

CITY CONTACT



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The City of Mound, through teamwork and cooperation, provides, at a reasonable cost, quality services that respond to the needs of all citizens, fostering a safe, attractive and flourishing community.

Message from the Mayor

Dear Fellow Citizens of Mound,

I have an assortment of topics to update you on this time around.

The Walgreens project continues to make progress along with the small bistro/café along the trail that will be constructed with it. If this project receives final approval, (which is anticipated somewhere around the publishing date of this newsletter) we are hoping that this will act as a bit of a stimulus to expand activity elsewhere in the downtown area. No promises, but we are hopeful.



Mark Hanus

There have been a couple of inquiries for development on the Auditors Road area already. There is nothing formal at all, but I want you all to know that interest has picked up a little bit. For now, we try to nurture and explore these ideas and remain optimistic.

The Schafer Richardson proposal for an affordable housing project where the old clinic was located in Commerce Place has been withdrawn and is no longer on the table. This received very tentative interest by the City Council and there were many concerns expressed by all. The hurdles were significant and, in my opinion, it had only a limited chance of surviving through the approval process. But regardless of your personal opinion of the project, we were obligated to give the property owners a fair and reasonable shot at redeveloping their own property. That reasonable opportunity was provided.

I urge everyone to participate in the Mound Centennial events this year that run from July 13th through July 22nd. The celebration promises to be fun and engaging for both adults and children. With many new events that we have never had before, there is without a doubt something for everybody to enjoy. Whether you actively participate or just attend, being part of this historic centennial celebration will be something to remember for many years to come. Keep an eye on the schedules at www.spiritofthelakes.com.

Respectfully,

Mark Hanus

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Mayor

Mound Fire Department 2012 Fish Fry and Dance

Mound firefighters are gearing up for the 61st Annual Fish Fry and Dance. The fish fry is scheduled for Saturday June 2, 2012. The event ticket includes dinner featuring the traditional fish meal and an evening dance with live music featuring **Big Toe and the Jam**. Tickets will be sold in advance by firefighters for \$10.00 each and at the door for \$12.00. Details are as follows:



What: MFD Fish Fry and Dance
Fish Dinner and Refreshments
Music by: **Big Toe and the Jam**

When: Saturday June 2, 2012
Dinner: 3:00 – 8:00 p.m.
Dance: 8:30 p.m. – Midnight

Where: Mound Public Safety Facility
2415 Wilshire Boulevard

Mound firefighters will be selling tickets in advance by canvassing neighborhoods and local business establishments. For advance purchase tickets, please call Vicki at the Mound Public Safety Facility office at 952-472-3555.

Join us for a great time, benefiting Mound Fire Relief Association.



PROPERTY TAXES



This economy continues to produce anomalies, one of which causes confusion for many residents. People often wonder how their property taxes can go up when their home value is going down. The question highlights an issue that is somewhat unique to Minnesota's property tax system. The City Council and other local taxing bodies control the amount of property tax applied against all parcels in the jurisdiction, but they do not control the property's valuation. The City contracts with the Hennepin County Assessor's Office who monitors and adjusts the market values of properties from year to year.

Property taxes support local school districts, the city, the county, and other special districts including the Minnehaha Creek Watershed District. The city's portion of the property tax bill is about 35%. That amount, \$0.35 cents per property tax dollar, pays for police, fire, parks, engineering, streets, planning and zoning, capital expenditures, debt service and general administration. Other services such as water, sanitary sewer, recycling, and storm water management are covered through user fees and are not part of the property tax bill. The taxes levied by the City of Mound went down by \$121,000, or 2.24%, from 2011 to 2012. The 2012 levy amount of \$5,286,223 equates to \$584 per capita, based on the 2010 census of 9,052 residents in Mound.

The City is doing everything it can to keep the City's levy low while meeting the needs of our community, including replacing much of the vital infrastructure and promoting redevelopment. We are proud of our accomplishments these first 100 years and hope to maintain our City as a vibrant, scenic destination for our residents and visitors for years to come.

Celebrate the City of Mound's 100th Birthday at the 2012 Spirit of the Lakes Festival

The communities on the western shores of Lake Minnetonka are proud to hold their annual Spirit of the Lakes Festival, with expanded events and times for 2012!

