

Village NOTES

"A village in the city"

Note from the Mayor

Dear Residents~

We hear a lot about the need for Americans to sacrifice but for the most part it does not appear that many of us want to participate. I would label this as a "Culture of Entitlement". I think if we asked ourselves, "do I have this trait?" most - if not all, would deny the concept. Yet when we look to our everyday activities and expectations it portrays a different outcome.

Most of us would agree that some businessmen, politicians and celebrities would fall into the category of a cultural of entitlement. My experience is that these individuals are not just from a particular group or ideology but they cross all social, economic and walks of life and it incorporates all political persuasions and sectors of America. However as I look closer to home i.e. myself, I find a certain amount of it also. Did I get the newspaper on time, despite the fact there was an ice storm the previous night, was I served in a timely fashion at the restaurant, grocery store etc in view of the fact that there is lower staffing levels due to the economy? It is easy to want the other person to change rather than looking introspectively at oneself.

I have been reminded of late, by a number of journalists of the words of candidate John F. Kennedy, "ask not what your country can do for you but what you can do for your country". I remember that summons of 50 years ago but I have seemed to forgotten the message over time. Some of it may be due to cynicism, current culture, constant news pessimism or whatever we are continually inundated with. But none the less I must do my part and not succumb to the "I am entitled" siren's song.

As we know the Federal government can go into debt, providentially the State, County, City and School cannot. Therefore we are required to do the right things and balance the budgets regardless of the relentless demand not to "gore my ox". Everybody wants security; from the armed forces down through and including the local police, everybody wants safety; from their roads, bridges, drinking water to fire departments, everyone wants the best medical care, everyone wants economic security and a well educated future work force i.e. kindergarten through college. But we also want low or no taxes – just cut out the waste, fraud and abuse is the mantra. Well I cannot speak about other levels of government but I can tell you at the local levels there is seriousness. We all want our favorite benefit but most of us don't want to pay for it hence the "Culture of Entitlement". We hear "I worked hard and brought myself up by my bootstraps and I got my mine." But when do we share, lend a hand, give back to our country and look to the next generations rather being self centered and myopic.

I know this can be hard to accept. But as individuals we all need to look at our everyday lives and see how we can be a part of the solution rather than continuing to be part of the problem. If each of us does our own small sacrifice those can add up to huge changes. We know most change begins at the individual and works its way up the hierarchy to force institutional changes.

St. Anthony Villagers are excellent examples for us to study, we have many generations that can be instructive to each other and we will all grow infinitely because of it! Just maybe this could be a new year's resolution that we can all embrace. Release that impediment of - I am entitled.

My best regards,
Jerry Faust



winter 2011

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

2010 A Year in Review



Here is a recap of the 2010 City Council activities:

The City of St. Anthony Village held 22 Council meetings. During these meetings, the Council approved 90 resolutions and two City ordinances. The Council held 16 HRA meetings and approved seven resolutions. The Council held 6 worksessions.

Looking to 2011.....

The City of St. Anthony will be conducting their annual street improvement project. For 2011, the project consists of:

- * **Belden Drive** (from 37th Avenue NE to 36th Avenue NE)
- * **Coolidge Street** (from 37th Avenue NE to 36th Avenue NE)
- * **Harding Street** (from 37th Avenue NE to 36th Avenue NE)
- * **Edward Street** (from 37th Avenue NE to 36th Avenue NE)

The project will consist of reconstruction of the street with bituminous paving and concrete curb and gutter. Also the project includes replacing the watermain and sanitary sewer main, installation of the new storm mains and new storm sewer catch basins.

The project reconstruction will be completed, including the first lift of bituminous and all restoration items in 2011. The final lift of bituminous will be installed in June of 2012.

Watch in the upcoming spring newsletter for more information!

2010 General Election

In traditional fashion, the residents of St. Anthony came to the polls on November 2, 2010. Our precincts were busy all day long. The number of ballots cast per precinct were as follows:

Hennepin 1 ~ 1,115
Hennepin 2 ~ 1,802
Ramsey 1 ~ 1,200
Total ballots cast ~4,117

The City of St. Anthony wishes to thank all the election judges who worked in the 2010 State General Election. We appreciate all their hard work and dedication during the election season. Without all of their work, this election could not run as smoothly and efficiently.

