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Envisioning the future

City kicks off 2040 Comprehensive Plan process to provide blueprint for community's future

WHAT'S YOUR VISION?

We want to know what you see for Shakopee in the next 20 years.

How do you picture Shakopee in the year 2040?

What would make it easier to live in Shakopee? Safer? More welcoming?

What amenities would you like to see?

What growth or redevelopment?

This plan is our chance to envision the Shakopee of the future, but we need you to tell us what the vision is.

Stop for a moment and imagine it is the year 2040. What is Shakopee like? What do you see? What makes it a great place to live, work and visit?

Now, how do we bring that vision to life?

The city is kicking off Envision Shakopee, an update to its comprehensive plan and the city's blueprint for the future.

Senior Planner Eric Weiss describes how the 2040 plan will be a significant shift in process, tone and structure from previous city plans.



Senior Planner
Eric Weiss

WHAT IS A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN?

In short, the comprehensive plan is the community's vision for the future and an outline of the strategic actions and steps necessary to achieve the vision. The plan addresses issues, trends and problem areas while identifying opportunities for improvement and highlighting the community's best features.

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Cover Photo: Shakopee Police Officer Gary Kern and McGruff the Crime Dog pose with neighborhood kids during the 2016 Night to Unite celebration. Photo by Traci Kern.

CITY CALENDAR

- June 13 **Shakopee Town Hall**, 6 p.m., Community Center
- 17 **Big Fun Day**, 5-8 p.m., Huber Park
- 17 **Movie in the Park**, Sunset, Huber Park
- 18 **Father/Mother's Day Special**, 11 a.m. - 7 p.m., SandVenture Aquatic Park
- 21 **Special Olympics Torch Run**, 9 a.m., Police Department
- 30 **Happy Birthday America Parade**, 10:30 a.m., Lions Park
- July 4 **Fourth of July**, City offices and Community Center closed.
- 4 **Celebrate the Red, White & Blue**, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m., SandVenture Aquatic Park
- 10 **Half-Way, Half-Pay Day**, 11 a.m. - 7 p.m., SandVenture Aquatic Park
- 14 **Pop-Up Splash Pad**, 5-7 p.m., Community Center
- 29 **Movie in the Park**, Sunset, Huber Park
- August 1 **Shakopee Night to Unite**, 5-9 p.m.
- 4 **Summer Carnival**, 10-11:15 a.m., Lions Park
- 4 **Carnival Splashtacular**, 11 a.m. - 7 p.m., SandVenture Aquatic Park
- 18 **Pop-Up Splash Pad**, 5-7 p.m., Green Meadows Park
- 20 **Treasure Hunt Beach Bash**, 1-4 p.m., SandVenture Aquatic Park

MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

Greetings, Shakopee!

This spring, the city has begun asking residents what they envision for Shakopee's future. What will the city look like? What actions should the city undertake to foster improvements? What values and characteristics make a great community?



Mayor Bill Mars

These questions are being asked as part of a much larger effort, called "Envision Shakopee," to craft our community's road map to the future, known as the comprehensive plan (page 3, 6), in part by incorporating a variety of community perspectives.

As we start the Envision Shakopee process, the most important voice we need is yours. We need residents, business owners and others with a vested interest in Shakopee to tell us what they want Shakopee to be in 2040. Your vision is what will shape our community's plan for action and help guide decision making, investments and policy.

You will have multiple opportunities to get involved from in-person to online. We'll kick off the endeavor this summer with a public workshop in which we hope to have hundreds of Shakopee stakeholders come tell us your vision for the future of the city.

So how can you stay involved? First, sign up for email notifications through the city website. We'll be posting regular updates about the plan progress, information about upcoming events and questions/topics for online discussion. Second, attend our Envision Shakopee events. We need you to get active and be part of this discussion. Let's talk about what you want to see happen in Shakopee. Our workshops and events are the best way to do this. Third, log in. This process will have plenty of interactive, online activities for you to do while sitting on your couch in your sweats. Watch for our special project website. Fourth, be an Envision Shakopee advocate. Talk to your neighbors. Talk to your coworkers. Encourage them to get involved. We want all Shakopee residents to be part of this process.

If you have ideas for how we can get more people involved, please let us know. Contact Senior Planner Eric Weiss at eweiss@ShakopeeMN.gov or 952-233-9347.

Envision Shakopee is an important step in our community's future, and we want everyone to have a vested interest in it. We don't want this plan to sit on a shelf somewhere. We want to live it!

Bill Mars

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Welcome to RiverSouth

When the sun starts shining and the ponies start racing, everyone who lives south of the river knows where to find fun.

Thanks to big entertainment attractions like Canterbury Park and Valleyfair, the region is known as an entertainment destination, and the marketing partnership behind RiverSouth hopes to brand the area as the place to be.

RiverSouth is a joint public-private collaboration that aims to advance the economic impact of tourism to the region by building awareness; attracting visitors, employees and entertainment developers; and encouraging tourists to extend their visits.

Launched in 2014, RiverSouth includes the area's four largest entertainment attractions – Canterbury Park, Mystic Lake Casino Hotel, Valleyfair and the Minnesota Renaissance Festival – as well as the cities of Prior Lake and



Shakopee and the Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community.

"While RiverSouth is still relatively new, the strength and longevity of our partner attractions has provided great affinity for the RiverSouth brand, and we expect that to grow," said RiverSouth Executive Director Bill Von Bank.

The partnership is based on similar collaborations along the North Shore, in Minnesota's Cook County and the Wisconsin Dells.

"There is strength with numbers," Von Bank said, "and this partnership provides greater opportunities for collaboration among the attractions."

For example, RiverSouth has developed multimedia advertising campaigns for the Twin Cities and upper-Midwest region. The partnership recently launched its "For every side of you" campaign that highlights the entertainment diversity in RiverSouth in a unique way. The organization also plans to expand its street marketing presence in Rochester and Eau Claire later this year.

