guests will find an outdoor stage facing the Great Lawn, where up to 3,000 people may enjoy performances of dance, theater and music. "Silverwood will offer a wealth of opportunities for people of all ages to experience the beautiful natural surroundings and nurture their artistic creativity," said Three Rivers Park District Commissioner Rosemary Franzese, of St. Anthony.



Those celebrating the start of construction at Silverwood Park with a groundbreaking event on May 15 are, from left, Three Rivers Park District Commissioner Sara Wyatt, St. Anthony Council Member Brian Thuesen, former Metropolitan Council Member James "Red" Nelson, Ramsey County Commissioner Jan Parker, St. Anthony Mayor Jerry Faust, Three Rivers Commissioner Mark Haggerty, Three Rivers Board Chair Larry Blackstad, Three Rivers Commissioner Rosemary Franzese, Metropolitan Council Member Lynette Wittsack, and Three Rivers Commissioners Marilyn Corcoran and Dale Woodbeck.

On Thursday, May 15, the Three Rivers Park District Board of Commissioners commemorated the start of construction by holding a groundbreaking at the site of the new visitor center. "Whether people take part in arts programming or explore the park on their own, Silverwood will be a great amenity for the region," said Three Rivers Park District Board Chair Larry Blackstad.

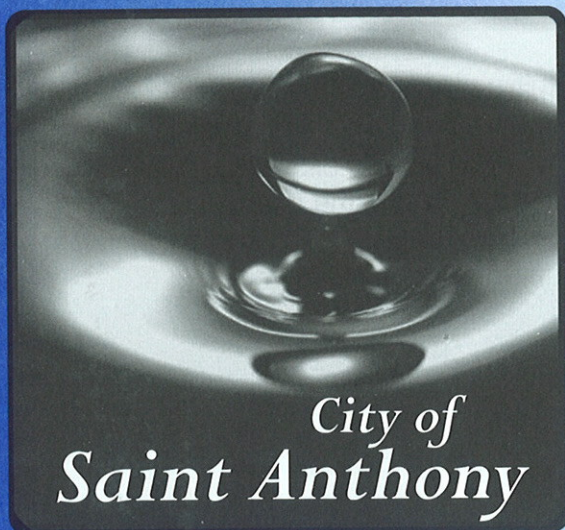
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Construction got into full swing with the closing of the park on May 19. The park will reopen in the summer of 2009 when the park's new features are unveiled to the public.

At the groundbreaking event, St. Anthony Mayor Jerry Faust spoke about the beautiful natural landscape that is being preserved. "This is a jewel," Faust said from atop the hill where the visitor center will offer excellent views of the woods and Silver Lake.

In addition to being the focal point for arts programming, the visitor center is sure to be a popular location for weddings, art exhibitions and other special events. It will feature a 260-seat Main Hall with stunning views of Silver Lake, as well as an outdoor terrace wrapping around the building. The building will include the latest in green technology, including a geothermal heating and cooling system, smart lighting and use of recycled materials for the roof.

"Through the use of environmentally-friendly materials and design, Silverwood will set the standard for new developments in the Park District," Franzese said. "This park truly will be a gem in the Three Rivers system."



Drinking Water Quality Report 2007

The City of Saint Anthony Village is issuing the results of monitoring done on its drinking water for the period from January 1 to December 31, 2007. The purpose of this report is to advance consumers' understanding of drinking water and heighten awareness of the need to protect precious water resources.

We are committed to providing you with high quality drinking water.

For questions about Saint Anthony drinking water and information about opportunities for public participation in decisions that may affect the quality of water, please contact Bob Paschke of the City of St. Anthony Utilities at 612-782-3441.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. Food and Drug Administration 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 (1-800-426-4791).

Saint Anthony Water Comes from the Jordan Aquifer

St. Anthony's drinking water comes from two wells that draw water from the Jordan Aquifer. The wells are 541 and 472 feet deep.

Other community sources of drinking water (for both tap water and bottled water) can include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs and springs. 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 people and animals.

