



EAST BETHEL BULLETIN

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*Geocaching—
New at East
Bethel Parks!!!!
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more
information.*

The City of East Bethel is seeking your opinions and thoughts for your vision of the City. This is your opportunity to share your views on the direction that East Bethel should take and be for and in the future. Please send your comments, views and ideas to City Hall. After a review of your submittals the City will schedule open house meetings to discuss these ideas and formulate them into planning recommendations that will shape the growth and provide direction for the City of East Bethel.

Send your ideas to: Jack Davis, City Administrator, City of East Bethel,
2241 221st Avenue NE, East Bethel, MN 55011 or
via e-mail to jack.davis@ci.east-bethel.mn.us

East Bethel Family Fun Night & Booster Day

The 2012 East Bethel Family Fun Night & Booster Day is scheduled for
Friday, July 20th and Saturday, July 21st.

Friday will kick off with a Free Baseball Clinic (see page 4) and end with the Movie in the Park ~ Hugo!

Saturday will kick off with the Pancake Breakfast at the East Bethel Senior/Community Center and end with the 51st Annual Firefighters Dance!

Don't miss the Fireworks at Booster Park West at Dusk.
For more information see page 5.



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City Administrator Update

by Jack Davis, City Administrator

As part of the litigation between the City and Great River Energy (GRE) regarding the selection of a route for a 69 KV electrical transmission line through East Bethel, the City and GRE have participated in a court sponsored mediation in an attempt to settle this suit. Mediation sessions on December 6, 2011 and February 6, 2012 have been completed and several options were presented to GRE as alternatives for and to "Route A".

As you recall, the City denied GRE's application for a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) for "Route A" on June 22, 2011 and as a result, GRE sued the City over the denial of this route. The City granted GRE a CUP for an alternate route to "Route A" on October 19, 2011, known as Route I-1. GRE did not accept the alternative route.

The City's geographic location, in regards to the connection between the two substations, dictates that any feasible 69 KV electrical transmission route would more than likely go through East Bethel. The question then becomes not if the GRE line will go through East Bethel, rather it is where it will go through the City.

As a result of the February 6, 2012 mediation session, GRE proposed that the City present them with a "complete route", one that East Bethel, Athens and Linwood would approve, to connect the Martin Lake and Athens substations. The "complete route" agreed to by GRE as part of the mediation was, ironically, the original

route presented to the East Bethel City Council by GRE in December 2008.

As part of the "complete route" agreement, the City was given 30 days to produce assurances from the Townships that this could be accomplished. Staff conducted numerous meetings with Athens and Linwood Townships and both were agreeable to considering the "complete route" (Route E-1) alternative. Athens participation was conditioned on assistance for road work on 245th Avenue, a shared street by both the City and Township, park project assistance from GRE and some type of agreement that the City of East Bethel would not initiate a forced annexation on the Township. GRE accepted these commitments and the City and Townships moved forward with the approval process.

Staff conducted a final meeting with GRE on April 18, 2012 and outlined a time schedule for the approval process for the three jurisdictions. GRE submitted its application to amend Route I-1, as approved by City Council on October 19, 2011, within the City to correspond to the "complete route" (E-1) on April 27, 2012. As the City can only control the portion of the route within its corporate limits, GRE's application only relates to the route within East Bethel. This route would enter the City from Athens Township on the north and proceed south on Durant Street to Fawn Lake Drive. The route would then proceed east along Fawn Lake Drive to Sunset Road and then south

along Sunset Road to 229th Avenue. From this point the route enters Linwood Township.

The City of East Bethel has conducted a public hearing and received approvals from both the Planning Commission and City Council for the amended route. Athens has conducted a public comment meeting and received approval from its Planning Commission. The Athens Town Board approved the route change on June 4, 2012 and as Linwood has no ordinances that address the locating of utilities, the route approval is complete.

The East Bethel City Council approved a Settlement Agreement for the new route on June 6, 2012. With GRE's acceptance of the agreement the lawsuit against the City will be dismissed. The dismissal of the suit will result in the elimination of potential significant financial repercussions that East Bethel rate payers may have been subject to if the court case continued and underground conditions were a part of the Route A approval.

