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**City Hall Hours:**  
**September 6th to May 30th**  
Monday to Friday 8am to 4:30pm  
Closed Saturday, Sunday and  
Holidays.

**"Summer" Hours**  
**May 31st to September 5th**  
Mon to Thurs 8am to 5pm  
Fridays 8am to 12noon  
Closed Saturday, Sunday and  
Holidays.



## **4th of July Celebration at the Cottagewood General Store!**

Mark your calendars for this annual celebration!

Food, games, fun and of course, the annual children's bike parade! All events are held at the Cottagewood Children's Park in front of the Historic Cottagewood General Store.

The fun begins at 9:30 a.m. Line up for the parade and listen to live music! Parade at 10:00 a.m. Enjoy food and the kiddie carnival after the parade! Game bracelets, food and raffle tickets can be purchased ahead of time at the Cottagewood Store or on site during the event.

There will also be a big raffle to benefit the Store's foundation. As always, we need donations for the raffle prizes – items like gift baskets, gift certificates, boat rides, sports entertainment, etc. All proceeds from the celebration go to support the foundation and the store to keep great events like this happening in our community.

Please call 952-470-8400 for more information.



## **City Beaches Open for Season**

Lifeguards will be available at three of the six beaches in Deephaven beginning Saturday, June 11<sup>th</sup> through August 14<sup>th</sup> for the summer season.

Here is a list of beaches with brief information about each one:

- ◆ Deephaven Beach – Lifeguards on-duty from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., off street parking available.
- ◆ Robinson's Bay Beach – Lifeguards on-duty from Noon to 5:00 p.m., off street parking available.
- ◆ Sandy Beach – Lifeguards on-duty from Noon to 5:00 p.m., on street parking only.
- ◆ Rocky Beach – No lifeguards on-duty, limited off street parking available.
- ◆ Nocomo Beach – No lifeguard's on-duty, off street parking available.
- ◆ Linwood Beach - No lifeguard's on-duty, no off street parking available.



Minnetonka Community Education will be conducting swimming lessons at Deephaven Beach. Please call Minnetonka Community Education at 952-401-6800 to register.

## Please Use Fireworks Safely!



The Excelsior Fire District Firefighters want you and your family to be safe on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July and anytime you choose to use fireworks. It is important for all citizens to understand the new fireworks laws and be well informed on safety precautions when using legal fireworks. Sales, possession and use of SOME non-explosive and non-aerial consumer fireworks are now permitted in Minnesota. These fireworks MAY NOT be used on public property such as city owned docks, beaches, parks, trails, bridges, parking lots, schools, etc.

Examples of legal fireworks include sparklers, cones, and tubes that emit sparks, novelty items like snakes and party poppers. You must be 18 with photo identification to purchase fireworks.

The Fire District suggests the following safety guidelines:

- ◆ Use fireworks with close adult supervision.
- ◆ Read and understand the directions.
- ◆ Keep fireworks away from children (sparklers alone burn at nearly 1200 degrees F)
- ◆ Never place any part of your body over a firework devise.
- ◆ Never aim or throw fireworks at a person, animal, building or vehicle.
- ◆ Stay away from a failed firework devise for an extended period of time. Never re-light a failed devise and always soak it with water before handling.
- ◆ When using fireworks use common sense, courtesy, and respect for those around you.



If you have any questions or need additional information, a complete list of legal fireworks, storage and transportation of fireworks, and safety guidelines can be obtained by calling the MN State Fire Marshal's Office at 651-215-0500 or by emailing

[firecode@state.mn.us](mailto:firecode@state.mn.us)

## Tour de Tonka Bike Ride – Saturday, August 6

Mark your calendar for the 6th Annual Tour de Tonka bike ride, a community building event coordinated by Minnetonka Community Education. This ride, not a race, will be held Saturday, August 6, 2011. Five different route options are available: 17, 23, 42, 70 or 100 - we have a ride distance for everyone.

The event begins at Minnetonka High School at 7:30 am. Same day registration begins at 5:45 am. Registration fee includes a T-shirt and lots of entertainment and many wonderful rest stops full of great treats. In addition to the registration fee, a separate donation may be made to the ICA Food Shelf, giving riders an opportunity to positively impact our community with their exercise.

Also, on Monday August 1, the third annual Tour de Tonka - Two Mile Smile will take place. This ride is open to all 3 through 7 year olds and begins @ 6:30 pm with same day registration beginning at 5:30 pm on Monday, August 1. The ride starts and ends at the Minnetonka Community Education Center.



For more information on any Tour de Tonka event, visit [www.tourdetonka.org](http://www.tourdetonka.org), or call Ellen at 952-401-6842.

