

VILLAGE notes

Winter 2006

A village in the city.

Notes from the Mayor

As we usher in the New Year it is an opportunity to reflect on the past and the future. We can analyze our successes and attempt to emulate that style as we look forward to the New Year.

Looking back, the commercial and city projects are quite visible and well known to us. However, I would like to point out that two of our churches have made significant investments in their infrastructure namely additions and renovations. Faith United Methodist has invested \$2 million in their church and Nativity Lutheran has invested approximately \$3 million in their church. When you have upgrading such as this it can only increase the health and vitality of the city. Also the International Union of Operating Engineers Local No. 49 have doubled their space in the industrial park. We now have an alternative for large venues as wedding receptions, Chamber of Commerce Annual meetings and other private and civic functions that can be housed right here in St. Anthony. This type of investment by private and religious organizations is indicative that St. Anthony is indeed someplace special to live, work, play and worship.

I congratulate the St. Anthony Chamber of Commerce for it exceedingly successful "Support Our Troops" fund raising campaign that ended on December 5th, 2005. Businesses and individuals contributed more \$3,200 for our troops serving in Iraq. The soldiers were given calling cards and military exchange gift cards for the Christmas holidays so they could be in touch with their loved ones. This was truly an awe-inspiring and generous outpouring from our St. Anthony Chamber of Commerce. I personally want to thank each one of you who gave so willingly - the generosity of our businesses and residents is truly beyond compare!

Looking forward, the impact of Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) on people's lives is unbelievable. They don't have to be big, well known organizations such as Bill Gates' foundation or other large nationally known foundations to have an impact. The one's that have greatest impacts are the local ones such as the Chamber, local churches Lions, Friends of the Library, Kiwanis, food shelves, Vital Aging Council, Relay For Life, St Anthony Civic Orchestra, Meals On Wheels, Sister City Association and many, many more. I would encourage each and every individual find an organization that you can support philosophically and financially and do what you can - and we all can do more. We need to devote ourselves to a higher purpose to make our community better than when we found it. Whatever you give in time or money, you will receive it back greater than you can imagine. So, as the new year begins, let us dedicate ourselves to a greater calling and challenge ourselves to do better than last year.

Happy New Year and share the compassion! Thank you, Villagers.

My best regards,

Jerry Faust

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St. Anthony Mission Statement

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

RECAP OF THE FALL FESTIVAL

Fall Fest started on a great note.... literally. Festivities began at the Village Amphitheater with St. Anthony High School Jazz Band followed by St. Anthony's Civic Orchestra. Both groups of musicians provided the crowd with a variety of music that was well received by the crowd. Once the crowd was warmed up they headed to the main stage where they were treated to a parody of "Santa Lucia" written and performed by Marilyn Jenson of The Village Condominiums sales staff. The Italian operatic theme was transformed into a song highlighting the joys and benefits to life in The Village. In addition to Marilyn's fine voice, Dan Hunt of Hunt Associates, co-developer of The Village Condominiums, emphatically punctuated the end of each phrase with his rich baritone voice. Len Pratt introduced all members of the development team including Pratt Ordway Partners, John Ordway and Lowell Pratt. Mark Morehouse from Dominion and Kelly Doran, Robert Muir Company. Mr. Pratt told the story of the vision behind Silver Lake Village and how choosing the right partners are key to the success of making that vision a reality.



Throughout the day The Village Condominiums at Silver Lake Village offered a sneak preview of it's now completed fourth floor "penthouse" model. Over 1500 visitors took advantage of seeing the work in progress. The first 1000 visitors were treated to a stadium seat to be used at the new park and Amphitheater. Apples courtesy of Pratt Ordway Properties provided a sweet sustenance to those touring the condominiums. Everyone got the chance to see firsthand the unique space and to learn about the ease and benefits of ownership in this exciting new part of St. Anthony Village. Those who took the time to take in the 4th floor view of Fall Fest were treated to a panoramic view of a village celebration to remember, complete with rooftop deck outfitted with a hot tub. November brought the Loft and Condo Tour that hosted another 600+ people through both models, some coming back for a second look after Fall Fest.

