



CIRCLE PINES *City News*

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October 2025

Centennial Fire Department's Halloween Night

Join Us for a Hauntingly Good Time!
This Halloween night October 31st from 6-8:30 p.m., we're opening the doors of both our fire stations for trick-or-treating.

Station #1
2 East Road - Circle Pines

Station #3
1880 Main Street - Centerville

Dress up in your favorite costumes and trick-or-treat with the heroes of the Centennial Fire Department! Grab some delicious candy, and pick up some handy fire safety tips along the way.

We're excited to see your creative costumes and share in the Halloween excitement.



Leaf Pick-up

Leaf pick-up is scheduled for **Saturday, October 18 and Saturday, November 1**. Please place your compostable bags of leaves at the curb before 6 a.m. on the date of the pick-up.

General Local Election November 4 7 a.m.-8 p.m.

Voting on Election Day

Precinct 1: If you live north of Lake Drive you will vote at St. Mark Church located at 1 North Road

Precinct 2: If you live south of Lake Drive you will vote at City Hall located at 200 Civic Heights Circle

Who is on the Ballot?

Mayor
(1 seat 2-year term)
Matt Percy

City Council
(2 seats 4-year term)
Meagan Bachmayer
John Burns
Nici Dorner

Vote In Person Absentee

If you would like to vote **absentee in person**, you will need to go to City Hall located at 200 Civic Heights Circle, Circle Pines, MN

Friday, September 19-Friday, October 31
Monday-Friday 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Saturday, November 1st 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
Monday, November 3rd 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Voting by mail

1. Go to www.mnvotes.org
2. Click on Other Ways to Vote
3. Click on Vote Early by mail.

There will be the information on how to vote by mail. Your first step is to fill out the application for absentee ballot.

Once you have cast a ballot by mail, you can track your ballot and confirm that it was received and counted.

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October Public Meetings

City Council
10/14 & 10/28 7 p.m.

Park Board
10/07 6:30 p.m.

Utilities Commission
10/28 5 p.m.

Planning Commission
10/20 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.

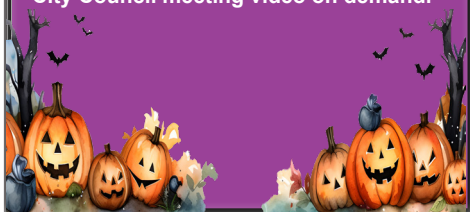
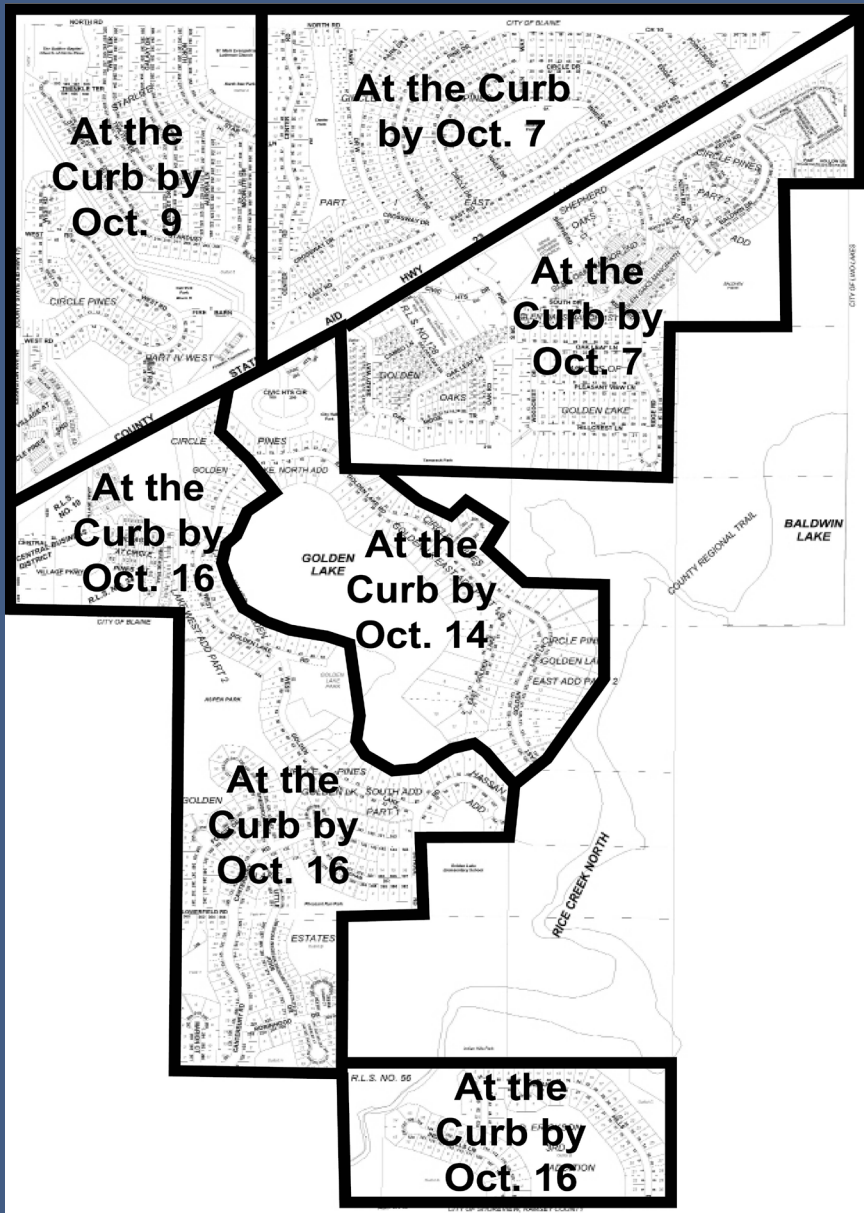
City of Circle Pines Fall Wood Chipping Schedule October 6-17