The City would also like to thank Autumn Woods and Chandler Place for allowing polling sites in their facilities. Both facilities were very accomodating and helpful on election day. The City of St. Anthony is very fortunate to have facilities such as these and appreciates the sacrifices they endured during election day.

2011 brings a Municipal Election on November 8th. Watch for more information in the upcoming newsletters.

If you are interested in becoming an election judge for the 2011 Election, you can download an application from the City's website or stop by city Hall and pick one up.

What St. Anthony Accomplished in 2010? by City Manager Mornson

As we start planning goals and projects for 2011 and beyond, it is always good to look back and review what was accomplished in 2010.

First of all, we completed the 2010 Street Project which consisted of Silver Lane and Highcrest Road. The project on Silver Lane consisted of street and utility reconstruction as well as sidewalks and street lighting improvements. The funding for this project was share with the City of New Brighton.

The Highcrest Road consisted of bituminous mill and overlay from 33rd Avenue to 37th Avenue. This project was completed with shared funding from the City of Roseville. The project also had new bituminous mill and overlay on Old Highway 8 from Highway 88 to 33rd Avenue.

Secondly, we continued to work on the redevelopment of Silver Lake Village, with the approval of an IHOP Restaurant where the old Bakers Square was located. The City approved a new development agreement to continue to complete the remaining development in the area. The remaining development at this time may consist of a Senior Housing Co-Op as well as Senior Housing Apartment Project.

Third, the City's Water Re-Use Facility located by the tennis courts won the Governor's Award for Pollution Control. This is the fourth award this project has received. Funding for this project came from Mississippi Watershed Management Organization, Hennepin County, and Rice Creek Watershed.

Fourth, the City through hard work of City staff, received grants and donations from local businesses/residents and partnerships with other government entities totally \$156,517. Most of the grants were used to help pay for capital equipment and training needed by our Police and Fire Department.

Fifth, staff redesigned the City's web site. The design, as well as the lay-out of the website was updated. This was completed with the goal of making the website more user-friendly. The project was completed with minimal costs to the City.

Lastly, the City installed security upgrades to all city buildings. This was completed to ensure the infrastructure of St. Anthony is safe and secure.

There were more projects and activities completed in 2010 but these six were some of the larger projects. All projects listed were goals identified in our Strategic Planning Report and are part of the City Goals for the year. The six goals that the City has as we enter 2011 are as follows:

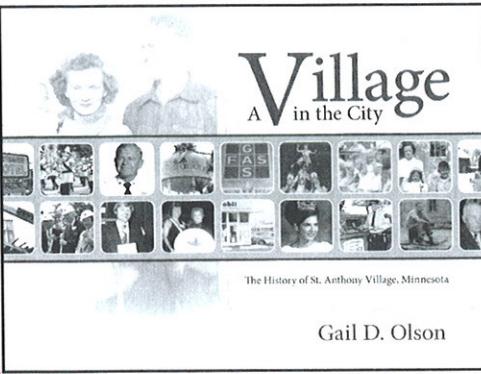
- ~ Environmental Stewardship
- ~ Improve and Maintain Housing Infrastructure
- ~ Technology Advances
- ~ Maintain/Improve Housing Stock
- ~ Generational Transitions
- ~ Strong, Sound Progressive Community

The City of St. Anthony engages in goal setting and planning of projects with thoughtful consideration and discussion. As Yogi Berra stated, *"If you don't know where you are going, you might end up someplace else."*

The **City Council** meets on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month.

The **Planning Commission** meets on the third Tuesday of the month.

The **Parks Commission** meets quarterly on the second Monday of the month.