December brought the first closing and a few new residents are enjoying their lifestyle created just for them. Several new residents will be moving in throughout the next few months. We welcome them to Silver Lake Village and to St. Anthony.

THE LANDINGS

The Landings is a four story luxury rental community that has a total of 263 apartment homes. The community features an outdoor pool and spa, a large fitness center with sauna and tanning, a movie theater, a game room and community room with a full-size kitchen and pub area, conference room, heated underground parking, and a car wash bay. All units have in-unit washers and dryers, dishwashers and garbage disposals, and some units feature fireplaces, whirlpool tubs, walk-in closets, stainless steel appliances and granite countertops. Model units are available for tours.



The first phase of the building has approximately 90 units and was open to residents on October 1, 2005, and nearly 70 residents have already moved in. The second phase of the building has approximately 85 units, and will open for occupancy on January 1, 2006. The community room, game room, fitness center, and theater are currently available for residents use.

The third phase of the development is an active adult community for seniors age 55 and older and has a total of 88 units. The active adult community has a separate community area that includes a social room with full size kitchen, fitness room, arts and crafts room, medical exam room, and a beauty salon. The active adult phase of the building will be ready for move-in on March 1, 2006. A model unit for the active adult community will be available for tours on January 2, 2006.

CHAMBER NOTES

The St Anthony Chamber has had a number of events over the past few months. We also have a number of events that will take place in the next month before the newsletter is published along with events coming in the near future.

The month of August was a busy month for all Chamber members with Village Fest, Summer Beautification, and the Annual Golf Tournament. I had the opportunity, along with one of our scholarship winners (Jin Han) to participate in the Village Fest Parade. The annual Golf Tournament kicked off Village Fest again this year with over 120 golfers enjoying another beautiful day on the golf course. Thank you to Mike Larson and all the other volunteers who helped the day of the tournament, and also all the golfers. August is also the month that we name the Summer beatification winners. Congratulations Dave and Lisa Zurbey, Scott Elms, and Cindy Ahman who were this year's winners. I also want to thank Brian Pletscher from Pletscher's Greenhouse for sponsoring the event.

September brought a lot of planning for the events in October. The month of October was a busy month with Fall Fest and the Candidates Forum for City Council. Thank you to Dorothy Fleming for planning the Candidates Forum. One may think because it was an uncontested election this forum would be an easy one to plan, but that is not the case the same work goes into it contested or not.

Fall Fest was the biggest event the Chamber held since the Bulldozer Bash and it took place October 15. There were about 2000 people who passed through the new development, Silver Lake Village, throughout the day and evening. All who came had something to do or eat. There was a clown painting faces, Moonwalk, food vendors, beer tent, and live music. I want to send a special thank you to those who helped me plan this event, George Wagner, Mike Miller, Tom Harkins, Mike Larson, Rose Fitzjerrells, and everyone else who volunteered. I also want to thank the major sponsors Muir Doran, Robert Muir, Dominion, Wal-Mart, and Pratt Ordway.

The St. Anthony Chamber, under the leadership of veterans Jerry Faust and George Wagner has raised over \$3200 to send to the troops overseas. Specifically, the funds will go to the unit that St. Anthony High School graduate Commander Nick Holten is a part of. I also want to thank Berger Transfer for the generous contribution to this cause. Please keep our troops both overseas and here at home in your thoughts throughout the holiday season.

Remember what it was like in high school, and you were trying to figure out what you wanted to do for the rest of your life? Ever wonder what a certain job would be like, but you didn't know anyone who "did that?" Now you have the opportunity to give a student the learning opportunity that you may not have had! The Chamber is once again helping sponsor a Job Shadow day and we are looking for those willing to have a student shadow them. It will be held on April 27, and is a great way for students to get a peek at what different career opportunities are out there. If you are interested and willing to be shadowed by a student, or want more information, please call Barb Fenick or Andrea Scamehorn (612-321-4307) for more information.