Learn more about RiverSouth at www.riversouthmn.org.

NEWS & NOTES

New employees join staff

Several new employees have recently joined the City of Shakopee organization:

- Bryan Hughes, police department investigative assistant
- Jacob Kerr, police officer
- Molly Crosby, police receptionist
- Micah Heckman, graduate engineer
- Carol Zevenbergen, senior engineering technician
- Elizabeth Guggisberg, crime prevention specialist
- Keith Jellinger, firefighter
- Andrew Toczek, firefighter

- Dustin Campion, firefighter
- Bradley Horsmann, firefighter
- Christopher Richardson, firefighter
- DeSonta Landry, community service officer

City receives annual finance award

The City of Shakopee received its 31st consecutive Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada for its comprehensive annual financial report. The certificate is the highest form of recognition in the area of government accounting and financial reporting.

WHY ARE WE UPDATING OUR PLAN?

The last plan was adopted in 2008. Our city, region, state, county and world have changed drastically since then. (The iPhone was only a year old at that point and we were in the middle of the Great Recession!)

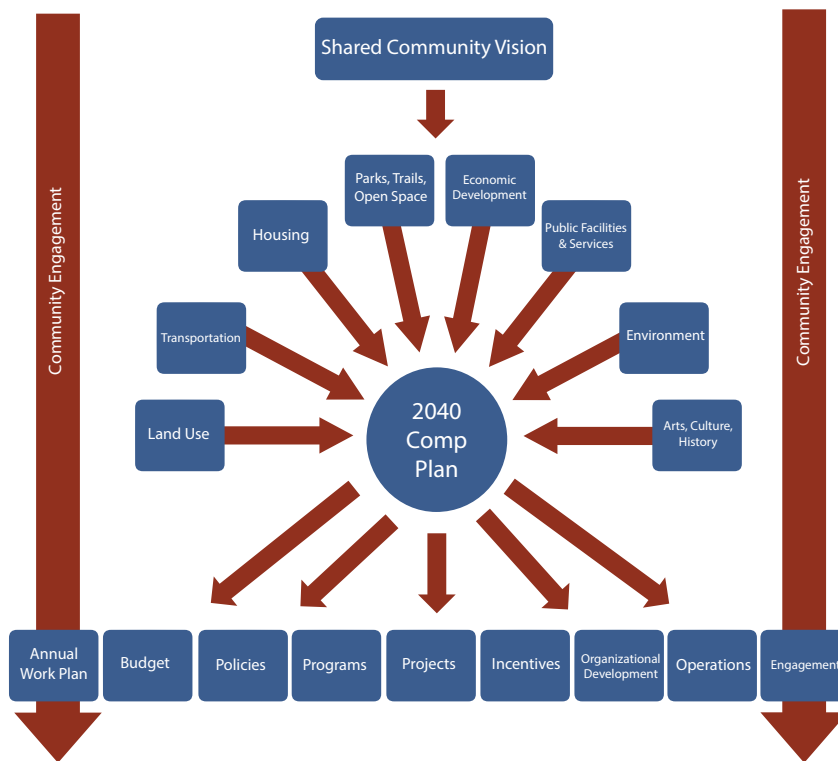
The city needs a plan that addresses our current situation and helps us make decisions for today and our future. It's also important that we hear from those who live, work and visit the city, a process that will be very different from previous plans. State law also requires cities, townships and counties in the metro area update their plans every 10 years.

HOW WILL THE CITY USE THE PLAN?

We want to create a plan that is, first and foremost, usable and can guide our decisions in the future. It will touch every part of city government and inform the city's budget, policies, programs, projects, communications and daily operations. The plan will be used to guide things like housing, transportation, jobs, parks and utilities. Its flexibility will allow the city to make regular updates.

WILL THE AVERAGE RESIDENT BE ABLE TO UNDERSTAND IT?

Yes! The plan won't be successful if it's not accessible. Our goal is to create a plan that uses plain language and graphics to share the community vision and outline the city's plan for the future. We want it to be visually appealing and accessible to everyone in our community.



GET INVOLVED!

Residents and business owners will have opportunities to share input, offer feedback and impact the plan every step of the way – and in many different ways.

For example, we'll be launching a fully interactive website dedicated to the plan. We'll also be hosting hands-on, engaging workshops, listening sessions and open houses.

You'll see us at community events and leading small-group workshops. City staff is happy to come speak to your group or organization.

We will also have a "Do It Yourself" planning kit with all the resources and questions needed to host your own community planning meeting.

WHAT IS THE PROJECT TIMELINE?

In May, the City Council hired MKSK, an award-winning consulting firm based in Ohio, to facilitate Shakopee's planning process and to provide technical resources and expertise unavailable at City Hall. The project timeline is below.



IMPLEMENTATION

WHERE CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION?

- Visit our website at www.ShakopeeMN.gov/2040
- Sign up for email updates on events and interactive ways to get involved at www.ShakopeeMN.gov/enotifications and choose "2040 Comprehensive Plan."



An example of a model homes proposed for the Windermere development in west Shakopee, west of Marystown Road and 17th Avenue.

New housing options coming to Shakopee

The Shakopee City Council recently approved plans for two residential developments to bring 300 new homes to Shakopee.

D.R. Horton plans to build 197 townhomes and single-family homes on 77 acres west of Marystown Road and south of Highway 169.

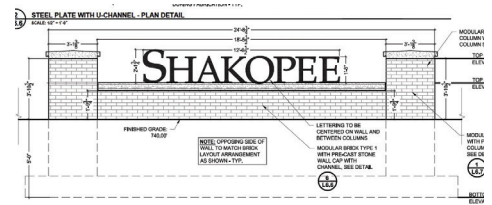
The Windermere development will include multiple home styles including three-story townhomes, single-family homes and raised ranch homes. The houses are anticipated to range in price from \$225,000 for a townhome to \$325,000 and up for single family homes.