Volunteers are also needed for this major event. Call Debbie at 401-6800 if you or your group would like to get involved. See you on August 6th!

## **Excelsior Firefighters Relief Association Dance – Friday, July 15, 2011**

The Excelsior Firefighter's Relief Association Annual Dance will be held on Friday, July 15<sup>th</sup> at the West Side Fire Station at 24100 Smithtown Road in Shorewood from 5:00 p.m. to Midnight. Hi-Hats Polka Band 5:00pm to 7:00pm and the band High and Mighty will be performing from 8:00pm to midnight. No Cover Charge! Free Admission!

Kids activities: face painters, moonwalk, the giant slide and some surprises. Beer, bacardi breezers, brats, Grill Happy seasoned pork chops on a stick and Dancing, Dancing, Dancing! For more information call 952-960-1698 Come join us for food, fun, friends and family!

### **National Night Out – Tuesday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Join your neighbors, the Deephaven City Council and Deephaven Police Department in giving crime a going away party. Please commit to hosting a block party to celebrate the efforts of residents and the police in keeping Deephaven a safe community. To register your party and ensure a visit by a police officer, the Police Chief or members of the City Council, please call 952-474-7555.

### **Delinquent Utility Bill Notice**

Please be aware that all unpaid balances on your utility bill for sewer / storm water, water (if applicable) and garbage / recycling must be paid in full to the City of Deephaven on or before **September 23, 2011**.

If the past due amount is not paid by this date, the Deephaven City Code **requires the past due amount to be levied against your property for payment in 2012 on your property tax statements**.

### **Giggle, Play, Connect !**

Looking for an effortless, relaxing way to enjoy the summer and foster friendships?

Join the free Saturday Groveland Gatherings offered at the Groveland Elementary School playground: June 25<sup>th</sup>, July 23<sup>rd</sup> and August 27<sup>th</sup> from 10:00—12:00.

The community playground gatherings give kids of all abilities the chance to play and have fun with each other.

For more information or to sign up, contact Mary Hauff at 612-423-2795 or MNkidsplay@gmail.com . Please RSVP the Wednesday prior to the events to help plan accordingly for snacks. Come on, let's play!



### **Emergency Gas Leak**

CenterPoint Energy cautions that if the public smells, hears or sees a natural gas leak:

- ◆ Leave the area immediately on foot and tell others to do the same. Do not use electric switches, telephones, cell phones, drive or start a vehicle, or do anything that would cause a spark.
- ◆ Once safely away from the area, call the CenterPoint Energy emergency gas leak hotline at 1-800-296-9815 and dial 911 to report the location and description of the leak; and CenterPoint Energy will send a trained service technician immediately.
- ◆ Never try to repair a gas leak yourself. Leave all repairs to a trained technician.

### **Help Eradicate Garlic Mustard!**

Garlic Mustard (*Alliaria Petiolata*) is a highly invasive exotic plant. This biennial herbaceous plant, also known as Jack-by-the-Hedge, invades shaded areas and has a tendency to crowd out other herbaceous species. The Garlic Mustard plant has small black seeds, which can be dispersed 6 or more feet and number anywhere from 100 to 1,000. Seed dispersal usually occurs in late spring or early summer and may be human or animal assisted. The seeds may be viable for five to six years, though they usually germinate the second year.

Residents can dispose of Garlic Mustard in the Yard Waste Compost bin. If you are not signed up with Waste Management for this service, you can place it in a **plastic yard bag and mark the bag "Garlic Mustard" and call Waste Management at (952) 890-1100 for a special curbside pickup**. There will be a special charge for this service.

**Dogs at Beaches**

Please remember that dogs are not permitted at any beach in Deephaven with the exception of Deephaven Main Beach, where dogs are permitted ONLY on the pathway under the control of its owner. While we realize that it might be a special treat for your dog to romp in the water, it's not so much fun for someone walking or playing in the sand or grass area of the beach to find the "treat" your pet left behind. Please be a responsible pet owner.

**Pedestrian Safety**

Warmer weather means more construction vehicles and many more people are out and about walking and riding bicycles both along the City streets and on the LRT Trail.

Please be alert, drive slowly and with caution. Minnesota law requires that drivers of motor vehicles must yield the right-of-way to pedestrians and others who are crossing a street in a marked crosswalk.