Primarily situated at Surfside Park & Beach (formerly Mound Bay Park), Spirit of the Lakes Festival is a popular summer tradition organized exclusively “by community, for the community” bringing thousands of residents and families together in celebration of Westonka’s historical, rich heritage.



What makes this year’s Festival special is that on August 23, 2011, Mound’s City Council named Spirit of the Lakes Festival as the official Centennial celebration for the City of Mound. What better way for a city to celebrate its 100th Birthday than with an extended party that includes festive activities and the highly-anticipated fireworks show over Lake Minnetonka.

Plan now to participate in this historic Festival as we celebrate the City of Mound’s 100th Birthday. Please check www.SpiritoftheLakes.com and “like” us on Facebook for up-to-date events, free shuttle bus and weather information as more events are being added. If interested in helping or have questions, please call/email the event hotline: (952) 334-6551 or info@SpiritoftheLakes.com

FRIDAY, JULY 13

- 7a-7p Ridgeview Medical Center Health Screening (Ridgeview Westonka Clinic)
- 4p-7p Registration for Volksmarch 5K and 10K non-competitive walk* (Mound Greenway)

SATURDAY, JULY 14

- 6.30a-10a Centennial 5K and 10K Competitive Race* (Mound Greenway & Pier)
- 9a-2p Westonka Community Education Health & Wellness Fair (Mound Greenway)
- 12p Surfside Sand Volleyball Tournament* (Surfside Park & Beach)
- 3p Skateboard competition* (Zero Gravity Skate Park)

SUNDAY, JULY 15

- 7a TriTonka Adult Sprint Triathlon* (Camp Kingswood Beach Minnetrista)
- 10a TriTonka Youth Fun Run & Bike* (Mound Greenway & Pier)
- 1p-2.30p Fishing Clinic/Kid’s Fishing Competition* (Centerview Beach)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 18

- 5p Bingo and pulled pork dinner (Gillespie Center)

THURSDAY, JULY 19

- 5p-8p Boots & Badges Safety Fair, Kiddie parade (Surfside Park & Beach)
- 7p-12a “Music in the Park”, Beach Bar, “The Branden Projekt” band (Surfside Park)

FRIDAY, JULY 20

- 5p-8p Kid’s entertainment (Surfside Park & Beach)
- 5p-12a Beach Bar (Surfside Park & Beach)
- 5p Wine and Sake Tasting (Surfside Park & Beach)
- 6p-12a “Mighty Le Caw”, “Ladies of the 80’s”, “Rock it Science” bands (Surfside Park)
- 7p-8.30p Beer tasting* (Surfside Park & Beach)
- 7.45p-8.15p . . North Star Roller Girls scrimmage (Surfside Park & Beach)

SATURDAY, JULY 21

- 7a-12p OES French toast breakfast (Mound Masonic Lodge)
- 9a-3p West Side Auto car show (West Side Auto)
- 11.30a-10p . . . Kid’s entertainment (Surfside Park & Beach)
- 10a-11.30a . . . Grand Parade (Starting at Surfside Park & Beach heading North)
- 11a - 7p Westonka Historical Society Display (Surfside Park & Beach / The Depot)
- 11a-11.30p . . . Beach Bar (Surfside Park & Beach)
- 11a-7p Arts Festival, Business Showcase, stage entertainment (Surfside Park)
- 11.30a-12p . . . Money Mound (Surfside Park & Beach / waterfront)
- 12p, 1p, 2p . . . Westonka Historical Society Al & Alma’s boat tour* (Surfside Park/The Depot)
- 1.15p, 3.15p . . Wine tasting* (Surfside Park & Beach / The Depot)
- 4p-4.30p Centennial Program with monument unveiling (Surfside Park & Beach)
- 4.30p, 6.30p . . “Soul Tree” band (Surfside Park & Beach)
- 5.15p-6.30p . . Beer tasting* (Surfside Park & Beach / The Depot)
- 7.15p-8.30p . . Spirits tasting* (Surfside Park & Beach / The Depot)
- 8p-9.30p “The Rhino Band” (Surfside Park & Beach)
- 9.30p-10p . . . Fire dancers (Surfside Park & Beach)
- 10p (approx.) . . Fireworks (Surfside Park & Beach)
- 10.30p-12a . . . “The Rhino Band” (Surfside Park & Beach)