Lennar Homes plans to build 104 single-family homes on 79 acres north of Scott County Highway 16 east of Ridgeview Estates and south of County Highway 21.

The development consists of approximately 38 acres of open space and wetland areas. The city is in discussions with the Prior Lake – Spring Lake Watershed District to improve the outlet channel and wetland areas and develop trails and boardwalks that connect to area trails and parks.

The Ridge Creek development features a variety of house plans. The family focused homes would start in the mid-to-upper \$300,000 range. In addition, Lennar Homes is considering offering NextGen homes, which provide an additional suite for a family member, such as an elderly parent.

Amcon Construction has also submitted an application to construct a 133-unit apartment building, behind the new Hy-Vee store. West Vierling Acres would be market-rate apartments, offering studio, one- and two-bedroom apartments. The project will be on the June 8 Planning Commission agenda.



A new "SHAKOPEE" monument sign will be constructed north of River City Centre to welcome residents coming into the city from the Highway 101.

Downtown improvements kick off this summer

Construction is scheduled to start later this summer on three downtown improvement projects.

The city has been working with WSB and RJM Construction to complete final plans for bids. The project includes:

- Landscaping and a new "Shakopee" sign at River City Centre to greet visitors as they come over the Highway 101 bridge. The project also includes new landscaping and paving under the existing archway and a permanent location for the Shakopee Christmas tree.

- Creation of a new gateway plaza at the intersection of First Avenue and County Highway 101. Improvements include a new sign for downtown, lighting and extensive landscaping along with an electronic reader board that will announce community events. Also, new concrete crosswalks will be installed to Huber Park to aid in pedestrian access and connection to the park.

- A redeveloped parking lot on Lewis Street that includes a new plaza, landscaping, surface water management and lighting. The improvements include pedestrian enhancements along Lewis Street.

The City Council plans to seek bids for the project early this summer. Work should be completed by late fall 2017. Learn more about the downtown improvements on the city website.



BRUCE LONEY
Public Works Director/City Engineer

MOST SATISFYING PROJECTS: Highway 101 bridge to Chanhassen, Mill Pond trail (pictured) Dean Lake Control Structure.

HANGING AROUND: Loney will work part-time with the city during the transition to a new director.

IN RETIREMENT: He plans to spend his time volunteering, playing with his grandkids and golfing.

SECRET TO HEALTH: Loney claims to have taken only four sick days in his 23 years. "If you really enjoy the job, it's good for your health."

Public Works director built roads, bridges and positive relationships

After 23 years, Bruce Loney knows exactly why he came to the City of Shakopee and, more importantly, why he stayed.

"I just felt like I came home," said Loney, who officially retired as Public Works Director/City Engineer May 31. "I made connections with people right away. For me, it's always been easy to go to work. It's fun."

Around City Hall, Loney is known for his humor, peacemaking and love of all things North Dakota State University. He's been a stalwart in an organization that has seen its share of change in leadership following decades of rapid growth.

When Loney joined the city in February 1995, Shakopee looked very different. The city was just months away from the opening of the Highway 169 Bloomington Ferry Bridge. For the next 10 years, Shakopee grew steadily and its infrastructure needed to keep up.

Thus, to say Loney built the city is hardly an understatement. He had his hand in nearly every major project that came into Shakopee over the last 25 years.

His impact, however, goes beyond roads, sewers and trails. When development slowed, Loney helped shift his department's focus from building infrastructure to maintaining it by developing asset management plans, creating right-of-way management and GIS programs and constructing a new Public Works building.

Yet, Loney is most proud of the relationships he's built – internally and externally. "[I enjoy] seeing my employees grow to the level they can grow and giving them opportunities to do so. When they do well, it's better than when I do well."

Loney's relationship building extends to other departments, agencies and even among community residents. He's well respected in his field and was named the 2016 Minnesota Municipal Engineer of the Year – a fitting tribute for a public servant who has always felt right at home doing what he loves.

"I've felt Shakopee is a city of character with a lot of characters," he said. "It's been fun working side-by-side those characters to build this city's character."

ROAD WORK UPDATES

STREET RECONSTRUCTIONS

The city is reconstructing Shakopee Avenue from Marschall Road to 11th Avenue and Dakota Street from Highway 101 to Second Avenue. Work kicked off in May and is expected to be completed by the third week of September.

SEALCOATS

Residents are asked to watch for "No Parking" signs as crews begin sealcoating designated city streets the second week of June. This process can be messy as crews apply small rock over hot oil. See the city website for a location map.

OVERLAYS

Bituminous overlays are also scheduled to take place some time between mid-June and mid-July. Updates will be posted on the city website. A map of impacted streets is also available.

SPENCER STREET OVERLAY

Scott County plans to overlay Spencer Street/County Highway 79 from 10th Avenue to County Highway 78. A timeline has not been released. Watch for more information as that project approaches.

More information at www.ShakopeeMN.gov/currentprojects.

Technology at work in the shop

One place where time seemingly stands still is the mechanic's shop. Regardless of the year, oil must be changed; tires need to be rotated; vehicles break down.

But even the Shakopee Public Works shop is moving with the times.

Earlier this year, the department began using a new fleet management software, AssetWorks, that tracks repairs and maintenance service; alerts mechanics about upcoming service; and compiles invoices, memos and mechanics notes in one place.

"Rather than digging through a file cabinet hoping to find records, a mechanic can now view a vehicle's repair history simply by using search functions," said Lead Mechanic Tom Larson. "It's a big-time saver and reduces the use of printers and paper that are a costly expense."