Watch the St. Anthony Bulletin for information on the upcoming Business of the Year and Villager of the Year Awards. If you have a friend or neighbor who goes above and beyond, please pick up a nomination for at City Hall or visit www.saintanthonychamber.com. These awards will be given out at the Chamber of Commerce Annual Meeting in April. Another thing to look for in the St. Anthony Bulletin is the annual Chamber Buyer's guide. This book is filled with the merchants who help make all the above events possible, please shop local.

Tony Fragnito
Advertising Representative
St Anthony Chamber of Commerce President

St. Anthony's election results from the General Election held on November 8 are as follows:

Council Members (4 - year term)

Randy Stille	1200
Brian Thuesen	1066

Council Member (2 - year term) Special Election

Hal Gray	1185
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St. Anthony - New Brighton School District #282

School Board

David Evans	1104
Barry Kinsey	1100
Leah Slye	1115

Referendum Question:

Yes	1041
No	490

Total Number of Votes Cast

Hennepin	1300
Ramsey	245

2006 ELECTIONS

The 2006 Election will consist of a primary on September 12th and the General Election on November 7th.

The 2006 election year will bring some changes to the voting process. As part of the federally mandated HAVA (Help America Vote Act) of 2002 all elections held after December 31, 2005 must include a voting system that is accessible, provides safety, and independence to people with disabilities who are casting their votes. These machines will be in place for all the elections in 2006.

FLASHING BEACONS

Have you noticed the new lights on on Silver Lake Road by the fire station? These are warning lights for the fire department to activate when leaving the fire station. It then gives the oncoming traffic notice that the fire trucks are coming out the station. It is a great safety feature for the traffic on Silver Lake Road.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

January

16.....Offices Closed Martin Luther King Day
 17.....Planning Commission Meeting
 20.....Water Bills Mailed
 23.....Silver Lake Road Open House
 24.....City Council Meeting
 30.....Silver Lake Road Task Force Meeting

February

14.....City Council Meeting
 20.....Offices Closed President's Day
 21.....Planning Commission Meeting
 28.....City Council Meeting

March

14.....City Council Meeting
 20.....Water Meter Reading Cards Mailed
 21.....Planning Commission Meeting
 28.....City Council Meeting

2006 STREET AND UTILITIES IMPROVEMENTS

St. Anthony will be reconstructing the following streets from May to October:

30th Avenue NE from
 Stinson Blvd. to Wilson Street;
 Murray Avenue;

Roosevelt Street NE from St.
 Anthony Boulevard to 30th
 Avenue;

Coolidge Street from St.
 Anthony Boulevard to 29th
 Avenue NE.

Watch for additional information on the cable channel, upcoming newsletters and website.



COMMUNITY CENTER SECURITY UPDATES

Several months ago, the City hosted a community meeting regarding two criminal offenses that occurred in our city. The meeting was very productive and the attending residents had some good solid ideas about communication, as well as city hall security.

St. Anthony Police and Public Works then began to create a security upgrade plan for city hall. The police department began to look into how they could better communicate with the residents. To date, the following changes and upgrades have been made:

- * Mirrors have been installed over the bathrooms in the great hall. These mirrors allow anyone in the great hall to see behind the block wall which separates the great hall from the vending area.
- * The privacy film on the interior police department windows has been reduced allowing police employees to view the great hall and the mirrors installed over the bathroom entrances.
- * Covers have been installed on the police department hallway lights, so as to not allow them to be turned off.
- * Lighting of the rear exterior of the police department has been enhanced.
- * The police department now posts crime reports on the city's website and has a specific category for crime reports.

In addition, "window kits" have been ordered and are scheduled to be installed on all doors opening to the great hall. This will create a more open atmosphere and allow people on meeting rooms to view the activity in the great hall. The police department has also been working with several companies to enhance our security camera system for better coverage of the community center. We are also in the process of adding an "e-mail subscriber" system for automatic crime alert notification to subscribing residents. In addition, we are researching an automatic emergency phone dialing system.