City Council, the City GRE Work Group, Planning Commission and staff have worked on a solution to this problem for the past 3 years. The City realizes and understands the sensitivity and effect of this issue and has had as its primary goal from the beginning of this process in 2008, the selection of a route which would minimize the impact on the number of residents affected by location of the line. Council's selection of the Durant-Fawn Lake-Sunset Route

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achieves this goal.

Marketing and Branding Plan

Ady Voltedge completed and presented the Marketing and Branding Plan for the City of East Bethel on April 2, 2012. The plan was submitted to the EDA for their review and comment and was discussed by City Council to determine priorities of the recommendations.

The priorities were grouped into five goals and action activities:

- Review City Codes, Ordinances and Plans to determine their value and relevance to economic development goals
- Prepare a TH 65 Corridor Plan
- Prepare marketing information for the City and available properties with in East Bethel
- Develop a collaborative effort with the local school districts and community and technical colleges to facilitate training programs and enhance cooperation between the City and these entities
- Continue, renew and initiate participation with development organizations, the County, Chambers of Commerce, government agencies and other groups that offer development assistance, pro-

grams and/or grants

- Consider developing a new City Logo
- Continue efforts to improve City communications and Website development

City staff is currently in the process of implementing these directives in our economic development efforts and programs.

Municipal Utilities Project

The Municipal Utilities Project is approximately 80% complete and the only remaining portion to be finished is the section along Viking Boulevard. Due to unstable soil conditions, the utility installation will be suspended until frost conditions permit equipment operations that do not disturb the trench bottoms and subsoil's of the excavated areas. This suspension of work will not delay the project as the final completion of the pipe work is scheduled for April 2013. Completion of the MCES wastewater treatment plant is scheduled for September 2013

A temporary 12" waterline connection will be made between the east and west end of the Viking Boulevard section prior to the cessation of work for the summer. The water treatment plant will be completed

by October 2012 and the water system will be fully operational by no later than December 1, 2012. Sewer service for most parts of the project would also be available on this date with the Met Council performing pump and haul operations until their waste water treatment plant is completed in August of 2013.

Met Council is preparing to bid the force main (pressurized sewer line) portion of the project north along Hwy. 65 to the rapid infiltration basin at 229th Avenue within the next 6-8 weeks. The City will install an additional force main as part of this project to replace service to and permit the decommissioning of the city owned Castle Towers waste water treatment plant. There will be no individual connections that can be made on the force main. Connections to the force main can only be made to this line by the installation of and connection to a lift station. The decommissioning of the Castle Towers plant will enable the City to save approximately \$2 million dollars in operating costs of this facility over the next 20 years and permit additional opportunities for the provision of sewer service along Hwy. 65 between Viking Boulevard and 241st Avenue.

Community/Senior Center Events
2241 221st Avenue NE

Senior Dances
1:00 pm—4:00 pm
1st Friday of the Month
(\$5.00 admission)

Senior Meetings
10:30 am
Third Thursday of the Month

Interested in joining the East Bethel Senior Group??? No forms to fill out. Just call **President Barb Kunshier at 763-434-6179 for details.** Annual dues are just **\$7.00 per person.**

Pancake Breakfast
8:30 am - Noon
2nd Sunday of the Month
(Cost is \$5 for adults - \$2 for children under 10)

For rental information Contact Barb Kunshier at 763-434-6179

East Bethel Booster Days

Friday night and Saturday!

July 20th and 21st, 2012

East Bethel Community Center

2241 221st Avenue, East Bethel, Mn

1 mile east of Hwy 65 on the corner of 221st Ave. and Palisade St.

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Booster West Baseball Complex

Minnesota Twins Community Fund Play Ball Mn!

FREE baseball clinic.....2:00-5:00 pm
 6-9 year olds.....2:00-3:30 pm
 10-16 year olds.....3:30-5:00 pm
 In case of inclement weather, will be held at Cedar Creek Community School.

Community Center

Medallion Hunt for 4-10 year olds.....6:00pm
 Kiddie parade registration.....6:30pm
Parade.....7:30pm
 East Bethel Fire Department Explorers Waterball.....7:00pm
 Concessions by Boy Scout Troop #733 and EB Seniors.....8:00pm
 Free movie in the Park, **HUGO**, courtesy of CHOPS, Inc.....Dusk
 In case of inclement weather, will be held at East Bethel Ice Arena



We'd like to thank our sponsors whose donations make this event happen!