In addition, the shop is also using a vehicle tracking program, called Network Fleet, which monitors city vehicle use. For example, the software alerts mechanics if a vehicle's check engine light is flashing so the mechanic can call the vehicle in for service before it becomes a bigger issue.

The software also tracks vehicles, informing supervisors where city equipment has been and how it's been used. For example, Public Works supervisors can track where a street sweeper is, how much time is spent on a given street, how fast the sweeper moves or idles and which direction it travels. All this information can create better tracking and greater efficiencies.

"Managing a fleet is about more than changing oil," Larson said. "We want to use technology to ensure we get the most out of our equipment."

For more information about the city's Fleet Management Division, visit www.ShakopeeMN.gov/publicworks.



VEHICLES GET BRANDED

City vehicle decals have recently been updated to feature the city logo. Previously, the vehicles only used text. The update is one small way the city is striving to build community pride and a stronger Shakopee brand.



Mechanics Joe Ostlie, left, and Tom Larson diagnose an issue with a police vehicle using its wireless communication technology. Vehicles have become so smart these days, mechanics need a variety of electronic tools to maintain and manage them.



Being a good neighbor

GRASS AND WEEDS

Do not let grasses or weeds grow greater than 8 inches or go to seed.

OVERHANGING TREES AND BUSHES

Trim trees and bushes overhanging on public property (streets, alleys and sidewalks). Streets and alleys should have an overhead clearance of 15 feet; sidewalks 9 feet.

LAWN MOWING

Keep grass clippings and leaves out of the curb and gutter in the street.

PET WASTE

Immediately pick up pet waste on public or private land. Dispose in the trash or flush it down the toilet. Never put it in the storm drain.

FIREWORKS

Leave the fireworks displays to the professionals. When using legal fireworks, abide by the city noise ordinance.

NOISE ORDINANCE

Observe city quiet hours from 10 p.m. to 7 a.m. on weekdays and 9 p.m. to 9 a.m. on weekends and holidays.

WASTE CONTAINERS

Remove containers from the street by 7 p.m. on collection day. Store in a garage or place on the side of a building, not visible from the street.

NEWS & NOTES

Dial-a-ride transit service now available weekends

SmartLink Transit has recently expanded its dial-a-ride bus service hours to include weekday service until 9 p.m. and weekend service (7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.).

SmartLink is a door-to-door transit service with one-way fares ranging from \$2.25 to \$6.75, depending on distance. Scott County is also offering free weekend rides the month of June.

Reservations can be made Monday through Friday (7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.) by calling 952-496-8341, ext. 1. For more information, visit www.smartlinktransit.com.

Dog licenses available online

All dogs over 6 months must be licensed in the city. Shakopee dog licenses are also required to use the off-leash dog area at Southbridge Community Park. This includes dogs that live in other cities.

We offer two license options: a \$25 annual license (calendar year) and \$125 lifetime license. Both licenses are available through the city website at www.ShakopeeMN.gov/pets or in person at the Community Center, 1255 Fuller St.

Shakopee Government TV off air June 12

Meetings will not be broadcast live

With the city's upcoming move to the new City Hall building, Shakopee Government TV (Comcast Cable Channel 16) will be off the air June 12 through July 10. Archived meetings will still be available on the city website at www.ShakopeeMN.gov/livestream.



City Council and other boards and commissions meetings will not be broadcast live during this time. However, the June 20 and July 5 City Council meetings will be recorded and uploaded for playback on the city website and YouTube channel.

Watch the city website for more updates.



Rhythm on the Rails is a free outdoor, concert series taking place from 6-10 p.m. Wednesdays, July 19 to Aug. 16 in downtown Shakopee.

Enjoy live music (local and regional entertainers), kids activities, food and brew vendors, retail vendors and face painting. Musical acts ranging from cover bands, country, rock and roll, reggae and more. Learn more at www.downtownshakopee.org.

A LOOK BACK ...

The original City Hall building was located at the northeast corner of Lewis Street and Second Avenue. It also housed the Shakopee Fire Department, which was founded in 1883.

Today, the site is used as a municipal parking lot and will receive a face-lift as part of the downtown improvements project.

Right: City Hall, Circa 1955. Image courtesy the Minnesota Historical Society.

Far Right: The city removed the Fire Department bell atop the building in September 1958. The bell is currently on display outside Fire Station 1.





OLDER ACTIVE ADULTS

Check out these upcoming events for seniors (55+) hosted by Shakopee Parks and Recreation:

BLUEGRASS BBQ

11:30 a.m. June 28 at Huber Park

Join your friends for a summer BBQ with lunch catered by Mr. Pig Stuff, including pulled pork, beans and coleslaw. Music provided by Loosely Wound. Event is \$15/person. Register at www.ShakopeeMN.gov/registration with code BB628.

PROHIBITION AND SCOTT COUNTY

10 a.m. July 12 at Community Center


As of January 1920 anything over .5% alcohol became illegal in the United States. Nowhere was alcohol consumption more prevalent than in the cities, and Minnesota cities were no exception. But the excitement wasn't limited to the big city; Scott County had its share of fun. Discover how Prohibition played out in Scott County.

BAD BOYS, OUTLAWS OF SCOTT COUNTY

10 a.m. Aug. 30 at Community Center

Research reveals that Scott County had its share of persons with questionable ethics. Learn more about the characters of Scott County.

Please RSVP to Senior Coordinator Carla Kress at 952-233-9516. Presentations are sponsored by McNearny & Schmidt Funeral Home & Cremation Services.



SHAKOPEE TOWN HALL

6 P.M. TUESDAY, JUNE 13

Ask Shakopee city directors questions about community issues impacting you!

City directors are hosting a Town Hall forum at 6 p.m. June 13 in the Community Room of the Community Center. This question-and-answer panel will be a chance to learn more about the city.