Building the quality book of our dreams has taken us beyond our initial time projections. We apologize for those of you who were expecting the book to be available last fall. Now we can hardly wait until it comes out this winter. We are excitedly looking forward to a hardbound, high quality book of about 200 pages with over 200 pictures. Currently we are taking orders for the history at \$25 each or \$20 each for orders of three or more. Please do not send money with your order. To order your copies, complete the order form below and send to us at the address listed on the order form. Forms are also available at www.ci.saint-anthony.mn.us.

65th Anniversary of St. Anthony Village

ST. ANTHONY VILLAGE HISTORY **Advance Book Order Form**

Yes: We/I want to order _____ books at \$25 (Pre-publication advance orders for 3 or more books \$20 each)
Send No money now

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

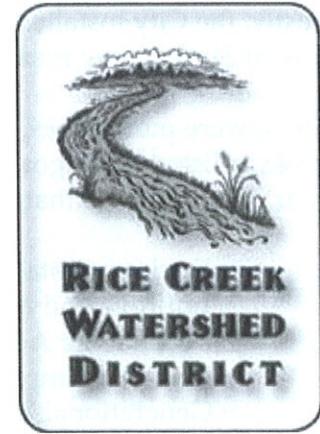
MEMBERSHIP: Yes, I am interested in joining the SAV Historical Society - \$10/year Check here _____

Send completed form to St. Anthony Village Historical Society, 3301 Silver Lake Rd NE, St. Anthony, MN 55418

RICE CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT

The Rice Creek Watershed District (RCWD) is once again seeking applications for our Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC). The RCWD is eager to work with the citizens and government bodies in the Rice Creek Watershed toward a more comprehensive and integrated water resource management paradigm.

The Rice Creek Watershed District board appoints CAC members for one-year terms. Previously appointed members may continue to service on the committee beyond the initial one-year term at will. RCWD's CAC currently meets on the first Wednesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at the Lino Lakes City Hall. However, there are no meetings in July or December. The purpose of the CC is to advise and assist the managers on all matters affecting the interests of the District and to make recommendations to the managers on all contemplated projects and improvements in the District. Members are also asked to keep current on water-related issues in their community and relay this information to the district.



If you are interested in serving on the Advisory Committee, you can request an application at the Rice Creek Watershed District office at (763) 398-3070 or download one off the home page of our website at www.ricecreek.org. The 2011 appointments to the Citizen Advisory Committee will be completed in February so please have your application turned into the District by January 28, 2011.

Saint Anthony Village

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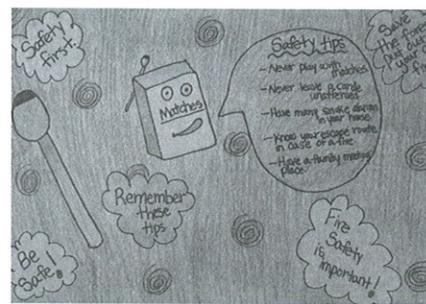
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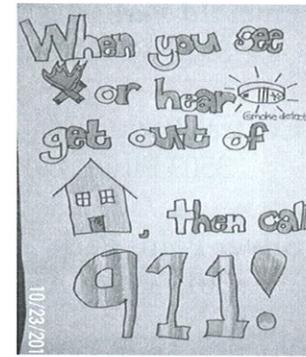
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 St. Anthony Middle School706-1030
 St. Anthony High School.....706-1100
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2010 Fire Safety Poster Contest Winners

The St. Anthony City Council recognized the 2010 Fire Safety Poster Contest winners at their December 14th City Council meeting. The winners are as follows:



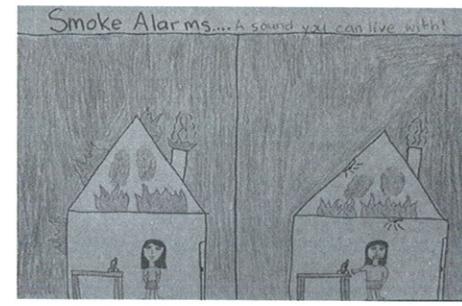
1st Place ~ Taylor Seim



2nd Place ~ Jenna Van Sickle



3rd Place ~ Erin McNamer



4th Place ~ Emily Sawyer

Congratulations to all the winners and we hope you continue with your fire safety procedures.