**2011 City Budget Schedule for Review by City Council**

**Monday, June 20<sup>th</sup>** - 2012 Budget Overview, 2012 Salaries, General Fund Revenues, General Fund Expenditures, Capital Improvement Fund, General Government, Elections, Administration, City Hall, Police, Fire, Public Works, Streets & Roads, Planning & Zoning, Parks & Recreation, Wildlife Management

**Monday, July 18<sup>th</sup>** - Budget Review & Revisions

**Monday, August 15<sup>th</sup>** - Budget Review & Revisions

**Thursday, September 7<sup>th</sup>** - Final Budget Review, Adoption of Preliminary Tax Levy

**Monday, October 17<sup>th</sup>** - Park Improvement Fund, Marina Fund, Recycling Fund

**Monday, November 21<sup>st</sup>** - Water Fund, Sewer Fund, Storm Water Fund

**Monday, December 5<sup>th</sup>** - Truth in Taxation Hearing, Adopt Final Tax Levy, Adopt 2012 Budget

**Mediacom Franchise Renewal Negotiations**

The Lake Minnetonka Communications Commission is starting negotiations for the Franchise Renewal with Mediacom, our cable television service provider. Your comments regarding Mediacom's service are an important part of the process and would be most appreciated. Please email your comments to:

[franchise@lmcc-tv.org](mailto:franchise@lmcc-tv.org), or call 952-279-2404, or mail your comments to Franchise Renewal, Lake Minnetonka Communications Commission, PO Box 385, Spring Park, MN 55384-0385. Thank you!

**Street Repairs for 2011**

The City intends to mill & overlay the following city streets for 2011.

- ◆ Ridgewood Road (City Limits to Vine Hill Road)
- ◆ Lake Avenue (Talton Place to Hamilton Avenue)
- ◆ Monaltrie Avenue (Park Avenue to Lake Avenue)

**Recycle Electronics**

Recycle your old electronics for free! Most electronics contain toxic metals such as lead, mercury and cadmium. If any of these contaminants get into our rivers, streams or lakes, they can harm our health and environment. Hennepin County takes electronics free of charge, year-round, from residents at drop-off facilities in Brooklyn Park and Bloomington. The facilities are located at:

- ◆ Hennepin County Recycling Center and Transfer Station, 8100 Jefferson Highway, Brooklyn Park and
- ◆ South Hennepin Recycling and Problem Waste Drop-Off Center, 1400 West 96th Street, Bloomington.

The facilities are open Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays—(10am to 6pm), Wednesdays (10am to 8pm) and Saturdays (8am to 5pm). Items accepted are from households only, electronics from businesses are not accepted at the facilities. Some quantity limits apply.

For more information call 612-348-3777 or visit [www.hennepin.us](http://www.hennepin.us) and search the "A to Z How to Get Rid of It" guide.

## ***Recreational Fires***

Due to a number of complaints regarding the frequency, intensity and duration of recreational fires, the City Council adopted an ordinance that only permits recreational fires under the following conditions:

- ◆ A recreational fire shall have a total area of three (3) feet or less in diameter and three (3) or less in height.
- ◆ Recreational fires shall be contained within a fire ring, pit, container or device designed for such use.
- ◆ The area within a five (5) foot radius of the recreational fire shall be reasonably clear of all combustibles.
- ◆ Recreational fires shall not be conducted within twenty-five (25) feet of a neighboring dwelling or garage.
- ◆ The fire shall be under the immediate supervision of the resident or his/her authorized adult representative.
- ◆ Buckets, shovels, garden hose or a fire extinguisher shall be readily available for use at recreational fires.
- ◆ The prevailing wind at the time of the fire shall be away from nearby residences and must be less than 15 mph.
- ◆ No flammable or combustible liquids shall be used to kindle or rekindle a recreational fire.
- ◆ Demolition debris, industrial solid waste, hazardous materials, oil, rubber, plastic, railroad ties, shingles, tarpaper, insulation, composition boards, sheetrock, wiring, painted materials or paint filters, garbage, chemically treated wood or other materials that would give off a toxic smoke irritant to nearby residents are prohibited material. Only clean material can be burned as part of a recreational fire.
- ◆ The hours that recreational fires shall be extinguished are between 12:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m.
- ◆ Fires must be fully extinguished when unattended.
- ◆ Recreational fires can be cancelled or terminated at the discretion of the Police Department if a complaint has been received from a nearby resident concerning the smoke, irritants or a medical condition that is aggravated by the residential fire.

If you have any questions regarding any of these provisions, please call the Deephaven Police Department at (952) 474-7555.

## ***Are you considering seal coating your parking lot or driveway this summer?***

Runoff from driveways and parking lots can contain concentrations of polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs). PAHs can pose health risks to humans, be toxic to aquatic life, and degrade aquatic communities. In addition to the environmental risk they pose, it can be much more costly for cities to dispose of the material dredged from stormwater ponds.

