



CIRCLE PINES

City News

Celebrating 75 Years

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August 2025

Recycling/Clean Up Day Saturday, August 23 8 a.m.-Noon 760 Civic Heights Drive Public Works Facility

Before the weather gets colder, it is time to clean out the garages and yards. One way to get rid of your items is to bring them to Recycling/Clean Up Day on Saturday, August 24 from 8 a.m. to noon at the public works facility located at 760 Civic Heights Drive.

Everything will be accepted **except** for household hazardous waste, weekly curbside recyclables, and yard waste. Some items may have a fee.

ALL RECYCLABLE Items are FREE

- appliances
- electronics
- tires
- shredding
- bulbs
- batteries

GARBAGE

Items will also be taken for a fee..

Car load \$10

Truck load \$30

Trailer load \$40

Larger than a trailer \$50

General Municipal Election Candidate Filing Information

Offices on the ballot for the November 4 municipal election are Mayor (two-year term) and two City Council seats (four-year terms). You may file for candidacy at City Hall from July 29- to August 12. The cost for filing is \$2.00.

The last day to withdraw from candidacy is August 14.



75TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

AUGUST 1-2

2025

Information Enclosed



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Non-Emergency

Police: 763-784-2501

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In an emergency, please call 911.

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August Public Meetings

City Council

08/12 & 08/26 7 p.m.

Park Board

08/05 6 p.m.

Utilities Commission

08/26 5 p.m.

Planning Commission

08/18 7 p.m.

You can also view the latest Council meeting at any time on the internet on the City Website at www.ci.circle-pines.mn.us. Click on City Council meeting video on demand.

Healthy LAWN-CARE

YOU WANT: a beautiful, healthy lawn and yard that is safe for your kids and pets, but you don't want to spend a lot of money and you don't have a lot of time.

WE ALL WANT: healthy yards that support pollinators, birds and wildlife; clean water in wetlands, lakes, rivers and groundwater drinking sources; enough for future generations.

5 CHEAP TRICKS

1 Smart [1"] SPRINKLING

LAWNS ONLY NEED 1in OF WATER PER WEEK INCLUDING RAIN = About 20mins 2x per week.
Turn off your automatic sprinkler system and only turn it on when you need it OR install a rain sensor THAT WORKS!

USE Free 2 FERTILIZER

LEAVE GRASS CLIPPINGS ON THE LAWN.



Fertilization 1x per year around labor day. Sweep up any grass clippings or fertilizer that fall on streets and sidewalks to keep them out of the storm drain.



Lawn doesn't need to be mown as often during dry spells.

Mow BETTER!

MOW HIGH – AT LEAST 3" 4
Taller grass has deeper roots, needs less water, and is more resistant to weeds.



5 LEARN TO Love THE WEEDS

DANDELIONS, CLOVER AND CREEPING CHARLIE PROVIDE EARLY SEASON NECTAR FOR BEES AND POLLINATORS

Historically, lawns have had a mix of species, including clover and creeping thyme.

If you use herbicide, spot treat only instead of spraying your whole lawn.



GO Beyond THE LAWN! EXTRA CREDIT

CHALLENGE YOURSELF TO REPLACE PARTS OF YOUR LAWN YOU DON'T USE WITH NATIVE PLANTS, SHRUBS, AND GARDENS. More beauty, more pollinator and wildlife habitat, less stormwater runoff pollution.

Learn more at: www.mnwcd.org



Keep Golden Lake Clean: Smart Lawn Care for Clean Water

Traditional lawn care practices—like frequent mowing, using too much fertilizer, or leaving grass clippings on sidewalks—can send nutrients (like phosphorus) and debris into storm drains that flow directly to the lake. This runoff fuels algae blooms and harms water quality. To help keep Golden Lake clean—and protect other waterways in your city—consider skipping fertilizer, always sweep up grass clippings from hard surfaces, and mow less often to encourage deeper roots and healthier grass.