Bronze members

*Ace Solid Waste
 Bethel Properties
 Booster Day 5K
 Central Trailer Sales
 EJ's Bar and Bottle Shoppe
 George's Repair Service
 Hidden Haven Golf Club
 Our Saviour's Lutheran Church
 Permanent Cosmetics*

Silver members

Eckberg, Lammers, Briggs, Wolf, Vierling

Gold members

*Blaine Youth Hockey Association
 CHOPS, Inc.
 City of East Bethel
 Classic Construction
 Hakanson Anderson Associates*



And a **BIG** thank you to all our volunteers and committee members who work hard to create this special day!

Boy Scout Troop #733
 Cedar/East Bethel Lions
 City of East Bethel
 Cub Scout Pack #387
 East Bethel Firefighters
 East Bethel Seniors
 East Bethel Booster Day Committee
 People's Bank of East Bethel

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Sr. Craft and Bake Sale
 Quilt Raffle
 Silent Auction
 FOOD, FOOD, FOOD
 Inflatables
 Merchant's Row

Treasure Hunt for the young
 (courtesy of People's Bank)
 Car/Truck/Tractor Show
 Drawing for EBFD fire truck
 birthday party package
 (10 yrs and younger, for
 East Bethel children please)

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Community Center

Pancake Breakfast.....7-11am
 Flag Raising.....9:00 am
 5K Run and walk9:00 am
 1K Fun Run/Walk for the Kids.....10:15 am
 Sheriff's fingerprinting.....11:30 am
 Musikal Mayhem at the gazebo.....12:30-5 pm
 Connexus Energy Power Exhibit.....1:00 pm
 Bingo.....1-4 pm

East Bethel Ice Arena

East Bethel Royalty Pageant.....2:00 pm

Booster Park

Car/Truck/Tractor Show.....9-4 pm
The GRAND PARADE.....11:00 am
 The Kid Zone games.....12-4 pm
 Tractor Pull.....1:30 pm
51st annual Firefighters Dance.....8:30 pm-12:30 am

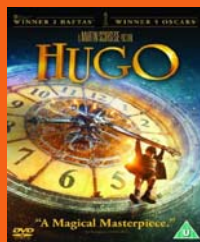
Live Music by *Jonah and the Whales*
 Food and Beverages

Fireworks.....Dusk
 (Courtesy of the Booster Day Committee & City of East Bethel)

Interested in our Friday night events
 Contact Wendy Warren
 763-367-7853

Interested in the Saturday parade?
 Contact Vicki Doebbert @
 VickiDoebbert@yahoo.com

Need general information regarding Booster Day or to
 make a donation?
 Contact Denise Lachinski
 763-413-2748



Classic Car, Truck, and Tractor show information
 Contact Harley 612-718-6905/ Denny 612-501-5652
 Latest show details www.gopherstatechevys.com

East Bethel Royalty Pageant, if interested in
 becoming a candidate or event information.
 Contact Ken Orr
 763-413-2515

City of East Bethel 4th Annual Family Fun Night

Booster Park on Friday, July 20, 2012

Proudly sponsored by CHOPS, Inc.



Schedule of Events

Minnesota Twins Community Fund Play Ball Mn!.....2:00-5:00 PM
Medallion Hunt for 4-10 year olds.....6:00 PM
Kiddie Parade Registration.....6:30 PM
East Bethel Fire Dept. Explorers Waterball.....7:00 PM
Parade.....7:30 PM
Concessions by Boy Scout Troop #733 and East Bethel Seniors.....8:00 PM
Free Movie in the Park.....Dusk

(sponsored by CHOPS, Inc.)



CHOPS, Inc. is an all-age music & performance organization based in Minneapolis, MN. CHOPS offers performance opportunities in Chops Drum & Bugle Corps, three parade units: Chopstix Percussion, Top Chops Brass Line & Hot Chops Color Guard; and Chops Winter Guard.

Free Outdoor Movie Feature at Dusk (approximately 9:00 PM) - Hugo - Rated PG

Sacha Baron Cohen, Ben Kingsley, Asa Butterfield
Paramount Pictures; Directed by Martin Scorsese
Rated PG; 127 minutes; 2011

An orphaned boy secretly lives in the walls of a busy Paris train station and looks after clocks. He gets caught up in a mystery adventure when he attempts to repair a mechanical man.