Coffee With The Mayor



Monday, January 24

1:30-2:30 p.m.

St. Anthony Community Center

Join us for coffee and learn what the new year brings for St. Anthony Village.

Mayor Jerry Faust will give an informal report about city news and upcoming projects for the coming year. Bring your questions and have an informal chat with our Mayor.

Please call community Services 612-706-1166 to make a reservation.

city information

Outdoor Ice Rinks

Looking for a free, recreational activity for your family? St. Anthony offers outdoor skating at three rinks in our community:

1 Emerald Park

3925 Macalaster Drive

2 Central Park

3503 Silver Lake Road

3 Silver Point Park

3010 - 29th Avenue

Hockey and pleasure rinks are available at each location.

All rinks have warming houses and are supervised.

**Hours of operation are:**

Monday - Friday 4:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Saturday 10 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Sunday 1 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

During school holidays, the rinks will also be open from 10 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. except on Sunday.

WARNING

An aeration system creating open water and thin ice will begin operation on Silver Lake in Anoka County T30R24 and Ramsey County T30R23 on or after January 18, 2011.

Weather conditions may cause the areas of thin ice and open water to fluctuate greatly. Stay clear of the marked area!

If there are questions concerning this aeration system, please call the City of St. Anthony at 612-782-3301.

**REPORT STREETLIGHT OUTAGES**

If you notice a street light out within the City, you can call Xcel Energy at (800)960-6235 to report it or you can download a form at:

www1.xcelenergy.com/od.outagereport/

Residents can print this form and fax it to Xcel Energy. Having residents report non-functioning street lights helps St. Anthony stay out of the dark!

ADOPT A FIRE HYDRANT

The St. Anthony Fire Department would appreciate residents' help in keeping the snow cleared away from pathways and fire hydrants. The accumulation of excess snow blocks the view of responding fire apparatus's to fire hydrant locations. Precious time is wasted when firefighters have to look for and uncover fire hydrants. Please help by occasionally shoveling around the fire hydrants, keeping them accessible in case of a fire.

WATER AND SEWER EMERGENCIES

If you have a water or sewer emergency, contact City Hall immediately at 782-3301 during normal business hours. For after hours service, contact the Fire Department at 782-3400. City crews will be dispatched to assess the situation and assist the property owner. Remember, the property owner is responsible for maintaining water or sanitary sewer service from their building up to and including the connection to the main water or sewer lines.

WINTER PARKING REMINDER

Residents are not allowed to park in ANY street for a period of 48 hours, beginning immediately after two (2) inches or more of continuous snowfall or until the snow removal has been completed curb to curb.

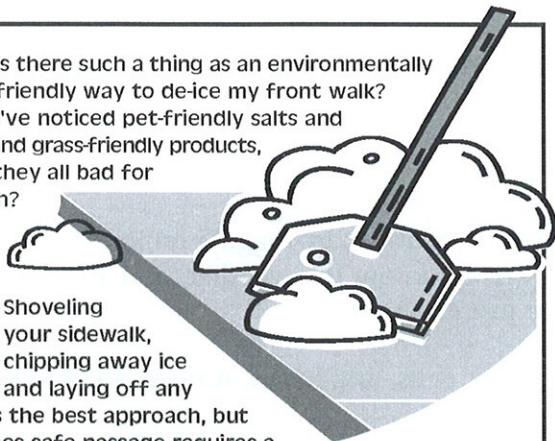
2011 WATER QUALITY POLL CALENDARS AVAILABLE

The Rice Creek Watershed District (RCWD) has complimentary 2011 calendars available for residents while supplies last. The calendars feature pictures taken within the Rice Creek Watershed District boundaries.

You can pick up a free calendar at St. Anthony City Hall.



Is there such a thing as an environmentally friendly way to de-ice my front walk? I've noticed pet-friendly salts and garden- and grass-friendly products, but are they all bad for the earth?



A.

