



PARK PAGES

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Email: dave@nhachamber.com Website: <http://www.nhachamber.com>

Proudly Serving the North Hennepin Area!

City Services: 763.493.8166

- Vehicle title transfers
- License plate tab renewals
- Registration for out-of-state vehicles

- Fishing and hunting licenses
- Registration for snowmobiles, boats, ATVs
- Pet licenses

Hennepin County Services: 612.348.8240

- Driver's license renewals

State of Minnesota Services: 952.476.3042

- Driver's license testing

CITY SERVICES

City Hall Office Hours

Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Licensing Division Hours

Monday - Friday 9:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Saturdays 9 a.m. - Noon

Information Contacts

Emergency Assistance 911
City Hall 763.424.8000
Community Activity Center 763.493.8333
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Operations & Maintenance 763.493.8007

Fire Administration 763.493.8020
Police Administration 763.493.8222
Recycling 763.493.8006
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Yard Waste Site 763.420.4886

Official web site: www.brooklynpark.org

REGULAR MEETINGS

City Council: The first, third and fourth Mondays of each month, 7 p.m. Each meeting will begin with an Open Forum of up to 15 minutes.

Budget Advisory Commission: 4th Tuesday, 7 p.m.

Economic Development Authority:
2nd Monday of each month, 7 p.m.

Planning Commission: 2nd & 4th Wednesday, 7 p.m.

Charter Commission: 2nd Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.

Citizen Long-range Improvement Committee:
2nd & 4th Thursday, 7 p.m.

Human Relations Commission: 3rd Thursday, 7 p.m.

Recreation and Parks Advisory Commission:
3rd Wednesday, 7 p.m.

Brooklyn Park Firefighters Relief Association
Board of Trustees: 3rd Wednesday, 7 p.m.

ON AIR

Channel 16

7 p.m. - 1st thru 4th Monday: Council & EDA, Live

7 p.m. - 2nd Wednesday: Planning Commission, Live

6:30 p.m. - Thursday: Police in the Park

7 p.m. - 2nd Monday: Economic Development
Authority, Live

7 p.m. - 2nd thru 5th Thursday: City Council, Replay

2:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. - Friday: Police in the Park

3 a.m. & 11 a.m. - Friday: City Council, Replay

Channel 19

8:30 p.m. - Monday: Police in the Park

2:30 a.m., 8:30 a.m. & 2:30 p.m. - Tuesday: Police
in the Park

NEWSPAPER OF RECORD

Residents interested in receiving the Brooklyn Park Sun-Post or those who are having delivery problems should contact the paper's circulation department directly at 952.392.6860. Messages should include a delivery address and return phone number. Please note the paper cannot be delivered north of 101st Avenue and distribution is limited in apartments, town homes and condos.



National Night Out Luncheon August 1

The National Night Out Luncheon will be held at 11:30 a.m., Tuesday, August 1 in the Community Activity Center located at 5700 - 85th Avenue North.

Speaking at the NNO Luncheon will be our Brooklyn Park Public Safety officials, Police Chief Wade Setter and Fire Chief Steve Schmidt, as well as a special guest speaker to be announced in the coming weeks.

Advance registration is encouraged and will be accepted until 5 p.m., Thursday, July 27. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$10 for students and seniors (age 65+) in advance. Tickets purchased at the door will be \$15 for all ages.

Checks should be made out to the Brooklyn Park Crime Prevention Association (BPCPA) and sent to:

Special Events - NNO luncheon
5200 - 85th Avenue North
Brooklyn Park, MN 55443

Or call 763.493.8013 to register.

This will be the 23rd year the city officially celebrates National Night Out, and in 2005, Brooklyn Park was recognized for its participation for the 15th consecutive year.

"Brooklyn Park placed second in the nation for National Night Out" said Brooklyn Park Police Chief Wade Setter. "We also placed first in our category (of cities) statewide." National Night Out is organized and sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch, which selects recipients for and distributes the annual awards.

For more information on National Night Out, go to the Town Watch website at www.nationaltownwatch.org/nno/about.html.



Register Now for National Night Out!

You must register your neighborhood party to be eligible for one of the agencies to visit and to receive a National Night Out "goodie bag."