Register to win 4 free tickets to the Twins game for Sunday September 16 against the Chicago White Sox or Sunday, September 9th at 1:10 against the Cleveland Indians.

Tickets donated by Eckberg, Lammers, Briggs, Wolff & Vierling, PLLP and Hakanson, Anderson Assoc., Inc .



BOOSTER DAY KIDDIE PARADE

Friday, July 20, 2012

Entry Form



Parent(s)/Guardians(s) Name: _____

Address, City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

*email will be main form of communication

Please let us know, below, who will be attending, so we may have the correct # of volunteers to better serve you and your family.

Child's name/age: _____

Child's name/age: _____

Child's name/age: _____

Child's name/age: _____

Parade Category (Please check one):

3 years of age and under

4-6 years old

7-9 years old

9 - 12 years old

****All children under 5 must have a parent/guardian walking with them in the parade.**

Consent & Waiver:

I/we hereby consent to the participation of my/our above named child(ren) in the East Bethel Booster Day Kiddie Parade on July 17, 2009.

In lawful consideration of accepting my/our child(ren)'s participation in the Kiddie Parade, I/we agree to comply with the parade rules prescribed by the City of East Bethel 50th Anniversary Committee, a copy of which is attached, and I/we waive and release all claims I/we or my/our child(ren) may have against the City, its officers, employees, or agents on account of any negligent act or omission to act on the part of the City or any of its officers, employees, or agents during the course of or arising out of my/our child(ren)'s participation in the Kiddie Parade. In addition, I/we agree to indemnify and hold the City of East Bethel harmless from any legal action or loss as a result of injury to my/our child(ren) on account of any negligent act or omission to act occurring as a result of participation in the Kiddie Parade.

I /we do hereby permit the City of East Bethel to use any photographs taken by the City, of the participant(s) named herein, in City informational/promotional publications released to the general public.

By my/our signature(s) below, I/we acknowledge that I/we have read this Consent & Waiver form, and we bind our heirs and assigns to the provisions hereof.

Parent(s)/Guardians(s) Signature(s): _____

Please return this Entry Form by July 13th to:

City of East Bethel, Attn: Wendy
2241 221st Ave. NE, East Bethel, MN 55011
Questions? Call 763.367.7851 or email wendy.warren2@ci.east-bethel.us



The Kiddie Parade is made possible by the
sponsorship and support of the City of East Bethel
and the East Bethel Scholarship Program.



East Bethel Scholarship Program
763-434-5954

What's Happening at Public Works? June 2012

by Nate Ayshford, Public Works Manager

2012 Road Construction and Maintenance Projects

Each year the City performs seal coating and crack sealing to help prolong the useful lifespan of its streets. The following streets are scheduled for seal coating in 2012:

Hupp St and 239th Ave
234th Ave east of Durant St
Erskine, Kissel, 231st LN, and 233rd Ave
Naples St, Rendova St, 190th Ave, 190th LN
Sportsman Road, Channel LN, Thielen Blvd

Seal coating involves the placement of oil and rock on the road surface and allowing equipment and traffic to compact the material until the oil has set. After sufficient compaction has taken place, the excess rock is removed. This work should begin in mid June and cause only minor traffic delays for a period of less than 1 week.

In addition to the seal coating, crack sealing will take place on streets throughout the city as well as restriping 60,000 linear feet of road markings. Also, Sandy Drive will be getting a new fog seal from County Rd 74 to County Rd 26 similar to what was performed on Bataan St in 2011.

The proposed reconstruction of Jackson St from Viking Blvd south to 181st Ave is also being planned for the summer of 2012. The 1.5 mile project will include removing the existing curb and pavement and installing new curb and road surface. Work should begin in July and continue through late summer. Expect road closures to thru traffic during portions of the reconstruction. Local access will be available throughout the project. Funding for this project will come from the City's Municipal State Aid account that is provided to municipalities to

help cover the cost of constructing and maintaining MSA designated roads.

An asphalt overlay is being planned for the Coon Lake Beach Neighborhood and should begin in July and be completed by September. Funding for this project will come from the Street Capital Fund.