Water samples from the wells, the treatment plant, and from faucets throughout the community are tested to screen for contaminants so that harmful levels won't reach residents. Contaminants existing in the environment are divided into five basic testing groups and 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, can occur naturally or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.

Pesticides and herbicides may come from 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.

The table listed on the next page shows substances that were detected in St. Anthony's drinking water during lab testing from January 1 to December 31, 2007.

No substances were detected at levels that exceed EPA or State of Minnesota guidelines.

The Minnesota Department of Health has determined that the source used to supply your drinking water is not particularly susceptible to contamination. If you wish to obtain the entire source water assessment regarding your drinking water, please call 651-201-4700, or look online at: www.health.state.mn.us/divs/eh/water/dwp/swp/swa

A wealth of information about drinking water is available at the EPA's website: www.epa.gov/safewater

For Minnesota water information: www.health.state.mn.us/divs/eh/water/
www.dnr.state.mn.us/groundwater

For a good kids' site visit: www.h2o4u.org/story

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 and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (1-800-426-4791).

St Anthony Testing Results

No contaminants were detected at levels that violated federal drinking water standards. However some contaminants were detected in trace amounts that were within acceptable levels. The table below shows the contaminants that were detected in trace amounts last year. Some contaminants are sampled less frequently than once a year; as a result, not all contaminants were sampled for in 2007. These contaminants are listed in the table with the year they were last detected.

Terms to Know

The **Level Found** can be the highest amount found or the average of all samples analyzed, depending on how the regulation for the particular substance is enforced. If it is an average, it may be calculated with results from last year. Regulated substances have **Maximum Contaminant Levels (MCLs)** set by the EPA. This is the highest level of the substance legally allowed in drinking water. Some contaminants also have **MCL goals (MCLGs)**. This is the level of a substance where there is no known or expected health risk. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety. MCLs are set as close to MCLGs as feasible using the best available water treatment processes.

Lead in Drinking Water

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. City of St Anthony is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing the tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking.

If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>



Water Quality Table St. Anthony Drinking Water

Substance Monitored Before Distribution	Units of Measure	Highest Allowed Level (MCL)	Ideal Goal (MCLG)	Detected amount used to determine compliance	Range Detected	Typical Source of Substance
Arsenic 2004	ppb	10	0	1.27	—	Erosion of natural deposits; runoff from orchards, glass and electronics production wastes
Barium 2004	ppm	2	2	0.11	—	Drilling waste, metal refineries, Erosion of natural deposits
Fluoride	ppm	4	4	1.08	0.98-1.1	Additive to promote strong teeth, erosion of natural deposits
Total Trihalomethanes 2006	ppb	80	0	1.2	—	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Chlorine	ppm	4 (MRDL)	4 (MRDLG)	0.81 (highest quarterly avg)	0.6-1.1 (low-highest monthly avg)	Water additive used to control microbes
Sodium	ppm	No EPA Limits		5.9	—	Erosion of natural deposits
Sulfate	ppm	No EPA Limits		20.7	—	Erosion of natural deposits

Some contaminants are not sampled every year. Those detected the last time they were sampled for are included in the table along with the date that the detection occurred, if prior to 2007. **Some contaminants do not have MCL's established for them. These "unregulated contaminants" are assessed using state standards known as health risks limits to determine if they pose a threat to human health.**

Substance Monitored at Customer's Tap	Units of Measure	Action Level (AL): 90% of samples below this level	Number of Samples Exceeding the AL	90% of samples were below this level	Typical Source of Substance
Copper	ppm	1.3	1 out of 20	1.22	Corrosion of household plumbing, erosion of natural deposits
Lead	ppb	15	1 out of 20	4	Corrosion of household plumbing, erosion of natural deposits

Definitions of Terms Used: Detected amount used to determine compliance is sometimes the highest amount detected and sometimes the average of all detected amounts from samples tested throughout the year.