GET THE LATEST ON THE CITY BLOG

The city has a new way to give residents, businesses and visitors and inside look into city operations.

The City Blog features behind-the-scenes updates about city projects and initiatives, as well as reflect on the reasons behind the work we do. Residents can ask questions and comment on blog posts.

"Shakopee city government is changing," City Administrator Bill Reynolds said. "This blog is a new tool that represents our changing approach to providing government services. It is designed not to tell you what we are doing as much as the 'why' behind what we do. I hope this increase in communication will increase our transparency, too."

All city departments will post to the blog, which is part of an ongoing effort to improve community engagement with tools like Shakopee Pulse and #AsktheCity. Check it out at www.ShakopeeMN.gov/cityblog.



City Hall to open late July

City staff will soon be making the move to the new City Hall building.

City Hall is officially scheduled to open for business at 485 Gorman St. in late July.

We appreciate our customers' patience during the transition. We encourage you to check the city website for updates at www.ShakopeeMN.gov/futurecityhall.

Protect your stuff

Police Department shares simple steps to reduce your chance of being a theft victim

As the weather warms, reports of thefts tend to rise, too.

Shakopee Police Sgt. Angela Trutnau says theft is all about opportunity. That's why it's important residents take precautions against your home becoming a victim of theft and improve your chance of recovery if the worst were to happen.

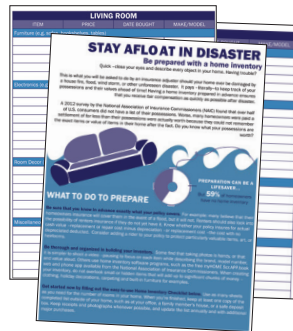
First of all, it's very important to know who you're letting into your house, Trutnau says. Whether they are your kids friends or service technicians "you never know what they're intentions could be."

Trutnau also advises residents to be careful about sharing your whereabouts, particularly if you're not at home.

"Don't advertise on social media that you're going away for an x amount of days," she says. "This gives someone the perfect opportunity to break into your house".

PROTECT YOUR HOME

1. Ensure valuables are out of sight in your home and vehicle. For example, take the extra step of closing your laptop to make it less visible through a window.
2. Don't leave your garage doors open. Park in your garage rather than your driveway. A visible garage door opener can be tempting.
3. Put up security alarm signs – even if you don't have a security system. These warning signs are often enough to deter would-be thieves.
4. Install motion-sensor lights. In general, good lighting is a useful deterrent for theft and vandalism.
5. Know your mail. Have a special place for delivered packages. (Check out more tips at right.)
6. Install good locks on your doors – and use them! A locked door is another barrier to a thief. Lock the interior door of your house and garage.



The Minnesota Department of Commerce has a home inventory checklist packet available for download at mn.gov/commerce-stat/pdfs/home-inventory.pdf.

RECOVER YOUR VALUABLES

7. Know your valuables. Take photos and videos of the items in your home. Trutnau recalls how a photo once helped her identify and recover an heirloom bracelet.
8. Create a home inventory list that includes make and model number of electronics, furniture, etc. This is helpful for insurance claims and monitoring stolen items through pawn shops.
9. Email your photos, video and inventory to yourself to store on the cloud. Don't leave the photos on your phone since it may be a prime target for theft. Even a safe can be stolen or broken into.



KNOW YOUR MAIL

The Shakopee Police Department has received an increase in reports of mail thefts. Here are some tips for protecting your mail:

- Be aware of what you're expecting in the mail. That way you know something is up if it doesn't arrive.
- The U.S. Postal Service has recently launched a new service called Informed Delivery that lets you preview your daily mail. Residential customers receive an email with images of what is coming in the mail that day. This is a free service. Sign up at informedelivery.usps.com.
- Have a special place for deliveries out of sight of the street. For example, you could ask your mailman or delivery driver to drop your packages off in the backyard.
- If you're going on vacation, talk to the post office and ask it to hold your mail and packages for a week.



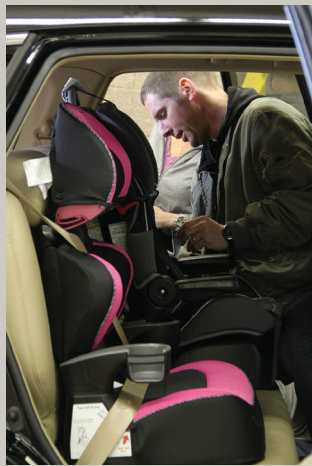


An oath of commitment to the community

The Shakopee Fire Department recently adopted a new tradition designed to welcome each new firefighter to the team with a solemn oath to protect, safeguard and preserve life, health, and property against fire and other perils.

The oath was written by a committee of firefighters, based on the department's fundamental values: Pride, Honor, Integrity and Service.

In March, the majority of Shakopee firefighters stood alongside their brothers in the fire service and repeated the oath. In the future, each new firefighter will stand in front of the membership and will make that solemn promise to his/her community.



Free car seat safety clinic; appointments required

Have your child's car seat checked to ensure it's properly installed during a free car seat clinic from 3 to 5 p.m. Thursday, June 22 at Shakopee Fire Station 1, 2700 Vierling Drive E.

To set up an appointment, contact Officer Yzermans at 952-233-4000 or email jyzermans@ShakopeeMN.gov.

The Shakopee Fire Department also hosts free car seat checks by appointment. Learn more on the city website at www.ShakopeeMN.gov/fire.



14th annual Shakopee Torch Run

Support Minnesota Special Olympics by participating in a 5K run, ride or blade through Shakopee.

Wednesday, June 21 - 9 a.m.

Shakopee Police Department, 475 Gorman St.

Register online at shakopee.kintera.org

CHIEF'S NOTES

It has been a busy spring at the Shakopee Police Department. We are excited to introduce several new staff members.

Molly Crosby is the new first face you are likely to see when you enter the department. She started as our new receptionist on April 24.