Resurfacing 2.5 miles of unpaved streets with Class 5 material will also take place this summer. Durant St, 241st Ave, 217th Ave, 218th Ave and Terrace Road will all receive new gravel applications.

Improvements to Highway 65

An 8 inch concrete overlay of Highway 65 from 217th Ave to 245th Ave will commence in June. Expect lane closures and traffic delays during the duration of the work. This project will be coordinated with the traffic signal project at 221st Ave and Highway 65. The estimated cost of this project is \$10,000,000.

Highway 65 and 221st Ave Signalization Project

This project will be conducted in two component phases. The first phase will be a MnDOT Better Roads Project and is expected to start in June and continue through early September. This part of the project will involve the lengthening of the left and right turn lanes for north and south bound traffic turning onto 221st Ave. A temporary traffic signal will be installed at this intersection during the construction period which will occur between July 5 and September 3, 2012.

The second phase of the project will begin in August with tree clearing and grubbing operations, as well as minor road work that will have minimal effect on traffic on 221st Ave.

At the conclusion of the MnDOT work on or about September 3, 2012, 221st Ave will be closed at

Highway 65. A detour will be implemented routing traffic to alternate access points to Highway 65, but access to all properties adjacent to the project will remain open to residents and emergency vehicles.

During this time, the intersection reconstruction will commence and is expected to last until the end of the construction season. Upon completion, the detour will be lifted and the signalized intersection will be functional. Minor operations such as erosion stabilization might carry over into the spring of 2013, however, the intersection is expected to be completely functional by November 2012.

Viking Blvd Concrete Overlay

The Anoka County Highway Department plans to place a 6 inch concrete overlay on Viking Blvd from Highway 65 east to Vickers St in East Bethel this summer. Work is scheduled to begin soon and be completed by late summer. The construction activities will require road closures and detours to thru traffic. Residents and businesses along the affected portions of Viking Blvd will have access throughout the construction activities. Updates and information are available through the Anoka County Highway Department website.

2012 Park Projects

Norseland Manor Park has received a new playground, improved safety surface under the playground equipment, an off-street parking area, and other site improvements. Booster Park East and West will be receiving updates and improvements to the athletic fields, a new bridge on the south side of Booster Pond, additional playground equipment, and other site improvements.

Adopt-a-Park Program

The City of East Bethel has created an Adopt-A-Park Program to allow its citizens the opportunity to en-

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sure every park, trail, and athletic field is clean, safe, and well-maintained. This program promotes community involvement and allows community groups, civic organizations, or individuals, the ability to aid in litter pick-up, identify safety hazards, and communicate other issues associated with their adopted park.

The groups or individuals who participate in the program will be formally recognized by the City Council and have a sign placed in their adopted park. The adopters are asked to schedule a minimum of two park visits per year to perform litter collection and help identify

any park deficiencies or safety hazards. The City of East Bethel will provide the materials needed for litter collection and disposal.

Interested parties should contact City Hall at 763-367-7840 for more information.

Oak Wilt

Oak wilt is a common fungus in East Bethel that kills hundreds of mature oak trees annually. New infection sites occur when oaks are damaged, cut, or pruned during the months of April, May, June and July. Once a new infection site is established the fungus can spread to neighboring trees through their root systems. It is important to remember not to cut or prune any oak

trees during these months and limit activities around these trees that could result in damage to the tree. Trees that are infected with oak wilt should be removed the following winter and chipped, burned, or sealed with plastic to limit the number of fungal spores available during the spring months. Infected wood should not be moved offsite.

If you have any issues or need to report a public works related problem please call Nate Ayshford at 763-367-7876. We depend on and encourage your assistance in reporting any safety or maintenance matters and will respond to any of your comments or concerns in a timely manner. Thanks for all your help.

The East Bethel Fire Department encourages you to use the following safety tips to prevent fires during or after a tornado or damaging storm.

Fire Related Hazards Present During and After a Tornado

- Leaking gas lines, damaged propane containers and leaking vehicle gas tanks may explode or ignite.
- Debris can easily ignite, especially if electrical wires are severed.
- Appliances and pools of water can be electrically charged.
- Generators that are not properly used and maintained can be very hazardous.
- Alternative heating devices used incorrectly create fire hazards.
- Appliances that emit smoke or sparks should be repaired or replaced.