MCL: Maximum Contaminant Level (the highest amount allowed in drinking water. Set as close to MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.) **MCLG:** Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (the level below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.) **AL:** Action Level (If 90% of all samples tested are not below this concentration, this triggers treatment or other requirement the system must follow.)

ppm: parts per million. **ppb:** parts per billion. **pCi/L:** pico Curies per liter, measure of radioactivity.

nd: not detected **MRDL:** Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level **MRDLG:** Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal

PET ORDINANCES

Just a reminder as more people will be out with their dogs. The City has ordinances in place that govern how dogs are to be kept in the Village. Section 515.01 of the City Ordinance requires that all dogs over six (6) months of age that are kept, harbored or maintained in the City are to be licensed and registered. The license is valid for two (2) years and must be renewed by March 1 of the year it expires. At the time of licensure, the dog(s) must be immunized for rabies. Proof of immunization for rabies by a licensed veterinarian is required at the time the dog is being licensed.

Section 515.05 Special Multiple Dog License. The City requires that anyone in the Village that has three (3) dogs over the age of six (6) months must obtain a multiple dog license for their premise.

There are other conditions for obtaining this license that need to be met before a multiple dog license will be issued.

Section 1205.03 Running At Large. No owner or keeper of any domesticated animal may permit the animal to be at large and must at all times keep the animal under physical restraint. This includes dogs, cats, (yes, even cats) and any other domesticated animal. Any animal that is found loose and not confined to the property of the owner or keeper is deemed "at large" and will be picked up by the Police Department. Also, none of our parks or open spaces are off-leash areas, so please keep your animal leashed and under your control at all times.

Section 1205.04 Droppings. When you are out and about with your animal, please remember to bring along whatever you need to clean up after your pet. It is your responsibility, even if the animal isn't yours, and you're doing the owner a favor by walking it, to clean up after the animal and dispose of the droppings in a sanitary manner.

HYDRANT FLUSHING

Fire Hydrant flushing will occur August 27 through August 29 between 12:00 a.m. and 7:00 a.m. to minimize inconvenience to residents. Flushing of the city hydrants is done for the following three reasons:

- (1) to make sure that hydrants are in good working condition;
- (2) to flush out sediment and rust deposits that accumulate in the water systems; and
- (3) to evaluate water pressures through out the City.

Your cooperation and patience is appreciated during this process.

CURBSIDE BRANCH CHIPPING, AUGUST 18 - 20

APPLICATION FORM

2008 CITY OF ST. ANTHONY BRANCH CHIPPING PROGRAM

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

I hereby request that branches be chipped by the City of St. Anthony Public Works Department at the above address between August 18 - 20. I understand that I will be charged \$15 and applicable sales tax for each 10 minutes of chipping and that I will be billed on my October 2008 water/sewer bill. A minimum of \$15.00 will be charged. Branches must be at the curb.

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

The Public Works Department will be doing curbside branch chipping for residents August 18 - 20. If you wish to have branches chipped, complete the form and return it to City Hall. Branches must be left at the curb. Maximum branch diameter is 8". Do not bundle branches with wire and no tree stumps will be accepted. For more information call 612-782-3301.

The definition of a "weed" is an unwanted plant. So, if you change your attitude about your "weeds," you may eliminate your problem! Many people view lake vegetation as "weeds." But most aquatic plants are a natural part of most lake communities and provide many benefits to fish, wildlife, and people. In lakes, life depends on water plants. They are the primary producers in the aquatic food chain, converting the basic chemical nutrients in the water and soil into plant matter, which becomes food for all other life.

Aquatic plants serve many important functions:

Provide fish food and shelter

More food for fish is produced in areas of aquatic vegetation than in areas where there are no plants. Insect larvae, snails, and freshwater shrimp thrive in plant beds.

Plants provide shelter for young fish. Because bass, sunfish, and yellow perch usually nest in areas where vegetation is growing, certain areas of lakes are protected by the DNR as fish spawning areas during spring and early summer. Northern pike use aquatic plants, too, by spawning in marshy and flooded areas in early spring.