Many Circle Pines residents are already going above and beyond for clean water—want to join them? Try low-mow or no-mow grass mixes that require less water and mowing. Better yet, swap out some of your lawn for native plants, which soak up stormwater, support wildlife, and add beauty to your yard. Every small change adds up—smart lawn care keeps your lakes cleaner, your community healthier, and your yard more resilient to drought and heavy rain. Learn more at the MPCA Turf Grass Maintenance page, <https://www.pca.state.mn.us/business-with-us/turf-grass-maintenance-training> or RCWD's webpage, <https://www.ricecreek.org/get-involved/residents/>

Library News Centennial Branch

It seems like fall is just around the corner, but there is still plenty of time to enjoy our Minnesota summer, as well as time at your library. With that in mind, here is what's happening this August:

Summer Adventures: GLOBAL TREK

This year, the Anoka County Library Summer Adventures Program runs June 1-August 16. People of all ages can participate in the program by tracking their minutes, sharing book reviews, and engaging in activities that foster STEM, art, literacy, and community engagement.

The primary way to participate is by registering on "Beanstack" (<https://anokacounty.beanstack.org>). Kids and teens (under 18) receive a free book after recording just five hours or reading. There will also be prize drawings throughout the summer for participating, so make sure to track minutes and record the activities. Even better, send a "Friend" request to a family member or friend and compete and compare your reading and activities together! Adults, you can win prizes too! For more information, pick up your "Passport to Adventure" at a library, then travel to all eight locations to get it stamped! We're celebrating Rapa Nui at Centennial, so come learn about the island and its giant Moai statues.

Storytimes

Storytimes have started and will run through August 14. Come join us for:

Toddler Storytimes are Tuesdays at 11:15 a.m.; this session is designed for children between ages 2-3.

Family Storytimes are Thursdays at 11:15 a.m.; any age is welcome to these sessions.

Children

Read to a Dog. Monday, August 11, Noon-2 p.m. Children are invited to practice their reading skills in 15-minute sessions with licensed, trained therapy dogs. Program geared towards grades K-3. Registration is required. Please call the Centennial Library at 763-324-1540 to register.

Everyone

Traditional Music from Mexico by Torres-Peña. Monday, August 4, 2 p.m.-3 p.m. This program is intended for all ages. Enjoy a lively musical performance by Torres-Peña. Torres and Donna Peña play a varied program of old Mexican traditional songs, along with songs taken from Mexican pop and music halls, love songs, and adaptations of American Pop. Bring a blanket to sit on and enjoy the show. Registration is required. The program will be outside weather permitting.

Growing Green Hearts: Garden Design. Thursday, August 21, 4:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m. This month we again welcome educator Heidi Ferris back to the library to continue our program where we learn about native prairie plants. Join us this month as we learn about garden design. This is a hands-on program, where participants will work together every month to learn and grow the plants, eventually planting them at the library this summer. This program is intended for all ages; school-aged children, families, teens, and adults will work together.

Adults

Centennial Bookclub for Adults. Monday, August 25, 6:45 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Interested in trying out a new book group? Join us for the Centennial Book Club! Drop in for a favorite book discussion or become a regular member. This month's book is the Stephen King short story collection *You Like It Darker*.

Closings and Holidays

The library will be closed Saturday, August 30 through Monday, September 1 for the Labor Day Holiday.

Current hours:

Centennial's hours of operation are:

Monday: 11 a.m.-7 p.m.

Tuesday: 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Wednesday: 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Thursday: 11 a.m.-7 p.m.

Friday: 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Saturday: 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Sunday: Closed



Brady Perl
August 7, 7-8:30 pm

Brady is an American singer-songwriter performing modern and traditional Americana music based out of the Twin Cities. His great-grandfather built violins/ fiddles, his grandparents owned the first musical night club on Lake Minnetonka in the 1940s, and his uncle was a professional drummer by the age of about 13 before being drafted in the Vietnam War, making Brady a 4th generation musician. Performing professionally for over 15 years, Brady Perl is an award-winning local musician, delivering high quality and original material.

The Salsa del Soul Sextet (feat. Frank Rivery)
August 21, 7-8:30 pm

Salsa del Soul is a Twin Cities-based ensemble performing various styles of dance music from the Spanish-speaking regions of the Caribbean. Salsa del Soul was formed with the purpose of providing great dance music for Twin Cities Salsa fans. The musicians represent some of the finest talents in the Twin Cities Latin music scene. The style of music they perform includes Son, Son Montuno, Plena, Cha-cha-cha, Bachata, Merengue, Timba and of course Salsa.