Utility Safety

- Be careful when removing debris to keep from exposing electrical wires or gas pipes.
- Contact the utility company to disconnect the electrical or gas supply before making repairs involving those services.
- Call before you dig!! Make sure underground gas lines have been

located and marked before you start digging.

- Smell and listen for leaky gas connections. If you believe there is a gas leak, immediately leave the house and leave the door(s) open.
- Never strike a match. Any size flame can spark an explosion.
- Before turning the gas back on, have the gas system checked by a professional.

Electrical Safety

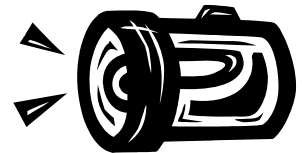
- Assume all wires on the ground are electrically charged.

This includes cable TV feeds.

- Look for and replace frayed or cracked extension and appliance cords, loose prongs, and plugs.
- Exposed outlets and wiring could present a fire or electrocution hazard.
- Appliances that emit smoke or sparks should be repaired or replaced.
- Have a licensed electrician check your home for damage.

...and Remember...

- Dress appropriately; storms can leave dangerous pieces of glass, nails, construction debris, and sharp objects that can cause injuries. Wear proper footwear, eye protection, and gloves.
- Be careful when using candles. Keep them away from combustible objects and out of the reach of children.
- Use flashlights instead of candles.
- Some smoke alarms are tied into your home's electrical service and don't work during a power outage. Check to see if your smoke alarm uses a back-up battery and install a new battery at least once a year.
- If there is a fire hydrant near your home, keep it clear of debris for easy access by the fire department.





EAST BETHEL PARKS GEOCACHING

Rules of Geocaching

- All of the 24 geocaches that are part of the EAST BETHEL PARKS GEOCACHING TRAIL are located on public property. Please stay off and respect private property.
- If you take something from the cache, leave something of equal or greater value.
- Don't place items such as food, explosives, knives, drugs or alcohol in a geocache.
- Geocache contents should be family friendly.
- Respect local laws and obey posted signs.
- Do not damage infrastructure, vegetation, or any other objects while searching for geocaches.
- Write about your find in the cache logbook.
- Log your experience at www.geocaching.com

Park Name	Geocache Code	Cache Letter
Booster East	GC3HA5F	
	GC2C6J6	
	GC3HA5J	
Booster West	GC2CCY1	
	GC3HA5A	
	GC395M4	
John Anderson	GC395M4	
Bonde	GCZVXD	
Hidden Creek	GC3KYW1	
Anderson Lake	GC27ZAN	
Whispering Oaks	GC2T1PH	
Eveleth	GC2T1Q1	
Rod & Norma Smith	GC21QDW	
Cedar Creek Ecosystem Science Reserve	GC27N2A	
	GC2958R	
	GC29596	
	GC2959J	
	GC2959W	
Norseland Manor	GCVVDY	
Eagle Ridge	GC3HCCT	
Maynard Peterson	GC3H19G	
Northern Boundaries	GC3HAYH	
Carlisle	GC3HAYV	
Deer Haven	GC3HAYY	

For more information go to www.ci.east-bethel.mn.us or come to East Bethel City Hall for a brochure.

Firefighters 51st Annual Dance

Your East Bethel Firefighters are going door to door to sell tickets to the 51st Annual Dance. This year the dance will be on July 21st Booster Park West 8:30 pm to 12:30 am. This year's band is Jonah and the Wales. Proceeds from the dance are used by the East Bethel Fire Relief Association for fire prevention, fire equipment and to further the Relief Association mission. Tickets are pre-sold at \$2.00 each or \$5.00 each at the gate. Food, music, fun and fireworks are all on the agenda. Bring the whole family!

Night to Unite by Sheriff James Stuart

It will be a NIGHT to Remember!
Tuesday, August 7 is Night to Unite!

Night to Unite happens the first Tuesday of August each year. The Anoka County Sheriff's Office encourages residents in East Bethel to lock their doors, turn on their outside lights, and spend the evening getting acquainted with each other during Night to Unite. Whether you are an organized Neighborhood Crime Watch (NCW) group, or just thinking about organizing, it is important to talk with your neighbors and find out what is going on.