We also welcome back a familiar face in Bryan Hughes. Bryan is a former community service officer with us and was recently hired as the city's first investigative aide. Bryan will assist our investigations team with its large case loads and help resolve cases in a timelier manner.



Shakopee Police Chief Jeff Tate

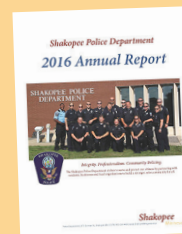
Liz Guggisberg started May 8 as our new crime prevention specialist. Liz recently graduated from the University of Minnesota and will begin running our rental registration and CFMH program. She is also starting to get ready for Night to Unite. Registration begins June 1 at www.ShakopeeMN.gov/nighttounite.

We also have a new officer joining patrol. Jacob Kerr was sworn in on April 18. He is currently in our field training program. Jacob is also an active member of the Wisconsin National Guard.

Also, we just recently welcomed our new community service officer, DeSonta Landry. She succeeds Maurice Smith, who recently took an officer position with the St. Louis Park Police Department.

Even with all these new (and returning) faces, we haven't changed our mission, and that's to serve

our community with integrity and professionalism. You can read more about our department in the 2016 annual report available on the city website at www.ShakopeeMN.gov/police.



NEWS & NOTES

Register now for Night to Unite, Aug. 1

Be sure to register your neighborhood block party for visits from the Shakopee Police, Fire and Public Works departments during the annual Night to Unite celebration Tuesday, Aug. 1. Registration is required for city visits. Register by Friday, July 14. Learn more at www.ShakopeeMN.gov/nighttotunite.



Five new firefighters join department

The Fire Department recently hired five new paid-on-call firefighters. Brad Horsmann, Keith Jellinger, Chris Richardson, Andy Toczek and Dustin Campion started May 8.

The five firefighters will go through several months of training with other Scott County fire departments. Then, they must pass the Minnesota Fire Service Certification Board exams.

MADD recognizes PD at annual luncheon

In April, the Shakopee Police Department received the Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) Policy Setter Award for its innovative Recovery Assistance Program.

MADD also recognized Janna Wood posthumously with the Public Safety Champion Award for her social media efforts. Her husband, Eric, accepted the award.

Fire Relief Association seeks department memorabilia

The Shakopee Fire Relief Association is in search of pictures (personal or professional), newspaper clippings and fire memorabilia items, such as old turn out gear, firefighting tools, clothing, etc. The department will make copies of photos and take pictures of any items. The original documents and items can be returned to the owner.

If you have a piece of Shakopee fire or firefighting history and would like to share these items with us, please call the Shakopee Fire Department at 952-233-9570 or you can email us at firesafety@ShakopeeMN.gov.

Upcoming Crime Prevention Events



**To register, please contact the Crime Prevention Office at (952) 233-9441 or visit www.ShakopeeMN.gov/crimeprevention*

JUNE

LUNCH AND LEARN WITH THE POLICE: SCAMS & FINANCIAL FRAUD

Seniors (55+), bring your police-related questions and concerns for discussion. This is a great opportunity to learn more about the Shakopee Police Department and law enforcement. Lunch is provided by Farmers Insurance/Tim Whitman of Shakopee.

When: 12:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 20

Where: Community Room, Shakopee Community Center, 1255 Fuller St.

Cost: Free; Registration required. RSVP to Carla at 952-233-9516

CAR SEAT INSTALLATION CLINIC

Did you know three of four car seats are installed incorrectly. Is yours one of them? Stop wondering. Come and learn how to secure your children the right way.

When: 3-5 p.m. Thursday, June 22

Where: Fire Station 1, 2700 Vierling Drive W.

Cost: Free; Appointments required by calling 952-233-4000 or emailing jyermans@ShakopeeMN.gov

JULY

LUNCH AND LEARN WITH THE POLICE: EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, SAFE DRIVING

Seniors (55+), bring your police-related questions and concerns for discussion. This is a great opportunity to learn more about the Shakopee Police Department and law enforcement. Lunch is provided by Farmers Insurance/Tim Whitman of Shakopee.

When: 12:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 18

Where: Community Room, Shakopee Community Center, 1255 Fuller St.

Cost: Free; Registration required. RSVP to Carla at 952-233-9516

COPS & CONES

Cool off with some frozen treats and have friendly conversations or share community concerns with: Shakopee police officers.

When: TBD

Where: Southbridge Dairy Queen, 8021 Old Carriage Court

Cost: Free

AUGUST

NIGHT TO UNITE

Lock your doors, turn on your porch lights and join the City of Shakopee for the annual Night to Unite neighborhood block parties.

When: 5-9 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 1

Where: Around Shakopee

Cost: Free; Registration required at www.ShakopeeMN.gov/nighttotunite

LUNCH AND LEARN WITH THE POLICE: INVESTIGATIONS

Seniors (55+), bring your police-related questions and concerns for discussion. This is a great opportunity to learn more about the Shakopee Police Department and law enforcement. Lunch is provided by Farmers Insurance/Tim Whitman of Shakopee.

When: 12:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 15

Where: Community Room, Shakopee Community Center, 1255 Fuller St.

Cost: Free; Registration required. RSVP to Carla at 952-233-9516

Summer 2017 PARKS & REC NEWS

Shakopee Parks and Recreation | Recreation Hotline 952-233-9502

Big FUN all summer

Mark your calendar for these summer events with Parks and Recreation! All events are free unless noted.