The positive and constructive suggestions of you citizens were very much appreciated, and the enhancements are sure to make our city and community center a safer place.

A big thank you to the volunteers for helping the the utility billing department by stuffing envelopes and stapling meter cards together. Thank you for all your help!

CITY TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

Main Phone Number	782-3301
Utility Billing	782-3318
<u>City Manager</u> Michael Mornson	782-3311
<u>Assistant City Manager</u> Kim Moore-Sykes	782-3312
<u>Finance Director</u> Roger Larson	782-3316
<u>Public Works Director</u> Jay Hartman	782-3314
<u>Fire Chief</u> John Malenick	782-3401
<u>Police Chief</u> John Ohl	782-3351
<u>Liquor Operations Manager</u> Mike Larson	782-3455
<u>City Clerk</u> Barb Suci	782-3313

SNOWPLOWING ASSISTANCE REQUESTED

The snow season is upon us, meaning the plow trucks will be out sanding and plowing the streets. St. Anthony's snowplowing policy is to plow streets after any snowfall event of two inches or more. Please help plowing operations run smoothly by abiding by the winter parking ban. This is in effect from November 1st to April 1st, from 3 am to 7 am. Cars in the street hamper the plows and leave pockets of hardened, unplowed snow after the car is moved. The St. Anthony Police will issue a citation and the vehicle will be towed at the owner's expense. Other ways that you could assist with snow removal operations include:

- * Do not place refuse or recycling containers in the street.
- * Do not plow, blow or shovel snow across the street or into the street.
- * Pile snow downstream of the plowing operation to minimize snow left in your driveway from the plow.
- * Stay back when driving behind plow trucks.
- * Do not allow children to play in the snow piles at the end of driveways or along side the road.



With your cooperation, we can be more efficient and have the roads cleared in very little time.

SKATING RINK INFORMATION

Recreational/Hockey Rinks in St. Anthony

- * Central Park Pavilion, 3401 Silver Lake Road
- * Silver Point Park, 3010 - 29th Avenue
- * Emerald Park, 3925 Macalaster Drive

Hours of Operation - (weather permitting)

Monday - Friday

4:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Saturday

10 a.m. - 8:30 p.m. (closed 5 - 6 p.m.)

Sunday

1 - 8:30 p.m.

School Vacation Days & Holidays

10 a.m. - 8:30 p.m. (closed 5 - 6 p.m.)
(except Sundays)



CHAMBER LIGHTING CONTEST WINNERS

The Chamber held its annual Lighting Contest with the judging being done on December 15, 2005. The winners are as follows:

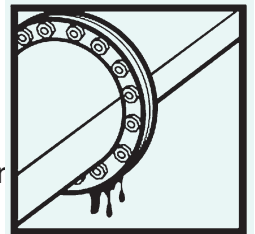
Autumn Woods Apartments
2700 Kenzie Terrace

Scott Elms
2904 Rankin Road

Congratulations the winners!!

SEWER OR WATER EMERGENCIES

If you have a sewer or water emergency, call City Hall immediately at 782-3301 during business hours or 782-3400 after hours. City crews will be dispatched to assist the property owner in taking care of the situation. Remember, the property owner is responsible for maintaining water or sanitary sewer services from their building up to and including the connection to the main water or sewer lines.



WINTER SURVIVAL KIT FOR VEHICLE

Assemble winter survival kits for all of your vehicles and keep them readily accessible inside your vehicle. The kit should include:

- * Three-pond coffee can, candle stubs and matches which can be used to melt snow for additional drinking water.
- * Metal Cup
- * Red bandanna and a plastic whistle to alert rescuers to your location
- * Pencil and paper, and quarter for phone calls
- * First aid kit including any essential medications
- * Plastic flashlight with spare batteries (reverse batteries to avoid accidental switching and burnout, and replace batteries yearly)
- * Two large plastic garbage bags. safety pins (bags are for insulation for feet, safety pins keep the bags together)
- * Snack foods for energy, such as candy bars.