Shoveling your sidewalk, chipping away ice and laying off any de-icer is the best approach, but sometimes safe passage requires a little extra. While rock salt (usually sodium chloride) is amazingly effective at melting ice, it's also a highly corrosive toxin that ruins soil, contaminates groundwater and is harmful to pets.

Many animal- and garden-friendly products are actually anti-icers that contain calcium magnesium acetate (CMA), a compound that prevents ice from forming. These anti-icers are available in both liquid and granular form but require frequent use and the ability to predict the weather.

If you still feel you have to use salt, you may want to switch from sodium chloride to potassium chloride, which is less corrosive. And ensure you are not using too much; a single handful is enough for a square yard area.

Source: Greenliving.com

Have an idea for Improving Water Quality? Let us help!

Are clean rivers and lakes important to you? Do you have a great idea for an Earth Day event? Are you a teacher that would like to install a raingarden as a class project? Would you like to throw a block party and teach residents about water friendly yard maintenance? Do you have other ideas for projects that would improve our water resources? If so, you may be eligible for a grant to help your idea happen.

The Mississippi Watershed Management Organization's grant program can help you with your ideas to improve water quality. Mini Grants are available for amounts up to \$2,000 for smaller projects, and the application is only a few pages long. Planning Grants of up to \$10,000 may be a better fit if you have a bigger project to plan and need funding to do so. Applications for both grants are due on February 1, 2011. To see examples of projects that have been funded and to learn more about the grant program, visit: www.mwmo.org/stewardshipfund.html. The MWMO wants to help you be a part of cleaner water!

<u>January</u>			<u>February</u>			<u>March</u>		
11	City Council Mtg	8	City Council Mtg	8	City Council Mtg	14	Parks Commission Mtg	
17	Holiday~ MLK Day	15	Planning Commission Mtg	15	Planning Commission Mtg	15	Planning Commission Mtg	
18	Planning Commission Mtg	21	Holiday ~ President's Day	22	City Council Mtg	22	City Council Mtg	
25	City Council Mtg					29	Joint Meeting School Board	

VillageFest Update!!

It is never too early to start thinking of next year's festival - and VillageFest is heading back to Central Park!!! There has been many comments on location over the past couple of years - both for the shopping center and for the park and we have decided to make the change back in 2011. The Friday night parade and street dance on will remain the same - but Saturday's activities will be back at the park. We are hoping to be able to add some additional activities with the change in location.

Anyone that is interested in helping with this community event is welcome to attend our planning meetings. We are specifically looking for help with solicitation and with teen activities- but there are many opportunities to get involved.

If you have any interest in helping- have comments or thoughts- please contact us at:
stanthonyvillagefest@gmail.com

Looking forward to seeing everyone there..

Julianne Hunter
VillageFest Chair

Winter Driving Tips ~ St. Anthony Police Department

Winter is coming fast, and every year as Minnesotans, we “learn” to drive all over again on winter roads. Every year there seems to be a bit of a learning curve with the first snowfalls of the season. In hopes of lessening the impact of these first few snow events, the police department wanted to remind drivers of a few safety and driving tips.

Knowledge — Before leaving home, find out about the driving conditions by logging on to MN DOT / Travel Information Services, www.511mn.org/default.asp. Safe drivers know the weather, and their limits. If the weather is bad, remember, “Ice and Snow...Take it slow, or just don't go.”

Inspect — Check your vehicle’s tires, wiper blades, fluids, lights, belts, and hoses. A breakdown is bad on a good day and dangerous on a bad-weather day.

Emergency Kit Supplies — Have an emergency winter kit in your car if you get stuck. A shovel, sand or ice melt, gloves, heavy winter clothing, food, candles, lighter and a blanket are just some of the items you will want to have with you. If you have a cellular phone, carry it with you to use if you get stuck or need help. A citizens band radio can be used as well to contact help.



Tires — Make sure that your tires have good tread and the air in the tires are properly inflated to the correct pressure. If using studs or chains call your local police department on when you can place them on your vehicle. Some cities and states have laws pertaining to the times that you can use them.