June 17 – **BIG FUN DAY**, 5-8 p.m. at Huber Park

June 24 – **LET'S GO FISHING**, 10 a.m.-Noon at Lions Park (\$5; Registration required)



June 30 – **HAPPY BIRTHDAY AMERICA PARADE**, 10:30 a.m. Lions Park

July 14 – **POP-UP SPLASH PAD**, 5-7 p.m. at Community Center

Aug. 4 – **SUMMER CARNIVAL**, 10-11:15 a.m. at Lions Park (\$5 admission)

Aug. 7-10 – **ADVENTURE DAY CAMP**, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. at Youth Building at Lions Park (\$115-\$125; Registration required)

Aug. 18 – **Pop-Up Splash Pad**, 5-7 p.m. at Green Meadows Park

See the Summer Activities Brochure on the city website for more information.



Visit SandVenture Aquatic Park

SandVenture Aquatic Park, 1101 Adams St., features a zero-depth, sand-bottom pool, water slides, diving board, concession stand and bathhouse. It also offers tot times and swimming lessons.

HOURS

11 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily through Aug. 20

ADMISSION

\$5 for guests under 48 inches and seniors
\$7 for guests over 48 inches

- Twilight discounts (\$2 off) after 5 p.m.
- Season passes and punch cards available

SPECIAL EVENTS

- Father/Mother's Day Special (June 17)
- Celebrate the Red, White and Blue (July 4)
- Half-Way, Half-Pay Day (July 10)
- Carnival Splashtacular (Aug. 4)
- Treasure Hunt Bash (Aug. 20)

REGISTER NOW FOR Jack-o-Lantern 5K, Kids Pumpkin Run



Saturday, Oct. 28 | Shakopee Community Center | Prices increase Oct. 1
Registration open at www.ShakopeeMN.gov/registration "Jacko2017"

It's time to dive in

Community Center indoor aquatic center set to open in early July

Grab your gym bag. Pull your yoga mat from the closet. Squeeze into your swimsuit. It's time to check out the newly renovated Shakopee Community Center!

The \$30.4 million Community Center and Ice Arena expansion project will wrap up this month with the centerpiece – the indoor aquatic park – set to open in early July. The new fitness center and fitness studios are already open.

The city is planning a grand re-opening celebration Sunday, Sept. 10. But don't wait until then to see everything the facility has to offer. Here are some of the great amenities you can enjoy as a member or with daily admission.

DAILY USER FEES

	Resident	Non-Resident
Youth (Age 5 -17)	\$5	\$6.50
Adult (18 - 59)	\$7	\$8.50
Senior (60 & older)	\$5	\$6.50
Military	\$5	\$6.50
Walking Track	Free	Free
Skate Park	Free	Free

All users must present a valid picture ID. To qualify for the resident rate, you must reside within Shakopee city limits.

HOURS

Monday - Friday	5:30 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Saturday	8 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Sunday	10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Extended hours beginning September 2017.



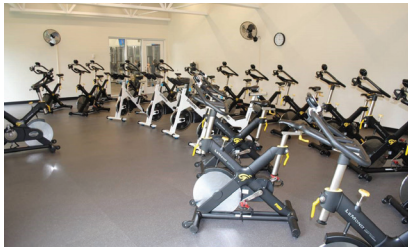
FITNESS CENTER

The fitness center features brand new cardio and weight equipment. The center overlooks the indoor aquatic center. It offers televisions and Wi-Fi.

ADMISSION: INCLUDED IN DAILY ADMISSION OR MEMBERSHIP

HOURS: OPEN DURING CC HOURS

OPEN TO PUBLIC: OPENED MAY 15



FITNESS & SPINNING STUDIOS

The Community Center has three new fitness studios. One studio will be used exclusively for cycling classes.

ADMISSION: INCLUDED IN DAILY ADMISSION OR MEMBERSHIP

HOURS: SEE FITNESS CLASS SCHEDULE

OPEN TO PUBLIC: OPENED MAY 15



INDOOR PLAYGROUND

The indoor playground will feature a variety of play elements for ages 10 and under. The playground is available to members, as well as the community for a daily fee.

ADMISSION: \$5/PER CHILD; INCLUDED IN FAMILY MEMBERSHIP

HOURS: OPEN DURING CC HOURS

OPENS TO PUBLIC: JUNE 16



INDOOR AQUATIC CENTER

The indoor aquatic center includes a zero-entry leisure pool with water slide and water features; lap pool; sauna and whirlpool; men's, women's and family locker rooms with showers; swimming lessons; and more.

ADMISSION: INCLUDED IN DAILY ADMISSION OR MEMBERSHIP

HOURS: OPEN DURING CC HOURS; CHECK SCHEDULE FOR OPEN SWIM TIMES

OPEN TO PUBLIC: EARLY JULY



DROP-IN CHILD CARE

The drop-in child care facility will be available for children ages 6 months to 7 years. Located adjacent to the indoor playground, the facility will include arts and crafts, games, toys and other activities.

ADMISSION: \$3.50/PER HOUR FOR MEMBERS; \$4.50/PER HOUR FOR NON-MEMBERS (2 HOUR MAX)

HOURS: SEE SCHEDULE

OPEN TO PUBLIC: EARLY JULY



BIRTHDAY PARTY ROOMS

The Community Center has two party rooms, located adjacent to the gymnasium and pool. The facility also has a conference room, multipurpose rooms, Community Room and teen center available for rent. Costs vary.

RENTAL: \$30 + SALES TAX/HOUR (PARTY ROOMS)

BIRTHDAY PARTY PACKAGES: START AT \$150

HOURS: AVAILABLE FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVED

OPEN TO PUBLIC: EARLY JULY



ENGIMA TEEN CENTER

The teen center is located adjacent to the Community Room and fitness center. It will feature games, televisions, video consoles, pool tables, ping pong, air hockey and special events. The Enigma teen advisory board will reconvene in the fall.