Registration forms must be received by Friday, July 21, 2006. Registration is quick and easy! Just complete the form below and return it to the Brooklyn Park Police Department go to www.brooklynpark.org to register online.

National Night Out is designed to: 1) Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness; 2) generate support for, and participation in, local anti-crime programs; 3) strengthen neighborhood spirit and police/community partnerships; and 4) send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

Please call C.P.C. Lee Glamm at 763.493.8035 if you have questions.

Don't Trash Your Old Electronics

Effective July 1, 2006, electronic products containing a cathode ray tube, such as TVs and computer monitors, may not be placed in the garbage. TVs and computer monitors contain two to eight pounds of lead and, if disposed of improperly, harm the environment.

The solution is to recycle your electronics. The Hennepin County Recycling Center at 8100 Jefferson Highway in Brooklyn Park accepts electronic equipment from residents for FREE. For more information visit www.hennepin.mn.us keyword search "Drop Off Facilities" or call 612.348.3777.

Registration Form - National Night Out*

Name of contact person: _____

Address: _____

Phone: () _____

Start Time: _____

A "goodie bag" will be dropped off at the above address. If you would like it left at a **different** address, please give a drop off address: _____

Registration forms must be received by July 21, 2006, in order for us to get your party location on the map. Please mail or return this form (only one per neighborhood) to: Brooklyn Park Police Department, NNO Registration, 5400 - 85th Ave. North, Brooklyn Park, MN 55443. Or send by fax to 763.493.8393.

***Tennessee Warning:**

The party address on this form is considered public data (MS13.37(3)). Failure to provide this information will result in the rejection of your National Night Out registration. Your name and phone number is considered private data and will not be released. You are not required to provide this information. It is used to contact you if needed.

Wells Fargo Annual Golden Spud Hunt Continues

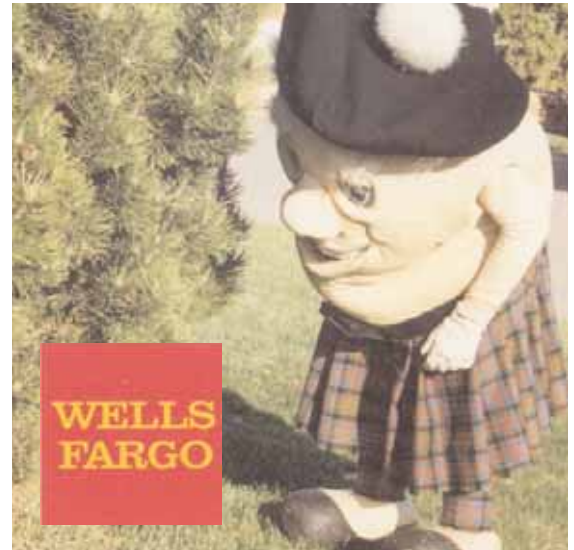
Residents are encouraged to help Spud McTater find his lost heirloom

The unthinkable has happened again. Brooklyn Park's official mascot, Spud McTater, has misplaced his family heirloom, the infamous Golden Spud, right before the Tater Daze family festival. The dejected and embarrassed McTater is asking for your help to locate his prized spud. Last year, helpful residents Mark and Stacy Wensel earned \$1,000 for locating the heirloom. McTater is delighted his dear friends at Wells Fargo are again willing to provide a \$1,000 reward to the lucky finder.

Each week the city will provide clues to the golden spud's whereabouts. Be sure to watch for clues in the Sun Post and on Channel 12. We'll also publish clues on the Tater Daze (www.taterdaze.org) and the city websites (www.brooklynpark.org).

No Internet access? Don't worry! Clues will also be posted at the Community Activity Center and at City Hall.

This year's winner will be announced at the National Night Out celebration on August 1.



Until then, happy hunting!

For further information, call 763.493.8333. You may also check our website, www.brooklynpark.org, Community Television (NWCT 12), or the Sun Post.