SUNDAY, JULY 22

- 9a-10.15a Lakeside non-denominational church service (Surfside Park & Beach)
- 10a-2p Antique Boat and Car Show* (Mound Greenway & Pier)
- 12p, 2p Mound Historical Bus Tour (Mound Greenway & Pier)

* Denotes ticketed event, please see www.SpiritoftheLakes.com for registration information.

Message from the City Manager



Kandis Hanson

Mound's Centennial celebration officially got underway March 27 with the unveiling of the Bruce Miller Mound Centennial commemorative painting. The first copies of the 100-Year Commemorative Book also went on sale for the first time at the reception following the unveiling.

Nationally-acclaimed local artist Bruce Miller created the original oil painting to commemorate the 100-Year Anniversary of Mound's incorporation in 1912. After unveiling the piece, Miller announced that he was donating the original to the City for permanent display and viewing access for all residents. Reproductions of the painting will be available for sale and the piece also serves as the cover of the Commemorative Book and will be printed on Centennial event T-shirts.

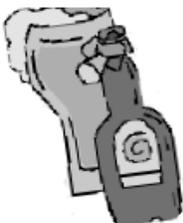
The unveiling was held in conjunction with the Mound City Council's regularly scheduled meeting and included remarks by Mayor Mark Hanus, City Manager Kandis Hanson, John Beise who is co-chair of the Centennial Book Committee and Miller himself. The artist explained the symbolism of the painting that depicts Mound's history past and present. The main image of a sailboat on Cook's Bay was inspired by the City's logo and the boat has the word "Mound" on the back and the numbers "M 100" on its sail. The Depot and the playground equipment can be seen on shore and the clock towers of the Transit Center above the trees, but the old Surfside Restaurant is painted in its original location where Chapman Place now stands. The three seagulls in the sky recall the logo of Mound Metalcraft which later became Tonka Toys.

Included in the unveiling and the dedication was a short video, produced by Hanus, showing Miller in the midst of his artistic process as he developed this special painting for Mound. Miller has been a resident of the community for more than 25 years and he and his wife have raised their family here. At one time exclusively a wild-life artist who worked in acrylics, Miller is perhaps best known throughout the country as the 1993 Federal Duck Stamp winner. In the ensuing years Miller has begun painting in oils and expanded his range to include landscape art and other styles.

The 100-Year Mound Commemorative Book also released at the unveiling celebrates the community and its rich past and recent history. Compiled by members of the Westonka Historical Society, area community members and staffers at the City of Mound, the 32-page book is a keepsake for every family to share and cherish as Mound puts a cap on 100 years. The inside cover contains a full run-down of events of the 10-day celebration scheduled for July 13-22. The commemorative book is affordably-priced at \$10 and is available at the Mound City Hall and other prominent retail locations.



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MOUND, MN 55364
952-472-0648**



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Saturday, May 12, 2012 – 8 am to 3 pm

City of Minnetrista
7701 County Road 110 West
Minnetrista, MN 55364

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WILL BE ACCEPTED:

PAPER SHREDDING 11:00 am – 1:00 pm (Only) **\$1.50** per brown paper grocery bag

Appliances: **\$10 each:** Dehumidifiers, Dishwashers, Dryers, Freezers, Furnaces, Garage Door Openers, Garbage Disposals, Humidifiers, Microwaves, Refrigerators, Stoves, Trash Compactors, Washers, Water Heaters
\$25 each: Air Conditioners, Water Softeners and Small Copiers

Batteries: **No charge for household batteries**

Carpet: **\$1.25/per square yard** (Jute, Rubber, Foam Padding)

Concrete: **\$1.00/per construction size block**

Electronics: **\$5.00 - laptop computers, stereo, CD/VCR/DVD players, small printers, computer box**
\$10.00 -13" CRT TV, small laser printers,
\$15.00 - 19" CRT TV, CRT computer monitors
\$20.00 - 25" CRT TV, large laser printers