Improve water clarity and quality

Plants, like bulrushes, can absorb and break down polluting chemicals. Nutrients used by aquatic plants for growth are not available to algae. This reduces algae abundance improving water clarity. Aquatic plants also maintain water clarity by preventing the re-suspension of bottom sediments. Algae, which thrive on dissolved nutrients, can become a nuisance when too many submerged water plants are destroyed.

Protect shorelines and lake bottoms

Aquatic plants, especially rushes and cattails, dampen the force of waves and help prevent shoreline erosion. Submerged aquatic plants also weaken wave action and help stabilize bottom sediment.

Provide food and shelter for waterfowl

Many submerged plants produce seeds and tubers (roots), which are eaten by waterfowl. Bulrushes, sago pondweed, wild celery, and wild rice are especially important duck foods. Submerged plants also provide habitat to many insect species and other invertebrates that are, in turn, important foods for brooding hens and migrating waterfowl.

Aesthetics

Uninterrupted natural shorelines are pleasing to view rather than a hodge-podge of rip-rap and various erosion control methods. Water lilies, arrowhead, and pickerelweed have lovely flowers up close too.

Provide economic value

Minnesota's tourism industry is centered on lakes and the recreation they support. More than \$1.5 billion is spent annually to hunt, fish, camp, and watch wildlife on and around our lakes. In addition, wild rice harvesting industry alone is worth at least \$2 million to Minnesota's economy.

Above information adapted from:

<http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/shorelandmgmt/apg/value.html>

SILVER LAKE ROAD RECONSTRUCTION

Project Update

The Silver Lake Road project continues to move forward on schedule. The project is moving from south to north with sanitary sewer and watermain installation occurring in front of the roadway construction work. Hennepin County is the working with the contractor to minimize the area of roadway disturbed at any one time. This effort is intended to allow the contractor to complete work in a timely fashion while minimizing the impact homes and facilities by the construction work occurring. As utility crews complete sanitary sewer and watermain installation and move north on the project, the roadway crews are following behind constructing the roadway.

The City of St. Anthony and Hennepin County thank you for your patience during this construction period. Please to travel in this area with extra caution. If you have any questions, please contact Jay Hartman at 612-782-3314 or Daniel Lonnes, Project Manager with Bolten & Menk at 952-448-8838 ext. 2673.

2009 STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

The City Council ordered a Feasibility study for the 2009 Street Improvement project at their June 10 Council meeting. This project includes:

- * Chandler Drive from Foss Road to 37th Avenue NE.
- * Foss Road north of 37th Avenue to city limits.

The Public Works Director along with the City Engineer will be conducting neighborhood meetings in August. Look for more information in upcoming issues of the Village Notes.

DWI Laws In Minnesota by Officer Spiess

DWI (Driving While Intoxicated) is a problem in Minnesota, as it is throughout the entire nation. In 2006 (the latest year of records), an estimated 13,470 people nationwide were killed in traffic crashes that involved at least one driver with an alcohol concentration of .08 or more. In that same year in Minnesota, 494 people died in vehicle crashes with 183 of them being alcohol related. That is 37% of all crash fatalities. One in eight, or approximately 12%, of all Minnesota motorists have an arrest record for DWI.

The DWI Laws in Minnesota have been ever-changing over the past few years. The most notable change occurred in 2005 when the illegal per se limit changed from .10 alcohol concentration to .08 alcohol concentration. There have also been changes to how DWI laws are charged due to different enhancements and the number of years that a previous DWI conviction and/or an Implied Consent test at or above the .08 legal limit will affect a current conviction or test at or above the legal limit.

The laws make it a crime for a person to drive, operate or be in physical control of a motor vehicle when a person is under the influence of alcohol, when a person is under the influence of a controlled substance, when a person is under the influence of a hazard substance, when a person has an alcohol concentration of .08 or more, or when the person's body contains any amount of a controlled substance listed in schedule I or II, or its metabolite, other than marijuana or tetrahydrocannabinols. This article will focus on the alcohol portion of the DWI laws.