2006 Tater Daze Parade Winners

The 42nd Annual Tater Daze Celebration ended on June 18, celebrating the past, present and future. Over 5,000 residents kicked off the community festival by attending Thursday's parade. Parade winners were:

Marching Band Winners

Class A

- 1st Place - Litchfield
- 2nd Place - Monticello
- 3rd Place - Lincoln High, Lake City

Class AA

- 1st Place - Waconia
- 2nd Place - Champlin Park
- 3rd Place - Osseo

Overall Grand Champion

Waconia

Float Winners

Amateur

- 1st Place - Brooklyn Park Evangelical Free Church
- 2nd Place - Metropolitan Mosquito Control
- 3rd Place - Hennepin Country Fair

Professional

- 1st Place - Anoka Halloween
- 2nd Place - Miss Baldwin (Wisconsin) Royalty
- 3rd Place - Knights of Columbus Float & Color Guard

1st Annual Couch Potato Contest Winner

Ben Erickson



Due to main stage damage from Friday night's storm, the Rockin' Hollywoods and the Eagle River Band performances were cancelled. Both bands have agreed to perform during the Wednesday night concert series at the Community Activity Center. Look for further concert details on the city website at www.brooklynpark.org.



Official Tater Daze Sponsors

We would like to thank our generous sponsor and donors for making the 42nd Annual Tater Daze Festival such a success.

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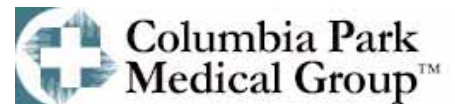
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Free Outdoor Concert

Don't miss the Fabulous "Edgewater Eight"

Join us Wednesday, July 12, at the Community Activity Center (CAC) for an evening of music by the Edgewater Eight - the well known, original group who performed for years at the Edgewater Inn in northeast Minneapolis. Bring a lawn chair, the concert begins at 6:30 p.m., rain or shine. In the case of inclement weather, the show will move indoors. Come early and shop at the new Farmers Market from 3-7 p.m.!

Summer Concert Schedule

July 5	North Suburban Community Band, CAC
July 12	Edgewater Eight, CAC
July 18	Bluegrass at the Farm, Eidem Homestead
July 19	Tropics Steele Band, CAC
July 26	Rockin' Hollywoods, CAC
August 8	Teddy Bear Band, Eidem Homestead
August 9	Jay Shawn Sweeney children's music, CAC
August 16	Annual TeenStock featuring local teen talent, CAC

All events start at 6:30 p.m.

Lawn Sprinkling Restrictions

Odd/Even lawn sprinkling restrictions are in effect until September 30. Residents with even-numbered addresses may water on even-numbered days; odd-numbered addresses may water on odd-numbered days.

Residents should avoid sprinkling their lawns between the hours of 4:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. when water supply demand is at its peak. Newly seeded or sodded lawns and irrigation wells are exempt from this restriction.

It is best to water lawns early in the morning before 10 a.m. when water lost to evaporation is lowest.



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City of Brooklyn Park 2005 Drinking Water Report

2006 CITY WATER AT A GLANCE

Customer Cost 2006 Rates

- Customer cost \$1.50 per 1,000 gallons up to 50,000 gallons per quarter.
- \$2.25 per 1,000 gallons for over 50,000 gallons per quarter.

Water Distribution

- Approximately 21,000 customers
- 15 million gallons of storage (6 reservoirs)
- 2,750 public fire hydrants
- 305 miles of watermain

Water Production

- 3 billion gallons produced annually from 18 wells
- Maximum production of 35 million gallons per day
- Average day demand 9 million gallons per day

The City of Brooklyn Park is issuing the results of monitoring done on its drinking water for the period from January 1 to December 31, 2005. The purpose of this report is to advance consumers' understanding of drinking water and heighten awareness of the need to protect precious water resources.

Source of Water

Brooklyn Park produces drinking water from groundwater sources encompassing 13 wells ranging from 213 - 737 feet deep. Water is drawn from the following aquifers: Mt. Simon, Quaternary Water Table, Jordan, Quaternary Buried Artesian and Franconia-Ironton-Galesville.

The Minnesota Department of Health has determined that one or more sources of your drinking water are susceptible to contamination. If you wish to obtain the entire source water assessment regarding your drinking water, please call 651.215.0800 or 1.800.818.9318 (and press 5) during normal business hours. Also, you can view it online at www.health.state.mn.us/divs/eh/water/swp/swa.

Call 763.315.8410 if you have questions about the city drinking water or would like information about opportunities for public participation in decisions that may affect the quality of the drinking water.