Gas Tank — Keep your gas tank close to full. If you get stuck the engine will be your only source of heat. Crack the window if you will be sitting with the engine running to avoid carbon monoxide asphyxiation.

Vision — Be aware of what’s going on well ahead of you. Actions by other vehicles will alert you to problems more quickly, and give you that split-second of extra time to react safely. Stay attentive and reduce speed. Know what’s going on around you.

Clear — Remove any snow on your vehicle’s windows, lights, brake lights and signals. Make sure you can see and be seen. Clear off the entire car, not just a peephole in the windshield which is illegal. All windows should be cleared, along with your headlights, taillights and outside mirrors.

Control — When driving on ice and snow, do not use cruise control and avoid abrupt steering maneuvers. When merging into traffic, take it slow. Sudden movements can cause your vehicle to slide. Do everything slowly. Accelerate slowly, turn slowly and brake slowly. Leave plenty of distance between cars. Plan on leaving earlier to work, shopping, business meetings, etc.

Brake — Brake early, brake slowly, brake correctly, and never slam on the brakes. If you have anti-lock brakes, press the pedal down firmly and hold it. If you don’t have anti-lock brakes, gently pump the pedal. Either way, give yourself plenty of room to stop.

First snow or ice — Drivers aren’t prepared for winter driving and forget to take it slow. Remember to drive well below the posted speed limit and leave plenty of room between cars. Give snowplows room to work. The plows are wide and can cross the centerline or shoulder. Don’t tailgate and try not to pass. If you must pass, take extreme caution and beware of the snow cloud.

Black ice — Roads that seem dry may actually be slippery — and dangerous. Take it slow when approaching intersections, off-ramps, bridges or shady areas — all are hot spots for black ice. Remember, “Ice and Snow...Take it Slow.”

CALL 9-1-1

If you see any suspicious activity happening.

POLICE OFFICE
612-782-3350

POLICE AFTER HOURS
763-525-6220

FIRE
612-782-3400
non-emergency

WINTER/HOLIDAY SAFETY TIPS from the St. Anthony Fire Department NFPA - (National Fire Protection Association)

public safety

Winter holidays are a time for families and friends to get together. But that also means a greater risk for fire. Following a few simple tips will ensure a happy and fire-safe holiday season.



Holiday decorating

- Be careful with holiday decorations. Choose decorations that are flame resistant or flame retardant.
- Keep lit candles away from decorations and other things that can burn.
- Use lights that have the label of an independent testing laboratory. Some lights are only for indoor or outdoor use, but not both.
- Replace any string of lights with worn or broken cords or loose bulb connections. Connect no more than three strands of mini light sets and a maximum of 50 bulbs for screw-in bulbs.
- Use clips, not nails, to hang lights so the cords do not get damaged.
- Keep decorations away from windows and doors.

Holiday entertaining

- Test your smoke alarms.
- Keep children and pets away from lit candles.
- Keep matches and lighters up high in a locked cabinet.
- Stay in the kitchen when cooking on the stovetop.
- Ask smokers to smoke outside. Remind smokers to keep their smoking materials with them so young children do not touch them.
- Provide large, deep ashtrays for smokers.



CARBON MONOXIDE SAFETY TIPS



Often called the silent killer, carbon monoxide is an invisible, odorless, colorless gas created when fuels (such as gasoline, wood, coal, natural gas, propane, oil, and methane) burn incompletely. In the home, heating and cooking equipment that burn fuel can be sources of carbon monoxide.

Safety tips

- CO alarms should be installed in a central location outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home and in other locations where required by applicable laws, codes or standards. For the best protection, interconnect all CO alarms throughout the home. When one sounds, they all sound.
- Follow the manufacturer's instructions for placement and mounting height.
- Choose a CO alarm that has the label of a recognized testing laboratory.
- Test CO alarms at least once a month; replace them according to the manufacturer's instructions.
- If the audible trouble signal sounds, check for low batteries. If the battery is low, replace it. If it still sounds, call the fire department.