Fluorescent Bulbs: **4 ft: \$.25 each 8 ft: \$.50 each**

Furniture: Chairs and Recliners: **\$ 5 each**, Loveseat Couch: **\$8 each**, Sofa: **\$15 each**, Hide-a-bed: **\$25**

Mattresses/Box Springs: **\$15 each**

Misc Items: Household Plastic, Plastic Toys, Styrofoam, Foam Rubber, Vacuum Cleaners will be charged at **\$15 per cubic yd.**

Phone Books: **No charge: Container will be provided**

Scrap Metal: **No charge for:** Lawn Mowers, Swing Sets, Lawn Furniture, Grills, Auto Parts, Springs, Pipe, Metal Window Frames (no glass), Auto Batteries, etc. **\$ 1 charge:** Bicycles w/tires

Tires: Car and Pickup: **\$2.00 each**, Semi Truck: **\$6.00 each**, Tractor: **\$25.00 each**

Household items: Clothing, Small Working Appliances, Games, Domestic Items (pots, pans, dishes, etc), Tools, Lamps, etc will be accepted at **No charge**

ANY QUESTIONS: CALL City of Mound at 952-472-0603 or City of Minnetrista at 952-446-1660

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED:

Brush, Cans, Cardboard, Construction Waste, Garbage, Glass, Hazardous Waste (Paint, Oil Thinners, etc.) Insulation, Leaves, Lumber, Newspaper, Wood, Treated Lumber, Gas Refrigerators

Indian Knoll Manor Public Housing - The Mound Housing and Redevelopment Authority (Mound HRA) has contracted with HUD to meet the need for affordable housing in our community and to provide a safe, secure place in which the elderly, disabled or handicapped citizens of Mound can reside comfortably. Indian Knoll Manor Apartments, located at 2020 Commerce Boulevard, has one bedroom and studio apartments. Please call the Housing Coordinator at (952) 472-5078 for an application or to take a tour.



Adopt-A-Green Space

The City of Mound would like to thank the following individuals, groups and businesses who volunteered to participate in the City's Adopt-A-Green Space program last year. These dedicated volunteers adopted a planter box, park or beach. The plantings in the planter boxes were donated by the volunteer and cared for by them throughout the growing season. Volunteers who adopted a park or beach may have helped with spring and/or fall clean-up, weekly, monthly clean-up and or/litter pick-up. The generous donation of their time, energy and plantings is greatly appreciated. Below is a list of our volunteers. Thank you for your service to the City.

Teresa Babler & West End Welding
Rita Blackowiak & Three's Company Hair
Tim Blair & Press Perfect
Kevin Borg & Mound Westonka Rotary
SharonCollings
Heidi Cowell
Lisa Engelking & River Valley Church
Marion Finegan
David Greenslit & Green T Accounting
Debi Heitz
Michelle Herrick & neighbors
Karen Hibbs
Sharon Holden & Westonka Snoblazers

Donald Hules
Carol Laurie & Curves
Teresa Lee
Jim & Melissa Murphy & family
David & Cyndi Olson
David Osmeck
Vickie Pederson
Germaine Persing
Marjorie Rines & The Trading Post
Cliff Schmidt
Mary Lou Vanderhoef
Betty Jane Weiland

Those who wish to Adopt-A-Green Space this year may call Jill at 952-472-0607 or email jillnorlander@cityofmound.com.

SPRINKLER RESTRICTIONS IN EFFECT

Just a reminder that sprinkling restrictions are currently in effect. According to Mound City Code 610.50, Subd. 12, from May 15 to September 1 of each year, odd/even lawn sprinkling regulations shall be in effect for all lawn sprinkling systems where water is supplied by the City of Mound Water Department. Properties with even numbered addresses may sprinkle only on days with even numbered dates. Properties with odd numbered addresses may sprinkle only on days with odd numbered dates. A one (1) month exception from the odd/even sprinkling restriction may be granted for newly planted sod, grass or landscaping upon registering for exemption and recommendation of the Public Works Supervisor. Other exemptions may be granted upon evaluation and recommendation of the Public Works Supervisor. If you have any questions, or need to register an exemption, please call Joyce at 952-472-0603.