If you are considering seal coating your driveway or parking lot, consider using an asphalt-based sealcoat. The other variety of sealcoat is a coal-tar based sealcoat. A collaborative study completed by the City of Austin, Texas and the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) have identified that PAH concentrations can be ten times that of an uncoated parking lot for asphalt-based sealcoats and up to 65 times for coal-tar based sealcoats.

In fact, coal-tar based seal coating products have been removed from the shelves of two home improvement retailers, Lowe's and Home Depot. Recently, Minnesota legislation has banned the purchase of coal-tar based sealcoat products by state agencies as of July 1, 2010.

Remember, if you are seal coating your parking lot or driveway this summer, look for an asphalt-based sealcoat. It will help minimize the impact to the environment and reduce costs for cities to dispose of dredged stormwater.



## ***Building Permits***

Please remember that building permits are needed for all structural alterations. If you are planning to repair a roof, deck or install siding at your home, permits are required before starting your project. Permit fees double for those individuals who are found to be working without the appropriate permit. Also, please make sure that all permits have the required inspections. Please be sure to call Gopher One for the required utility locates before you begin digging.

**"Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Happiness" ...**

When the founding fathers penned that phrase, they had no idea some of us would be lucky enough to be pursuing that dream in Deephaven, did they?

I would like to add my personal thoughts about Public Works Supervisor Jerry Hudlow and his 31+ years of service to Deephaven. That's a lot of snow-plowing, grass mowing and problem solving, my friend. You have certainly earned your retirement...and I thank you for your work!

This issue of our Newsletter reminds me of my years spent growing up as we planned our family vacations. There was so much to do, I didn't know where to start...or if we would be able to fit it all in! Nice work! It also has my mom's advice, "have fun and celebrate summer, but play safely and be respectful of others."

A few things have changed since those innocent years. My folks would take us to the drive-in theater so we could watch the fireworks...now I can just walk down to Deephaven Beach and celebrate with the neighbors. I also remember Fourth of July parades and all of the people saluting as the Flag passed by. Some folks would smile and cheer while others would quietly shed a tear...now I know why. I remember my debate team arguing the negative side of the issue "Should there be a government-created program called Medicare?"....now I am on it!

The City will be fixing Ridgewood Road and probably the tennis courts in Thorpe Park this summer. As for me, I hear my dad's mantra, "As soon as we get these chores done, we can go to the golf course!"

Have a great summer, my friends!

Paul

***We Bid a Fond Farewell to Public Works Supervisor Jerry Hudlow***

We send our very best wishes to Jerry Hudlow who retired from the City of Deephaven on May 31st. Jerry served the City of Deephaven since November 8, 1979, first as a public works employee and later as our Public Works Supervisor. His experience and knowledge of our City will be greatly missed. We wish Jerry a long and enjoyable retirement!

***City Hall Hours, "Summer Hours" May 31st to Sept 5th***

Monday to Thursday 8 to 5:00 / Friday 8 to Noon / Closed Saturday, Sunday and Holidays.

***City Hall Hours, Sept 6th to May 30th***

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***Your City Staff:***

Dana Young, City Administrator  
Mary Courtney, Deputy Clerk  
Deborah Hicks, Utility Billing, Marina Operations  
Cory Johnson, Police Chief  
Pat Thiede, Police Admin Assistant  
Gus Karpas, Zoning Coordinator  
Teresa Pendleton, Building Permits  
Jerry Hudlow, Public Works Supervisor  
Shelley Souers, Woodland Deputy Clerk

***City Office will be closed :***

Friday, April 22nd and Monday, May 30th



***Your City Council:***

***Mayor :*** Paul Skrede

***Council members:***

Keith Kask, John Wheaton  
Darel Gustafson, Josh Hackney

***Phone Numbers:***

Administration & Public Works:

952-474-4755

Police Non-Emergency: 952-474-7555

24-Hour Police Dispatch: 763-525-6210

***City of Deephaven Website:***

[www.cityofdeephaven.org](http://www.cityofdeephaven.org)

The Deephaven City Council normally meets twice a month on the first and third Mondays at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers. The Planning Commission meets at 7:00 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month. The Park Committee meets at 7:00 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month. The Boat Committee meets at 7:00 p.m. on the second Wednesday of each month.

Residents are welcome to attend any or all of these meetings. Council meetings are also televised on Cable Channel 8. Channel 8 televised dates and times for City of Deephaven meetings, as well as meeting minutes, are all available on our City website [www.cityofdeephaven.org](http://www.cityofdeephaven.org)