The NCW program plays an integral part in crime detection and prevention, in partnership with the Sher-



iff's Office. National statistics indicate that when neighbors are committed to participating in NCW programs, the quality of life in their neighborhoods improved. "Opportunity" provides the impetus for crime to occur. If neighbors organize their efforts to be vigilant of each other and their property, it will likely result in the reduction of criminal incidents.

The Anoka County Sheriff's Office is committed to Crime Prevention programs and Night to Unite. If you would like to host a party, log on to www.anokacounty.us/crimewatch for details or contact Laura Landes at 763.767.4664 for more information. The registration deadline is July 27th, so log on today!

Fireworks Safety

By Mark DuCharme, Fire Chief

Americans love fireworks! They are dazzling and exciting, but they can also be dangerous if used improperly. Fireworks need to be handled with care!

Not all fireworks are legal in Minnesota. In Minnesota, examples of fireworks that are **permitted** include sparklers, cones and tubes that emit sparks, novelty items like snakes, and party poppers.

Explosive and aerial fireworks are **prohibited** for public sale, possession and use in the State of Minnesota. Prohibited fireworks include firecrackers, bottle rockets, missiles, roman candles, mortars and shells.

Remember; if it flies, goes boom or explodes, the firework is probably illegal! Don't use it.

Keep these tips in mind:
Never allow children to play with

or ignite fireworks.

Read and follow all warnings and instructions.

Be sure other people are out of range before lighting fireworks.

Only light fireworks on a smooth, flat surface away from the house, dry leaves and flammable materials.

Never try to relight fireworks that have not fully functioned.

Keep a bucket of water in case of a malfunction or fire.

Use fireworks with close adult supervision.

Choose a safe place to use fireworks that is far from anything that could be damaged from the normal or abnormal operation of

any device.

Fireworks should only be ignited outdoors and away from animals, buildings, storage tanks, brush or combustible materials.

Keep fireworks away from small children and store them in a cool dry location away from sources of ignition (heat and flames).

Fireworks should not be allowed to become wet and should not be used when dried after becoming wet.

Do not carry fireworks in your pocket or on your person.

Lit cigarettes, cigars, pipes or open flames should be kept away from fireworks that are for sale or when stored.



EAST BETHEL MEETING SCHEDULE

If you plan to attend any of these meetings, please call City Hall at 763-367-7840 to confirm times and locations, or consult the City's website at www.ci.east-bethel.mn.us.

City Council	July 5	7:30 pm	City Hall
Road Commission	July 10	6:30 pm	City Hall
Park Commission	July 11	7:00 pm	City Hall
City Council	July 18	7:30 pm	City Hall
Planning Commission	July 24	7:00 pm	City Hall
Economic Development Authority	July 25	6:30 pm	City Hall
City Council	August 1	7:30 pm	City Hall
Park Commission	August 8	7:00 pm	City Hall
Road Commission	August 13	6:30 pm	City Hall
City Council	August 15	7:30 pm	City Hall
Economic Development Authority	August 22	6:30 pm	City Hall
Planning Commission	August 28	7:00 pm	City Hall
City Council	September 5	7:30 pm	City Hall
Road Commission	September 11	6:30 pm	City Hall
Park Commission	September 12	7:00 pm	City Hall
City Council	September 19	7:30 pm	City Hall
Planning Commission	September 25	7:00 pm	City Hall
Economic Development Authority	September 26	6:30 pm	City Hall

Coon Lake Beach Community Center Activities

**182 Forest Road NE
www.coonlakebeach.org
651-982-4628**

Membership Meeting
2nd Monday of the Month
7:00 pm
July 9
August 13
September 10

Senior Lunch
4th Thursday of each month at noon
Everyone is Welcome!
July 26
August 23
September 27

Pancake Breakfast
1st & 3rd Sunday of the month
9:00 am—12:00 (Noon)
July 1 & 15
August 5 & 19
September 2 & 16

Coffee Time
1st & 3rd Thursdays of the month
10:00 am
July 5 & 19
August 2 & 16
September 6 & 20

Crafts - Every Tuesday at 9:00 am

Bingo is the 2nd Saturday of the month at 2:00 pm

**Narcotics Anonymous -
Tuesdays at 7:00 pm -
call Paul at 651-336-0381
for more info.**

**Volunteers are Needed!
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