Summer Storms and Your Safety

While we all enjoy the summer season that offers us so many outdoor recreational opportunities in the Lake Minnetonka area, a few reminders on Summer Storm Safety are in order. The three primary hazards from summer storms are tornados and/or straight line winds, lightning, and flash flooding.

Mound has three outdoor warning sirens that provide warning coverage throughout the City. In the event of pending Severe Weather (tornado activity and/or hurricane force straight line winds) the county warning point will sound our sirens. Radio, TV, and NOAA Weather Radio, will all broadcast information that will be needed to respond safely to any warnings at hand. If you are in an area impacted by severe weather, take shelter immediately. In your home or another structure, the safest area would be on the lowest floor, in an interior, windowless room.

Driving a vehicle in the area of a tornado or hurricane force winds is very hazardous. If you are caught in your vehicle under these conditions, and cannot get to a more suitable shelter, park, secure your seat belts, keep your body below the level of your windows, cover yourself with blankets or other heavy clothing, and protect your head with your arms.

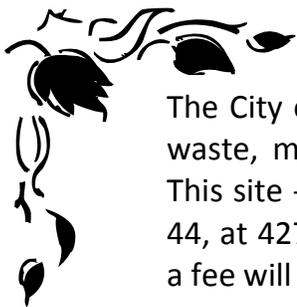


The great risk in being caught outdoors in severe weather is not only from flying debris, but also from lightning. If you are boating or swimming, get to shore IMMEDIATELY. If on a golf course, put your clubs down (which I should have done years ago) and make your way to the nearest shelter. Lightning tends to strike the highest object in the vicinity, so do not stand under a tree, or near a power pole. If you are in an open area, find a ravine or depression for shelter.

Finally, heavy rain can overwhelm storm sewers, drainage ditches, and low areas on roadways. Six inches of flowing water can knock you off your feet, and less than two feet of flowing water can carry a vehicle away. Flash floods are the #1 cause of death from thunderstorms each year. The temptation for kids to play in flooded areas can lead to tragedy. If you come across water rushing over a road, **Turn Around.....Don't Drown!!**

Deaths and injuries from severe weather causes have declined consistently in recent years. Better technology, warning systems, and public awareness have all been instrumental in improving the margin of safety throughout the country. However, none of this matters unless we individually take responsibility to provide for our safety as soon as we are aware of the pending dangers severe weather will inevitably bring.

Dean Mooney
Interim Police Chief



FREE LEAF DUMPING

The City of Mound provides Mound residents free disposal of leaves, weeds, garden waste, milfoil, and grass/lawn clippings, at the compost site located in Minnetrista. This site - THE MULCH STORE - is located on Hwy. 7, just 3 miles west of County Road 44, at 4275 Creekview Circle. Mound residents MUST provide picture identification or a fee will be charged to dump leaves.

The compost site is open April 1, 2012 Monday thru Friday from 8:00 – 5:00, and on Saturday from 9:00 – 1:00, through November 30, 2012.