Some other items that you should carry include extra sets of dry clothing, snowmobile suit, hat, gloves or mittens, winter boots, blankets and/or sleeping bags, jumper cables, a basic toolbox, a shovel, a bag of sand or other grit for traction, tow cable or chain, road flares and reflectors.

Whenever traveling in winter, call ahead to your destination and advise them when you intend to leave, what travel route you will take, and your expected time of arrival.

If you are stranded, never leave your vehicle. Your chances of survival greatly increase if you stay with your vehicle.

Consider carrying a cellular phone for use during emergencies. Find a safe place to pull off the road when you need to make a call.

For additional information about safe driving and winter survival kits, contact the American Red Cross (www.redcross.org), the Minnesota Safety Council or the Minnesota Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management.

IS THE CITY READY IF THERE IS AN EMERGENCY?

Yes, we are! By County (Ramsey) ordinance, the City is required to have an Emergency Operations Plan or EOP as it is known around City Hall. This document is to be reviewed annually by staff and updated as needed. This plan outlines for various City departments and staff members their responsibility should a city-wide emergency occur. It also lists agencies and organizations that the City can contact for additional support and resources. This plan was also used for the City's preparation and planning for events or emergencies associated with Y2K in 1998 and 1999.

The Fire and Police departments participate on an ongoing basis in any and all training offered by various agencies, including Homeland Security. In addition to an annual review, new techniques or procedures are also incorporated into the City's EOP. A public version of the City's EOP is on file at the Hennepin County Library branch location at the St. Anthony Shopping Center.

In addition to what the City is doing to prepare for a future emergency, it is also incumbent upon residents to be able to prepare themselves and their families for a potential emergency. As we all graphically witnessed with the destruction and resulting emergency in the Gulf Coast states, help sometimes can't get to people in a timely manner, no matter the reason. And it is precisely because help may be slow in coming that people need to be able to help themselves until help can arrive. The following information is provided by the Fire and Police departments and provide suggestions on how best to prepare for any natural or manmade disaster. (*continued on page 10*)

LOW-SALT DIET GOOD FOR THE WATERSHED

Did you know that 8-14 MILLION tons of rock salt, or sodium chloride, are placed on winter roadways in the US every year? The fate of salt in melting snow is a growing environmental concern because it can contaminate soils, water supplies and harm vegetation and wildlife. Drinking water wells have been shut down because of high salt concentrations resulting from winter applications. In the Twin Cities, Shingle Creek is federally listed as an impaired water due to the chlorides from salt used in snow and ice removal.

Individually, homeowners use fewer chemical deicer than road crews, but the cumulative effect may be considerable. The most common chemical deicer are sodium chloride, calcium chloride, potassium chloride and magnesium chloride and they work by lowering the freezing point of water. When wet, these chemicals dissolve and the resulting brine melts snow and ice. Abrasives, such as sand, cat litter and saw dust, are used to create traction on icy walkways when used alone or in combination with chemicals.

Both deicing chemicals and abrasives affect water quality. When snow and ice melt, they are washed off of driveways and sidewalks and down the nearest storm drain into our lakes, rivers and wetlands. By considering the following options, homeowners can make economical choices that eliminate icy walkways AND protect water quality.

- * Shovel or plow first. Removing snow buildup means using less salt and makes it more effective.
- * Use salt, deicer and abrasives only where needed, such as on slopes or in high traffic areas.
- * Consider using only abrasives (sand, sawdust or cat litter) to create traction. Sweep them up in the spring to keep them from washing away and becoming a pollutant.
- * Apply deicer evenly using a broadcast spreader instead of by the handful (see photo).
- * Choose round pellets. They reach the icy surface faster (see photo).
- * Consider using a liquid deicer with a handheld garden sprayer to prevent icing or to melt existing ice. One gallon equals 50-75 lbs. of salt for the same 2000 square foot area.
- * Read labels. Know what you are applying and affects of exposure. Some deicing chemicals corrode metal, damage concrete, kill lawns and harm pets by burning their feet and making them sick when they lick their feet. Many deicers are NOT pure. They may have other chemicals, such as iron cyanide to prevent clumping.