Results of Monitoring

No contaminants were detected at levels that violated federal drinking water standards. However, some contaminants were detected in trace amounts that were below legal limits. The table that follows shows the contaminants that were detected in trace amounts last year. Some contaminants are sampled less frequently and as a result were not for 2003. If any of these contaminants were detected the last time they were sampled, they are included in the table along with the date of detection.

Contaminant (units)	MCLG	MCL	Level Found		Typical Source of Contaminant
			Range (2003)	Average Result*	
Alpha Emitters (pCi/l) (04/11/2002)	0	15.4	N/A	1.7	Erosion of natural deposits.
Barium (ppm) (4/22/2004)	2	2	.119-.156	0.16	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits.
Combined Radium (pCi/l) (04/11/2002)	0	5.4	N/A	0.16	Erosion of natural deposits.
Fluoride (ppm)	4	4	.89-1.1	1.05	State of Minnesota requires all municipal water systems to add fluoride to the drinking water to promote strong teeth; erosion of natural deposits; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5) (ppb)	0	60	N/A	2.4	By-product of drinking water disinfection.
TTHM (Total Trihalomethanes) (ppb)	0	80	N/A	18.5	By-product of drinking water disinfection.

Contaminant (units)	Level Found		Typical Source of Contaminant
	Range (2003)	Average Result*	
Radon (pCi/l) (12/05/2001)	N/A	112	Erosion of natural deposits.

*This is the value used to determine compliance with federal standards. It sometimes is the highest value detected and sometimes is an average of all the detected values. If it is an average, it may contain sampling results from the previous year.

Radon is a radioactive gas, which is naturally occurring in some groundwater. It poses a lung cancer risk when gas is released from water into air (as occurs during showering, bathing, washing dishes or clothes) and a stomach cancer risk when it is ingested. Because radon in indoor air poses a much greater health risk than radon in drinking water, an Alternative Maximum Contaminant Level (AMCL) of 4,000 picoCuries per liter may apply in states that have adopted an Indoor Air Program, which compels citizens, homeowners,



schools and communities to reduce the radon threat from indoor air. For states without such a program, the Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) of 300 pCi/l may apply. Minnesota plans to adopt an Indoor Air Program once the Radon Rule is finalized

Contaminant (units)	MRDLG	MRDL	****	****	Typical Source of Contaminant
Chlorine (ppm)	4	4	.2-.4	.31	Water additive used to control microbes.

Contaminant (units)	MCLG	AL	90% Level	Number of Sites Over AL	Typical Source of Contaminant
Copper (ppm) (08/09/2004)	N/A	1.3	.8	0 out of 30	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits.
Lead (ppb) (08/09/2004)	N/A	15	5	1 out of 30	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits.

Some contaminants do not have Maximum Contaminant Levels established for them. These “unregulated contaminants” are assessed using state standards known as health risk limits to determine if they pose a threat to human health. If unacceptable levels of an unregulated contaminant are found, the response is the same as if an MCL has been exceeded; the water system must inform its customers and take other corrective actions. In the table that follows are the unregulated contaminants that were detected.

Contaminant (units)	Level Found		Typical Source of Contaminant
	Range (2005)	Average Result	
Sodium (ppm) (4/22/2004)	N/A	18	Erosion of natural deposits.
Sulfate (ppm) (4/22/2004)	N/A	97	Erosion of natural deposits.

Compliance with National Primary Drinking Water Regulations

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- Microbial contaminants**, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife.
- Inorganic contaminants**, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining or farming.
- Pesticides and herbicides**, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff and residential uses.
- Organic chemical contaminants**, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems.
- Radioactive contaminants**, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

To ensure tap water is safe to drink, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) prescribes regulations, which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which must provide the same protection for public health.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1.800.426.4791.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population, especially immunocompromised persons (i.e. cancer patients undergoing chemotherapy, organ transplant recipients, HIV/AIDS patients or other immune system disorders. Also elderly and infants can be particularly at-risk from infections). These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1.800.426.4791.



Key to Abbreviations

MCLG Maximum Contaminant Level Goal: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. The MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

AL Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirement which a water system must follow.