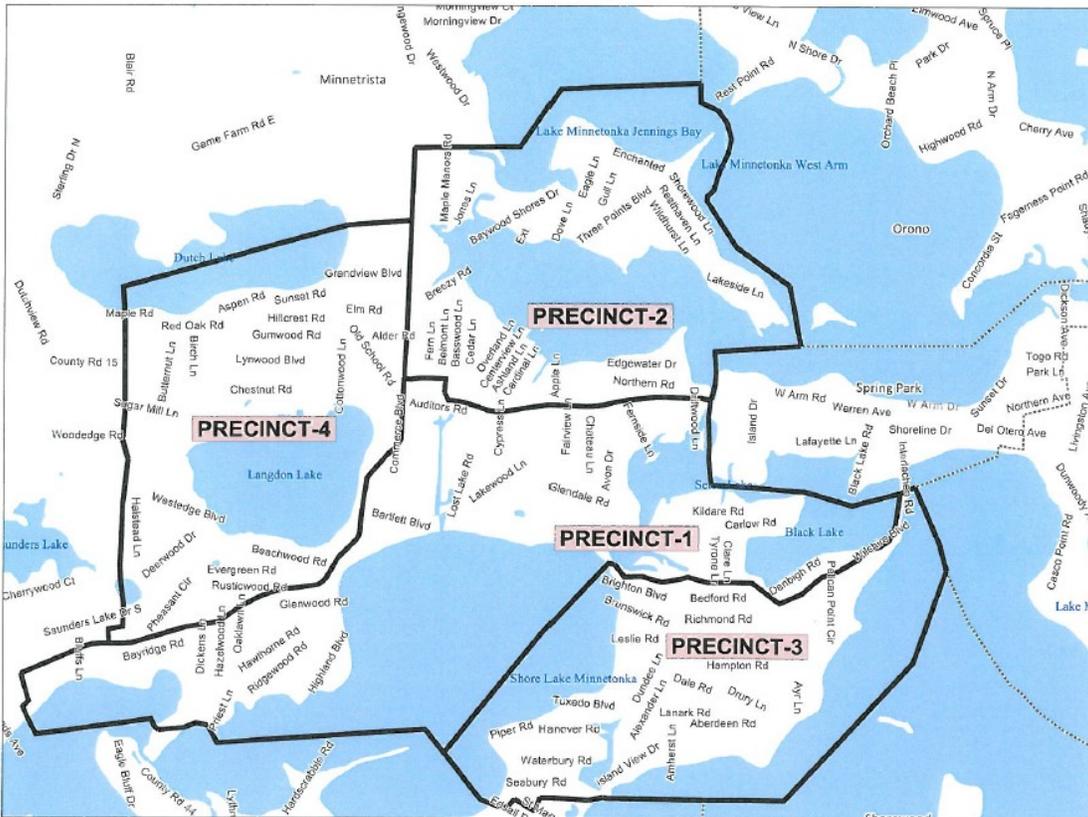
If you have any questions please call the Mulch Store at (952) 446-1056 or the City of Mound at (952) 472-0603.

BRUSH DISPOSAL

The Mulch Store (directions above) also accepts brush, limbs, logs, and stumps for a fee, based on volume. Call (952) 446-1056 for prices.

Voting Precinct and Polling Place Changes

Following the 2010 census and 2012 redistricting, the City of Mound has changed voting precinct lines and polling place locations. These changes were made to even out our precinct populations, and to have polling places that meet election regulations. The following map shows the new precinct lines. The polling places are as follows:



- Precinct 1 - Mt. Olive Lutheran Church, 5218 Bartlett Boulevard
- Precinct 2 - Bethel United Methodist Church, 2116 Commerce Boulevard
- Precinct 3 - St. John's Lutheran Church, 2451 Fairview Lane
- Precinct 4 - The Gillespie Center, 2590 Commerce Boulevard

Hennepin County will be mailing out postcards to all registered voters, informing them of their correct voting precinct and polling place. Please look for this postcard in your mail, because many Mound voters will have a change in either their precinct designation and/or polling place. For more information and important election dates, go to the City's website at www.cityofmound.com and visit the Elections page.

Hats Off to the American Legion!!

The City would like to extend a big THANK YOU to Kevin Wells and the Mound American Legion Post 398 for their donation of 52 American flags for use on the new light poles lining Shoreline Drive and Commerce Boulevard. In addition to organizing commemorative events and veteran support activities, the American Legion lobbies on behalf of the interests of veterans and service members, including support for veteran pensions and the veterans hospital system.

The American Legion also provides flag education in an effort to build patriotism in our youth and to create an understanding of proper flag display and courtesy. If you have a flag that is worn or faded, the Legion will dispose of it in a proper service of tribute and memory so that it may be honorably retired from life. Contact the Legion at 952-472-9582 for further information.



Be Predictable

Travel in a consistent and predictable manner. Always look behind before changing position on the trail.



Don't Block the Trail

When in a group, avoid using more than half the trail.



Dog Walkers

Keep dogs under control and on a 6' non-retractable leash.



Keep Right

Stay to the right side of the trail as is safe, except when passing another user.

"PASSING ON YOUR LEFT"



Pass on the Left

Pass others, going in your direction, on their left. Faster traffic must yield to slower and oncoming traffic.