- If the CO alarm sounds, immediately move to a fresh air location outdoors or by an open window or door. Make sure everyone inside the home is accounted for. Call for help from a fresh air location and stay there until emergency personnel.
- If you need to warm a vehicle, remove it from the garage immediately after starting it. Do not run a vehicle or other fueled engine or motor indoors, even if garage doors are open. Make sure the exhaust pipe of a running vehicle is not covered with snow.
- During and after a snowstorm, make sure vents for the dryer, furnace, stove, and fireplace are clear of snow buildup.
- A generator should be used in a well-ventilated location outdoors away from windows, doors and vent openings.
- Gas or charcoal grills can produce CO — only

SALT AND SAND

by Chuck Autio, St. Anthony Public Works Superintendent

The St. Anthony Public Works department is working to

decrease its use of salt in winter maintenance. They have begun to use pre-wetting methods, liquid de-icers and anti-icing efforts to reduce the salt they use to rid the roads of slippery conditions.



Anti-icing is the process of putting down a liquid chemical before the snowfall to keep the frozen precipitation from building a bond to the road surface. Anti-icing when done correctly can lessen the amount of salt used to clear snow from the road.

Liquid de-icing is the use of such liquid chemicals as calcium chloride or magnesium chloride or salt brine to rid the roads of ice and snow. This also reduces the use of salt and is better for our environment.

The city's plow trucks have also been equipped with pre-wetting tanks, which assist the salt being dropped on the streets. The tanks provide the salt trucks to carry a liquid to assist in pre-wetting the material they use to melt the snow after plowing. By being sprayed with a salt brine solution, the salt begins the melting process quicker.

With these combined efforts, the public works department is striving to reduce the amount of salt they use by over 30% reduction.



VALENTINE'S PARTY

Thursday, February 10

1:30-3:00 p.m.
St. Anthony Community Center
Admission: \$2.00

Bingo! Refreshments!

Stop by the Community Center 3301 Silver Lake Road to pay in advance and reserve your seat.

Tickets will also be sold at the door until capacity is met. Space is limited!

Please bring a signed Valentine and we will deliver it to the Veteran's Hospital in time for Valentines Day!

BIG BAND CONCERT

The St. Anthony-New Brighton Senior Citizen Advisory Council Proudly Presents:

THE MOONLIGHT SERENADERS

Tuesday, March 29, 2011

1:00-3:00 p.m.

St. Anthony High School Auditorium
3303 33rd Ave. N.E., St. Anthony

Admission: \$5.00 Advance
\$6.00 day of the show

Tickets available March 1 through 28 at the Community Services Office, 3301 Silver Lake Road
Telephone: 612-706-1166

Door Prizes Galore !!!
Sorry no refunds.

WHAT IS ORGANIC RECYCLING?

Organics in the recycling world is defined as food scraps and food-soiled paper products and makes up about 25% of what we throw away. By collecting and recycling these “organics”, it has been found that they can be turned into very valuable compost materials that are being used in landscaping and road construction projects. Organic materials such as food waste, soft tissue plant waste and non-recyclable paper, can be broken down by bacteria in a biological process called anaerobic digestion into this compost material. And consequently, the collecting and recycling organics reduces the amount being taken to landfills or burned in an incinerator.

Because recycling organics is being collected by large cities across the nation, Hennepin County is working to make organics recycling programs an option for more county residents. Ramsey and Washington counties have also teamed up and are working together with commercial organics waste generators to provide an organic waste management system utilizing anaerobic digester and are targeting organics from food-rich commercial waster generators such as retail grocers, food processors, and institutional kitchens. There are several cities in Hennepin County that are offering curbside collection of organics collection to there trash collection service. In St. Anthony, you should contact your hauler to see if they offer or will offer in the future an organics collection to their collection services.

Is organics recycling better than using a garbage disposal? Yes it is. Recycling organic waste into compost is more cost effective and environmentally friendly than using the disposal, which takes energy to run. When these organics are flushed down the drain by the disposal, more energy and other resources are required to process out solids, including food waste, at the wastewater treatment plants.