MCL Maximum Contaminant Level: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

90th Percentile Level This is the value obtained after disregarding 10 percent of the samples taken that had the highest levels. (For example, in a situation in which 10 samples were taken, the 90th percentile level is determined by disregarding the highest result, which represents 10 percent of the samples.) Note: In situations in which only five samples are taken, the average of the two with the highest levels is taken to determine the 90th percentile level.

pCi/l PicoCuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity).

ppm Parts per million, also expressed as milligrams per liter (mg/l).

ppb Parts per billion, also expressed as micrograms per liter (ug/l).

nd No detection.

N/A Not applicable (does not apply).

Firefighters Checking Smoke Detectors

Residents in some of Brooklyn Park's older neighborhoods may see fire trucks driving their streets and uniformed fire fighters combing their area on the evening of August 7. Don't be alarmed, there likely isn't a nearby fire and they will not be selling tickets to the Fireman's Ball. Instead, firefighters will visit neighborhoods to perform free smoke detector inspections as well as provide free smoke detectors during the Annual Brooklyn Park Smoke Detector Give-away Event.

Each year, Brooklyn Park firefighters visit selected areas within the city in an effort to ensure homes have working smoke detectors. Many homes were built before state laws required the devices and other homes rely on battery-operated smoke detectors.

Firefighters will have batteries and smoke detectors available to install where needed. Please be receptive, but better still, check your smoke detectors now to be sure they work. Since the smoke detector inspection and give-away program was implemented, firefighters consistently find that 30-35% of the homes visited do not have adequate protection.

Besides the big yellow truck, the firefighter uniform and official badge, each firefighter will also carry a city employee I.D. card for proper identification. You are not obligated to let anyone into your home so just say "No, thank you" if you are not interested.



Brooklyn Park Students Needed for City Commissions

City recruiting for new youth liaison commissioners

The city is opening its annual recruitment process to fill youth liaison vacancies on city commissions. Applications for appointments will be accepted through August 30, 2006.

Students must live in Brooklyn Park and be at least 15 years old. Successful candidates serve a one-year term beginning September 1, 2006, and ending August 31, 2007.

Applications are available on the city's website, <http://www.brooklyn-park.org/government/committees/commserv.html>, and at the City Hall customer service desk. You may also call 763.493.8001 to request an application or to ask questions about serving as a youth liaison on city commissions.

Mayor & Council Member Candidate Filings Open July 4 - 18

Eligible residents who desire to become a candidate for the office of Mayor or Council Member for the West, Central or East District, must file an affidavit of candidacy with the City Clerk. Affidavits will be accepted beginning at 8 a.m., July 5, through 5 p.m., July 18. The Municipal General Election will be held November 7, 2006. The official filing period begins on July 4, 2006, and petitions may be circulated on the Fourth of July.

The Mayor At Large and Council Members will serve a four-year term beginning January 2, 2007. If more than two residents file for candidacy for any contested seats, a municipal primary election will be held September 12, 2006, to nominate candidates for the general election.

Affidavits of Candidacy, a \$25 filing fee, and nominating petitions must be filed in the Clerk's Office in City Hall, located at 5200 - 85th Avenue North. Candidate packets are available in the Clerk's Office. Questions regarding filing for office may be directed to the Clerk at 763.493.8180 or email devinm@ci.brooklyn-park.mn.us.

Qualifications for Filing Affidavit of Candidacy

An affidavit of candidacy shall state the name of the office sought and shall state the candidate:

1. Is an eligible voter*;
2. Has no other affidavit on file as a candidate for any office at the upcoming primary or general election;
3. Is, or will be on assuming office 21 years of age or more;
4. Has been a resident of Brooklyn Park for at least 30 days before the general election.

*eligible voter" as defined in MS 201.014, subd. 1 is an individual who meets the following requirements at the time of election:

1. Be 18 years of age or older;
2. be a citizen of the United States; and
3. maintain residence in Minnesota for 20 days immediately preceding the election.

Withdrawal from Election

A candidate may withdraw from the election by filing an affidavit of withdrawal with the Clerk no later than 5 p.m., Thursday, July 20, 2006. Thereafter, no candidate may file an affidavit of withdrawal. (MS205.13, subd. 6).

Absent Candidates

A nominating petition for a candidate out of the state during the filing period may submit an affidavit of candidacy along with filing fees and any required petitions during the seven days prior to the candidate's absence.

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