Give Audible Signal

When passing a frequently used warning is... "PASSING ON YOUR LEFT." A clear warning signal may be given by voice, bell or horn.



Helmets

Bicyclists, skaters and skateboarders should always wear a properly fitted helmet.



Stop Means Stop

Trails all the rage - Increased trail popularity leads to greater safety focus

It's hard to imagine a peaceful ride along the Dakota trail turning into conflict, or worse, an accident. But it can happen. That is exactly the reason Three Rivers Parks trail managers are focusing attention on safety, intersection enforcement, and trail etiquette.

"People don't think of regional trails this way, but the truth is they're a lot like our road system in that you have a great variety of users all counting on each other for their safety," says Tom McDowell, Associate Superintendent at Three Rivers Park District. "It's really basic stuff like defensive driving for bikers and walkers being aware of others using the trail and not walking 2 or 3 abreast. It's sharing the trail, staying to the right, being courteous, wearing a helmet and stopping at stop signs. Part of our challenge is that many trail users just want to tune out the world and relax and enjoy a walk or a ride in nature. We want people to be able to do that, just not at the expense of others safety or experience on the trail." McDowell adds that young trail riders should be given some extra room, and dogs must always be on a 6 foot leash and not block the trail.

According to Metro Council statistics, Three Rivers Parks had more than eight million visitors last year. Roughly a third of those park visits were on regional trails. Three Rivers Parks manages and maintains nearly 100 miles of regional trails across suburban Hennepin County and linking into the Minneapolis trail system. One of the most popular trails is the Dakota Rail trail which traverses Mound and numerous other Lake Minnetonka communities. (Thanks to David Verhasselt, Director of Communications, Three Rivers Park District)



Music in the Park

Mark your calendars! Concerts begin at 7 p.m.

Thursday, June 14

Shane Martin – Modern Country Rock

Thursday, June 21

Tangled Roots – Bluegrass

Thursday, June 28

Tristana Ward – Family & Children

Thursday, July 12

Honeywagon – 70's 80's & 90's

Thursday, July 19

Tuxedo Band – Rock 'n Roll
Kickoff to Spirit of the Lakes – Kiddie Parade at 7 p.m., registration begins at 6:30 p.m. Boots & Badges event prior to Kiddie Parade

Thursday, July 26

Javier Trejo – Mexican Americana

Join your friends and neighbors at Mound Bay Park this summer to enjoy musical entertainment in the 19th annual "Music in the Park" series. Bring a picnic and listen to the music from the park grounds or from your boat. All events are free and open to the public. Concerts are held on Thursdays starting at 7 p.m. In the event of rain, concerts will be cancelled and rescheduled. Call 952-491-8055 for weather related information.

Funding for this program is made possible from community business and organization donations. If you are interested in helping support this program, please contact Sarah Heyer at Westonka Community Education at 952-491-8045.



Get rid of your medicines in drop boxes

www.hennepin.us/medicine



Accepted

Medicine from households will be accepted, including:

- ✓ Prescription medicines, including controlled substances
- ✓ Over-the-counter medicines
- ✓ Vitamins and supplements
- ✓ Pet medicines

Not accepted

- ✗ No needles, sharps or syringes
- ✗ No liquids
- ✗ No medicines from businesses



Guidelines

- Bring medicines in their original containers
- No ID required
- Free

OUR LOCAL DROP BOX LOCATION



Hennepin County Sheriff's Water Patrol
4141 Shoreline Drive
Spring Park, MN 55384

Hours: Monday through Friday
8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

PROPER DISPOSAL IS IMPORTANT

- Prescription drug abuse is a growing problem, especially among teens.
- Medicines flushed down the drain or disposed of in the trash can contaminate water, harm wildlife, and pollute drinking water.

For more information, visit www.hennepin.us/medicine or call 612-348-3777.



Mound Welcomes the Newest Public Works Employee!!

Born in Rapid City, SD, Ben Bun moved to Minnesota at the ripe old age of 3. He began his working career as a weekend paperboy. In the following years he worked in a greenhouse, in auto repair, as a mason tender and later as equipment maintenance manager. Currently, Ben lives near Cokato with his wife and eight children. He is the newest employee of the Public Works Department specializing in equipment maintenance. Being part of this community brings him great satisfaction and he looks forward to many years as an employee of the City of Mound.