There are two main statutory offenses that apply to operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol. The first is simply driving a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol. This is based on observations made by a police officer. These can include driving conduct, bloodshot and watery eyes, slurred speech, the results of roadside field sobriety tests, etc. An alcohol concentration of .04 or more can be used as evidence of impairment. The second offense is referred to as "illegal per se", which is driving with an alcohol concentration of .08 or more. Being above the illegal per se limit is a violation of the DWI law. Since 2005, all 50 states had adopted a .08 illegal per se limit.

Following the roadside stop and subsequent arrest for DWI, the driver will be asked to take an Intoxilyzer breath test, a blood test or a urine test. Minnesota law requires that a driver arrested for DWI submit to one of these tests

or else they will be charged with an additional crime. If the test results in a reading of a .08 alcohol concentration or greater, the driver will also be subject to a license revocation and an indication on their driving record of an Implied Consent test at or above a .08. This is in addition to the criminal charge of DWI.

What does all this mean? The Minnesota DWI laws are divided into 4 degrees. 4th degree DWI is a first time violator that has no aggravating factors present during the arrest. This is considered a misdemeanor crime. A 3rd degree DWI violator generally has one previous DWI within the past 10 years and 2nd degree DWI violator generally has two previous DWI's within the past 10 years. Both a 3rd degree and 2nd degree DWI are gross misdemeanors and call for increased penalties. A 1st degree DWI is a felony and would require that a person has at least 3 previous DWI convictions within the past 10 years or has ever been convicted of a felony DWI in his/her lifetime or a previous felony conviction for an impaired driving related criminal vehicular homicide or operation. There are also aggravating factors that can increase the penalties for DWI. These include a previous DWI conviction within the past 10 years, testing at or above a .20 alcohol concentration and/or having a child less than 16 years of age in the vehicle. The increased penalties call for an enhancement to a higher degree of DWI, can mean more jail time and fines, the loss of vehicle license plates and possibly the forfeiture of the offenders vehicle.

The good news is that in Minnesota the number of alcohol related crash fatalities was at it lowest in 2006. But there is much work to be done. Through education, responsibility and a joint effort of law enforcement and the motoring public these numbers can continue to decrease and our roadways can continue to get safer.

CALL 9 - 1 - 1

If you see any suspicious activity happening.

police and fire

9-1-1
police and fire emergency

612-782-3350
police non-emergency

612-782-3400
fire non-emergency

763-525-6220
police after hours emergency

BUYING WISELY TO REDUCE WASTE

(taken from greenguardian.com)

Reduce Waste

By choosing products wisely and changing a few small work habits, you can greatly reduce waste in the workplace and save your agency money, too. The following checklist offers specific ways to reduce waste in your agency's office.

General

- * Buy rebuilt, remanufactured, or refurbished products. Specify rebuilt auto shop parts and electric motors, remanufactured laser toner cartridges, re-inked printer ribbons, refurbished office partitions and furniture, and rebuilt machinery.(e.g. copy machines)
- * Buy durable products. - Evaluate frequently replaced items (or frequently purchased repair parts) to determine if replacing them with longer-lasting, higher-quality products makes sense. Examine in-house repair schedules, maintenance agreements, and extended warranties as ways to extend product life.
- * Set up a reuse system, or use an existing system. - This makes unwanted items from one department available to other departments.

Packaging

- * Purchase products in reusable, refillable, or returnable containers. For example, receive deliveries in reusable trays, totes or pallets that can be returned to the vendor for reuse.
- * Buy products in bulk, and only in the amount you need.
- * Purchase products with less packaging. Work directly with vendors to identify ways to reduce packaging.
- * Reduce the use of aerosol spray cans. Significant cost savings and waste reduction can result from using refillable and reusable pump-spray bottles.

Food Service

- * Buy reusable cafeteria dishware - Reusable dishes are often cost-effective over the long term compared with disposables.
- * Avoid using single-use cups. Many workplaces have eliminated single-use cups in favor of using reusable cups.
- * Use beverage dispensers - for milk, juice or soft drinks.