(Using a broadcast spreader distributes deicers evenly on sidewalks.)

For more information, contact the Mississippi Watershed Management Organization (www.mwmo.org).



SAVE THE DATE

American Cancer Society Relay for Life St. Anthony

in association with VillageFest

August 5 - 6, 2006

6 pm to 6 am St. Anthony Football Field Track

The American Cancer Society's Relay for Life is a unique celebration of Life in honor and in memory of those whose lives have been touched by cancer. It has been described as a "huge" compassionate support group" - a place where family, friends and neighbors join together to celebrate survivorship and honor those who have lost the battle. Relay for Life involves teams of 8-15 people who take turns walking or running around the track all night long. A party-like atmosphere prevails as team members camp out on the surrounding grounds and enjoy music, food, entertainment, including the special "Survivorship Lap" and "Luminaria Ceremony."

Bridging VillageFest with American Cancer Society Relay for Life makes it possible for our community, businesses, youth, churches, sport teams, faculty, service organizations, families and individuals to support and enjoy this weekend of celebrating our community and "Life" on "top of the hill" at VillageFest activities and at the "High School football field track" for Relay for Life!"

We invite EVERYONE in the community to get involved and begin forming their "TEAMS" and be a part of this amazing event that honors those touched by cancer, raises funds for research and support programs, and gives "HOPE" that someday cancer will be eradicated!

"It's about a community taking up the fight against cancer!" Planning meetings are held the 4th Tuesday of each month from 6:30 - 7:30 pm at the St. Anthony Community Center. If you would like to receive our Relay for Life Newsletter email Julaine Crossman at JulaineC@comcast.net

Everyone is Welcome! Questions Contact the Co-Chairperson

Michele Jacobs - 612-916-1135 - shellyjacobs@hotmail.com

Janna Steidl - 612-203-8971 - janna@efficacymusic.com

MacKenzie Wheeler - Mackenzie.Wheeler@cancer.org

"Hot Reads for Cold Nights" Adult Reading Program

January 3 - February 28
Free and open to the public

The Hot Reads for Cold Nights adult reading program will be held at the libraries in Arden Hills, Mounds View, North Saint Paul, Shoreview and White Bear Lake from January 3 through February 28. Participants may pick up their program materials beginning January 3 at any of these five libraries.

Read books, write reviews and earn an official Hot Reads for Cold Nights bistro mug. Everyone who reads eight books will be eligible for a prize drawing. Here's a chance for adults to have fun with a reading program just for them! This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Suburban Ramsey County Libraries.

PREPARING FOR AN EMERGENCY

Preparing Makes Sense! The likelihood that you and your family will survive a house fire depends as much on having a working smoke detector and an exit strategy, as on a well-trained fire department. The same is true for surviving a tornado, terrorist attack or other emergencies. We must have tools and plans in place to make it on our own, at least for a period of time, no matter where we are when disaster strikes. Just like having a working smoke detector, preparing for the unexpected makes sense.

Get an Emergency Supply Kit*: Be prepared to improvise and use what you have on hand to make it on your own for at least three days! While there are many things that might make you more comfortable, think first about fresh water, food and clean air.

Consider two kits - in one, put everything you need to stay where you are and make it on your own. The other should be a lightweight smaller version you can take with you if you have to get away. You'll need a gallon of water per person, per day for drinking and sanitation. Include in the kits a three-day supply of non-perishable foods that are easy to store and prepare, such as protein bars, dried fruit or canned goods. If you live a cold-weather climate, include warm clothes and a sleeping bag for each member of the family.