ADMISSION: FREE FOR TEENS (6TH-12TH GRADE); SPECIAL EVENT ADMISSION

HOURS: 3 P.M. TO HALF-HOUR BEFORE CC CLOSING

OPEN TO PUBLIC: SEPTEMBER

Check out the summer 2017 Parks and Recreation Activities Brochure for all the city's summer programming. Available online at www.ShakopeeMN.gov/currentbrochure



SHAKOPEE GIRLS BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

www.shakopeebasketball.com

All dates are subject to change based on gym availability. Please check website for updated information. For additional information contact Todd Bieniek, SGBA president, at sgbapres@gmail.com or Heather Halverson, SGBA VP, In-House at sgbainhouse@gmail.com. Like the Shakopee Girls Basketball Association on Facebook and follow on Twitter for updates.

GRADES 1-2 IN-HOUSE

This program is an introduction to basketball. A strong emphasis on fundamentals in a fun and non-competitive atmosphere. Teams will be formed and 3-on-3 games will be incorporated. Volunteer coaches are needed and all coaches will receive training. Skills training will take place during the season.

Various Shakopee Elementary Schools

Day	Dates	Grade	Cost
Tues & Sat (Possible Thurs if needed)	Sept. 23-Nov. 28	1-2	\$80 Thru Sept. 8 \$95 after Sept. 8 \$12 Mandatory Practice Jersey (reusable) \$200/Family Fundraiser Deposit

GRADES 3-4 IN-HOUSE

Fundamentals will continue to be the focus. Emphasis on shooting, dribbling, passing, pivoting, spacing and building a good basketball IQ. Volunteer coaches are needed. 4-on-4 games will be played in a non-competitive atmosphere but will be refereed and scores will be kept. Skills training will take place during the season. A year-end tournament is included.

Various Shakopee Elementary Schools

Day	Dates	Grade	Cost
Mon & Sat (Possible Thurs if needed)	Sept. 25-Dec. 9	3-4	\$80 Thru Sept. 8 \$95 after Sept. 8 \$12 Mandatory Practice Jersey (reusable) \$200/Family Fundraiser Deposit



HUBER PARK

PERFORMANCE & EVENTS SERIES

2017

JUNE

- June 1 5-7 PM **Wheelies Family Bike Event**
7 PM **Brian Richards Magic**
- June 8 7 PM **The Castaways**
- June 17 5-8 PM **Big Fun Day**
6:30 PM **The Splatter Sisters**
SUNSET **Movie in the Park***
- June 22 6:30 PM **Harmonica Lessons**
7 PM **Everett Smithson**
- June 29 7 PM **Tricia and The Toonies**

JULY

- July 13 7 PM **Perfectly Frank (Sinatra)**
- July 20 7 PM **Wendy's Wiggle, Jiggle & Jam!**
- July 27 7 PM **Prior Lake Windjammers**
- July 29 SUNSET **Movie in the Park***

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- Aug 10 7 PM **The Percolators**
- Aug 17 7 PM **Twin Cities Sax Quartet**
- Aug 24 7 PM **RVTC Theatre**
'The Great American Talent Show'
- Aug 31 6:30 PM **Rain Make Up**

SEPT

- Sept 7 6:30 PM **Rain Make Up**
- Sept 9 SUNSET **Movie in the Park***

FREE

◆ **FAMILY FRIENDLY** ◆

ENTERTAINMENT

AT HUBER PARK

150 Fillmore St. N.



Performance Events: Thursdays | Movie Events: Saturdays | Schedule subject to change

*Movie rain site is the Shakopee Community Center. Check the City website two weeks prior for movie title.

www.ShakopeeMN.gov | (P) (952) 233-9500 | Weather Hotline (952) 233-9502



2016 Night to Unite Photo Contest Winner Jessica Imholte



Shakopee Police Department Presents:

NIGHT to UNITE!
Neighbors Joining Together

**Aug. 1, 2017
5-9 p.m.**



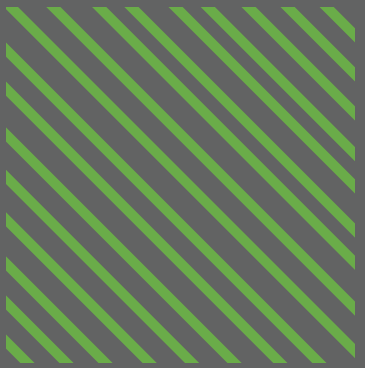
Four ways to register:

1. Online at www.ShakopeeMN.gov/nighttounite
2. Stop by the Police Department
3. Call 952-233-9441
4. Visit the police booth:
 - International Festival at Huber Park, June 23 5-8 p.m.
 - Pop-Splash Pad at Community Center, July 14 5-7 p.m.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: July 14, 2017



2016 Night to Unite Photo Contest Third Place Jen Schleck



2016 Night to Unite Photo Contest Second Place Kenzie Hergott

**NIGHT TO UNITE
PHOTO CONTEST**



WATCH THE POLICE DEPARTMENT'S
FACEBOOK PAGE FOR MORE INFORMATION.

Registration opens June 1

REQUIRED FOR VISITS FROM
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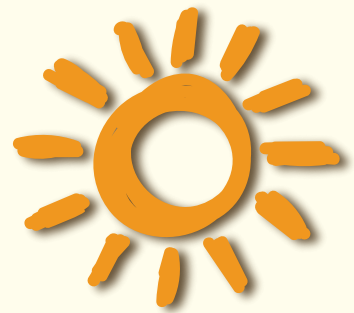
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Saturday, June 17 ❄️ Huber Park ❄️ **FREE!**

Big FUN Day!



Kick off summer in a BIG way with fun activities from 5 to 8 p.m.
followed by an outdoor movie in the band shell.



Splash Pad ❄️ Giant Slip-n-Slide ❄️ Water Relays & Games ❄️ Food Carts ❄️ Balloon Art
Bounce Houses ❄️ The Splatter Sisters (6:30 p.m.) ❄️ Movie in the Park (8:30 p.m.)