How does organics recycling work? Organics recycling is easy.

~Collect your food scraps and food-soiled paper products. They can be collected in an ice cream bucket or kitchen scrap bucket to collect scraps in the kitchen. Collection containers can be lined with a paper bag or a compostable bag to help keep the container clean. Compostable bags and kitchen scrap buckets are available at local retailers. You can also use paper milk, juice or ice cream cartons.

~Empty your organic waste into the organics cart provided by your hauler.

~Set out your organics cart on the curb on your trash collection day.

What materials are accepted? The following organics are what is usually collected. Call your hauler to verify that these items are collected as part of their service.

Food scraps:

- Fruits and vegetables
- Meat, fish and bones
- Bread, pasta and baked goods
- Egg shells
- Dairy products
- Coffee grounds



Other compostable items:

- Full vacuum cleaner bags
- Dryer lint
- Tissues and cotton balls
- Floral trimmings and house plants

Food-soiled paper products:

- Paper towels and napkins
- Paper plates and cups
- Milk and juice cartons
- Pizza boxes
- Egg cartons
- Boxes from frozen and refrigerated foods
- Waxed paper and paper containers
- Coffee filters and tea bags

Will organics smell? Organics will smell the same as your household trash. Remember, it is the same waste you have now, just separated into containers. To minimize odors, remember to put in food-soiled paper products or line your container with a paper bag to absorb liquid from food waste, line your container with a compostable bag to contain liquid, empty your container frequently, and rinse it out occasionally.

Will organics recycling cost more? This is a question that you should ask your hauler if they have this curbside pick up as part of the services they provide. Depending on how your service is setup, you may actually save money, according to Hennepin County's report.

How do I make organics recycling available to my community? Hennepin County continues to work with cities and haulers to expand residential curbside collection of organics. If you would like to have an organics recycling program in your city, let your hauler know that you are interested in this service.

Your hometown chamber, the St. Anthony Village Area Chamber of Commerce, has been active since the last City Newsletter was sent out this past fall.

We are delighted to have seven new members since the beginning of our calendar and fiscal year beginning 4/1/2010. Please join us in welcoming the newest Chamber members:

Village Orthodontics/Dr. Andrew Wahl.
Shaklee Sales & Consulting/Vernie Bjorklund
Twin Cities Dental/Sandie Hagemann

Faith United Methodist Church/Reverend Leigh Brown
Full Circle Tax & Consulting/Bridget Ardoyno Marilyn Jenson
Campaign for Constitutional Republicans/Tim Utz

As always, the St Anthony Village Area Chamber of Commerce reminds you to SHOP LOCAL – and support the businesses that support our community!

The Chamber also organized and hosted a **"Candidate's Forum Night"** for MN House of Representatives districts 54A and 50A, and MN Senate districts 50 and 54. The forum was held on Monday, October 18 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the St. Anthony Village City Hall. The program, moderated by Chamber immediate Past President Tony Fragnito (Lillie News), had two sessions; one for the House of Representative candidates, and one for the Senate candidates. The program, attended by close to 100 people, was free and open to the public.

By the time you receive this newsletter the Chamber Annual Holiday Lighting Contest and Holiday Party will have been held (December 16th). To find out the winners of the Annual Holiday Lighting Contest visit our web site at www.saintanthonychamber.org. If you didn't attend the Holiday Party or nominate someone for the Holiday Lighting Contest this year – plan on doing so next year!

Don't forget the Chamber of Commerce meets for lunch on the third Tuesday of every month. Our meetings include updates on Chamber & city activities and an interesting presentation from a guest speaker. The meetings are held at various Chamber member locations in St. Anthony Village. These lunch meetings are fun, informative and inexpensive (\$10 for lunch) and you do not have to be a chamber member to attend.

For further information on Chamber luncheons and other Chamber activities, contact Kelly Salseg at info@saintanthonychamber.org and become a frequent visitor of our web site. The website is updated monthly.

Thanks and we hope to see you at all or some of our upcoming events!

Regards ~
Kelly Salseg
St Anthony Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director.

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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