Also, include duct tape and heavyweight garbage bags or plastic sheeting that can be used to seal windows and doors if you need to create a barrier between yourself and any potential contamination outside.

Make an Emergency Plan: Plan in advance what you will do in an emergency. Be prepared to assess the situation. Use common sense and whatever you have on hand to take care of yourself and your loved ones. Your family may not be together when disaster strikes, so plan how you will contact one another. Consider a plan where each family member calls or e-mails the same friend or relative in the event of an emergency. Be sure each person knows the phone number and has coins or a prepaid phone card to call the emergency contact. You may have trouble getting through, or the phone system may be down altogether.

Depending on your circumstances, the nature of the emergency, the first important decision is whether you stay put or get away. Use all available information to assess the situation. If you see large amounts

of debris in the air, or if local authorities say the air is badly contaminated, you may want to shelter in place. Quickly bring your family and pets inside, close doors and windows, air vents and fireplace damper. Immediately turn off air conditioning, forced-air heating systems, exhaust fans and clothes dryer. Take your emergency supplies and go into the room you have designated. Watch TV, listen to the radio or check the Internet for instructions.

If you plan to get away, plan in advance how you will assemble your family and anticipate where you will go. Choose several destinations in different directions so you have options in an emergency. If you do not have a car, plan how you will leave if you have to. Take pets with you if you are told to evacuate. However, if you are going to a public shelter, keep in mind they may not be allowed inside.

Be Informed: Some of the things you can do to prepare for the unexpected are the same for both a natural or man-made emergency. However, there are significant differences among potential terrorist threats, such as biological, chemical, explosive and radiological, which will impact the decisions you make and the actions you take.

Go to www.ready.gov to learn more about potential threats and other emergencies, or call 1-800-be-ready for a free brochure.

Be prepared to adopt this information to your personal circumstances and make every effort to follow instructions received from authorities on the scene. With these simple preparations you can be ready for the unexpected.

***Recommended Supplies to Include in a Basic Kit:**

- Water - one gallon per person, per day for drinking and sanitation
- Food - at least a three-day supply of non-perishable food
- Battery-powered radio and extra batteries
- Flashlight and extra batteries
- First-aid kit
- Whistle
- Filter mask or cotton t-shirt to help filter the air
- Moist towelettes for sanitation
- Wrench or pliers to turn off utilities
- Manual can opener for canned food
- Plastic sheeting and duct tape to shelter in place
- Garbage bags and plastic ties for personal sanitation
- Unique family needs such as medications, infant formula or diapers, and important family documents.

BLOCK CLUBS by Officer Mark Mosby

The SAPD Crime Prevention officers assist with organizing block and apartment clubs. Block Captains encourage neighbors to know one another, watch out for each other, and report suspicious activity. Crime prevention officers work with neighbors in building a stronger and safer community. Annually, they promote National Night Out, an event encouraging neighbors to gather, meet one another and socialize.

What is an apartment or block club?

Neighbors who live in an apartment building or across the street or alley from each other, usually on one block, who work together to be alert and watch out for each other, call 911 when they see suspicious activity or crimes in progress and work to solve problems and deal with issues.

What are the benefits of organizing a block or apartment club?

Working as a team, neighbors can deter crime and improve the quality of life on their block or in their building. Crime prevention officers or other members of the police department can provide regular information about crime in your neighborhood to block and apartment clubs for dissemination to the club's members.

How do you go about organizing a block or apartment club?

One or more neighbors must volunteer to be the block/apartment club captain(s). We encourage you to have more than one person to share the responsibilities. These captain(s) will approach the houses or apartments in their area and inquire who is interested in joining the block/apartment club. Contact information is gathered from all who are interested and that information will be circulated amongst the members. Captain(s) will act as the liaison between the police department and the club members. We ask that you attempt to meet once annually to keep members up to date regarding crime trends, crime prevention topics as well as to meet new members. A crime prevention officer can be invited to these meetings if you choose. We ask that this be a separate meeting from the annual National Night Out.