Office Products

- * Use the "duplex" function. - On your copier to make double-sided copies that reduce paper waste and save money. Buy or lease copiers and printers capable of making double-sided copies, and work with vendors to offer training to employees. Set the default mode on all machines for double-sided ("duplex") output.
- * Reuse paper printed on one side for making draft copies, fax cover sheets or notepads.
- * Buy erasable boards as an alternative to paper flip charts.
- * Use self-stick fax addressing labels instead of printing full-size fax cover sheets (or use half-sheets if you need to include a message with your fax.)
- * Use electronic software presentations to reduce the use of transparencies.
- * Buy solar powered calculators and other devices to eliminate the need for batteries.
- * Purchase refillable products such as pens, pencils and tape dispensers.
- * Reuse file folders and binders.
- * Post information on bulletin boards or use e-mail rather than distributing paper memos.
- * Reuse paper printed on one side for draft copies or make it into notepads.
- * Rent, lease, or contract for services instead of buying infrequently use equipment.

Recycling Electronics

You can recycle electronics at the Best Buy in Roseville. Just drop off tv's, vcr's, cd players, printers, and computers. TV's are limited to 32 inches and smaller. There is a limit of two (2) items per day. This is a great eco-friendly way to dispose of unwanted electronics.

Plastic Bags

It's in the Bag is a Twin Cities-based plastic bag and film recycling program managed by Minnesota Waste Wise, a subsidiary of the Minnesota Chamber of Commerce.

Consumers may deposit clean and dry plastic bags in specially designed *It's in the Bag* collection bins found at participating locations. The nearest location in St. Anthony is Cub Foods on Silver Lake Road.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT – AUGUST 5th; ST. ANTHONY TO JOIN CITIES NATIONWIDE FOR 'AMERICA'S NIGHT OUT AGAINST CRIME'

It's time to give neighborhood crime and drugs "A GOING AWAY PARTY"! On Tuesday, August 5th, neighborhoods throughout St. Anthony are invited to join forces with thousands of communities nationwide for the "25th Annual National Night Out" (NNO) crime and drug prevention event.

National Night Out is designed to: (1) Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness; (2) Generate support for, and participation in, local anti crime efforts; and (3) Send a message to criminals letting them know our neighborhoods are organized and fighting back against drugs and crime.

From 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. on August 5th, residents throughout St. Anthony, and across the nation, are asked to lock their doors, turn on outside lights and spend the evening outside with neighbors and police. Many neighborhoods throughout St. Anthony will be hosting a variety of events such as: block parties, cookouts, visits from the Police, Fire Department Personnel and St. Anthony City Officials.

In conjunction with National Night Out, the St. Anthony Police Department will be offering National Child Identification Kits and other crime prevention safety materials during visits to your neighborhood event.

The St. Anthony Cub Foods Store (3930 Silver Lake Road) is again partnering with the Police Department in promoting "National Night Out" events. The Cub Store is providing a 5 quart pail of Kemps vanilla ice cream to each resident who hosts a party on August 5th.

Residents who plan to host a block party on August 5th are asked to notify Sergeant Jon Mangseth by Monday, July 28th, by calling 612-782-3366. Please leave your name, address, phone number, approximate number of people you are expecting to attend your party, and what time your party will begin. The Police Department will deliver ice cream certificates prior to National Night Out. The City Public Works Department will deliver street barricades for those interested in blocking off their street. Sgt. Mangseth will notify the City staff regarding barricade needs.

Please consider hosting a National Night Out party in your neighborhood. This event has continued to grow in St. Anthony over the past several years. We would like to continue to set record breaking levels of involvement. Remember that this is a night for America and our Community to stand together to promote awareness, safety, and neighborhood unity.

If you would like more information on how you and your neighborhood can become involved, please contact the St. Anthony Police Department at 612-782-3350. A Crime Prevention Officer would be happy to assist you and your neighbors.

The City of St. Anthony website is www.ci.saint-anthony.mn.us. It is filled with a lot of useful information. Checkout the site!!

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