Free Shuttle Bus for Centennial Celebration!

The biggest weekend of Mound's 10-day Centennial Celebration, July 20-21, will likely bring thousands of people to join all the fun planned at Surfside Park (Mound Bay Park). With those people will come hundreds of cars, all competing for limited parking.

The Spirit of the Lakes Festival, the official Centennial Celebration, is once again offering free shuttle service provided by Westonka Transportation, for those two days, Friday, July 20 and Saturday, July 21. The shuttles will run continuously from free off-site parking located at the Mound Transit Center, Shirley Hills Primary School and other area parking lots, to Surfside Park and back again every 10-15 minutes.

The Festival/Centennial Celebration Committee urges everyone planning to attend the events July 20 and 21 to save their tempers, their legs and the goodwill of their neighbors who live near Surfside by parking at one of the designated free parking lots and riding the free shuttle.



Get Rid of Your Household Hazardous Wastes

Hennepin County organizes collection events throughout the year to give residents more convenient, local disposal options for household hazardous wastes. Examples include:

Acceptable Items

- * Auto and fuel wastes
- * Batteries, phones
- * Electronics
- * Aerosols, cleaners, paint
- * Lawn & garden products
- * Mercury items
- * CFLs and fluorescents
- * Poisons & pesticides

Unacceptable Items

- * Appliances
- * Asbestos
- * Explosives
- * Medical wastes
- * Motor oil & filters
- * Photocopiers
- * Tires
- * Yard waste

Upcoming Community Collection Events

Six Community Collection Events are scheduled for 2012. Events run Thursday through Saturday, and sites will be open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day of the event. Visit www.hennepin.us/collectionevents for details.

May 3 – 5
City of Independence
City Hall parking lot
1920 County Road 90
Independence, MN 55359

June 7-9
City of St. Louis Park
Hwy 7 & Louisiana Ave S.
7250 State Highway 7
St. Louis Park, MN 55426

August 9-11
City of Minneapolis
Pillsbury School parking lot
2231 Garfield St. NE
Minneapolis, MN 55418

May 17-19
City of Minnetonka
Public Works Department
11522 Minnetonka Blvd.
Minnetonka, MN 55305

July 26-28
City of Minneapolis
Dunwoody College of Technology
818 Dunwoody Blvd.
Minneapolis, MN 55403

September 13-15
City of Shorewood
Public Works Department
24200 Smithtown Rd.
Shorewood, MN 55331

City Hall Seasonal Hours

(April 30 through November 2)

Monday through Thursday 7:30 am to 5:00 pm

Friday 7:30 am to 11:30 am

(Water bills can be dropped off 24/7 in the payment box located in City Hall parking lot near the flag!)

Dates To Remember

- May 2 HC Assessor's Open Book meeting 5-7 pm
- May 12 Recycling Day at Minnetrista 8 am - 3 pm
- May 12 Opening Fishing
- May 13 Mother's Day
- May 28 Memorial Day Holiday - City Hall closed
- June 14 Flag Day
- June 14 Music in the Park—Shane Martin 7 pm
- June 17 Father's Day
- June 21 Music in the Park—Tangled Roots 7 pm
- June 28 Music in the Park—Tristana Ward 7 pm
- July 4 Independence Day
- July 12 Music in the Park—Honeywagon 7 pm
- July 13 – 22 Spirit of Lakes and Mound Centennial Celebration**
- July 26 Music in the Park—Javier Trejo 7 pm

Mound Meeting Calendar

- City Council meets the second and fourth Tuesday of each month beginning at 7:00 p.m.
- HRA meets the second and fourth Tuesday of each month beginning at 6:30 p.m.
- Planning Commission meets the first Tuesday of each month beginning at 7:00 p.m.
- Parks and Open Space Commission meets the second Thursday of the month beginning at 7:00 p.m. on an as-needed basis
- Docks and Commons Commission meets the third Thursday of the month beginning at 7:00 p.m. on an as-needed basis.



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