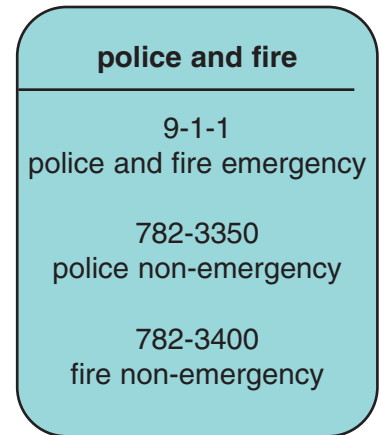
St. Anthony Police Department Crime Prevention Officers by city:

St. Anthony: Officer Dale Moore, Officer Mark Mosby

Lauderdale: Officer Jeffrey Spiess

Falcon Heights: Officer Jon Mangseth

Telephone: 612-782-3344



public safety

TIME FOR A CHANGE by Chief John Ohl

Recently, the police department has received some comments on the visibility of our squad cars. In addition, some residents have also indicated that the design of our squads seems old and in need of some updating. The strong trend in the Metropolitan area, and indeed in the nation, is to move back to a black and white squad car color scheme. The black and white color scheme will most certainly increase the overall visibility of the squads and immediately identify them as police cars. Ford has made this possible by offering a factory paint job, eliminating the need to get squads repainted which is rather cost prohibitive.

Updating squad car designs is not new to St. Anthony. In fact, we have changed our squad's design five times in the last 20 years. The current design has been kept for the last twelve years. We are working with the same company that currently designs and decal's our squad cars to get a fresh, new professional design. We will only be able to purchase two new squads this year, so the change will be gradual, over the next three years, before all of our squads have been converted. Look for the new design sometime in March 2006.

In addition to changing squad colors, our officers will also be changing to dark blue uniform shirts. Most suburban agencies have their police officers in dark blue and their reserve in light blue shirts. Currently, St. Anthony Police Officers and Reserve Officers both wear light blue shirts. At times, reserve officers have been mistaken as sworn police officers. The department needed to create some immediate visual differences between a sworn police officer and a reserve officer. Police officers will use their uniform allowance to pay for the change, so there is no additional costs to the city. Our reserve officers are also in the process of creating a new patch to update their look. You will begin seeing our sworn officers in their new uniforms starting January 1, 2006.

MAKE RECYCLING PART OF YOUR DAILY ROUTINE

In 1999, recycling and composting activities prevented 64 million tons of materials from ending up in landfills and incinerators. Today, this country recycles 28% of its waste, a rate that has almost doubled during the past 15 years.

While recycling has grown in general, recycling of specific materials has grown even more drastically: 42% of all paper, 40% of all plastic soft drink bottles, 55% of all aluminum drink cans, 57% of all steel packaging and 52% of all major appliances are now recycled. These percentages can rise up even more if every American would make recycling a part of their daily routine. Collecting and processing secondary materials, manufacturing recycled-content products, and then purchasing recycled products creates a circle or loop that ensures the overall success and value of recycling. For recycling to work, everyone has to participate in each phase of the loop.

Collecting - You can participate in a recycling program by separating and putting out your recyclables for for curbside pickup or taking them to the local drop-off or buy-back center. Recyclables are sent to a materials recovery facility to be sorted and prepared into marketable commodities for manufacturing. Recyclables are bought and sold just like any other commodity.

Manufacturing - Once cleaned and separated, the recyclables are ready to undergo the second part of the recycling loop. More and more of today's products are being manufactured with total or partial recycled content.

Purchasing Recycled Products - By buying recycled products, we are all playing an important role in making the recycling process a success. As consumers, if we demand more environmentally sound products, manufacturers will continue to meet that demand by producing high quality recycled products.

Get into the habit of recycling to help conserve the earth's resources and show your commitment to the environment. A lot of people doing something quite small, such as recycling cans, make a BIG difference!



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