The Circle Pines Parks Staff will be chipping tree and shrub limbs that are left at the curbside by residents throughout the community.

Please see the schedule for scheduled pick-up in your area, limbs MUST be placed at curbside before the date indicated on the map. The parks crew will not return for late piles.

All limbs should be placed in neatly stacked piles with the cut ends toward the street. Twigs less than one foot in length must be bundled or placed in a container so the bundle can be dumped into the chipper. There will be no charge for the first pile with a MAXIMUM size of 3' x 5' x 5'. Any piles over this maximum size will require \$15 in solid waste stickers. Each \$15 in stickers will provide for the removal of one additional 3' x 5' x 5' pile. These piles must be kept separate.

The parks crew will use a chipper to dispose of the limbs. Please, no stumps or branches larger than six inches in diameter.



Library News Centennial Branch

October has always been a month of transformation. Whether it's the ever-growing shadows, color changing leaves, or cooling weather, we are definitely in the thick of fall. We always hope things don't change too quickly, and we get to truly enjoy this season of transition. With that in mind, here are some of what is happening at your library during October.

Storytimes

Storytimes have started and will run through December 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.

Youth

Intro to Comedy for Youth. Wednesday, October 22, 4 p.m. - 5:45 p.m.

This program is intended for youth in grades 3rd-5th grade. Everyone can tell a joke. Jokes can contain a microcosm of art, culture, and human experience and, when done right, a joke causes an involuntary shared human experience: laughter. This workshop will introduce students to comedy writing and comedy performance through numerous dynamic examples and critical discussion. This program is funded by the Minnesota Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund

Adults

Centennial Bookclub for Adults. Monday, October 27, 6:45 p.m.-8 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 Life Impossible* by Matt Haig.

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

Leaves

Leaf litter and grass clippings left on street and sidewalk are one of the contributors to algal blooms in our lakes. When algae dies it decomposes at the bottom of our waterbodies and uses up oxygen that fish and native plants need.

Tips for residents:

- Rake the leaves that have accumulated along your curb, sidewalk, alley, etc. Consider organizing a community clean up for water quality to help others.
- Don't put your leaves in the trash (it's illegal) and don't burn them. Burning leaves releases lots of air pollution.
- Put your leaves in a backyard compost pile or bring them to a compost facility.
- Use leaves to mulch your garden and lawn. This helps your soil and reduces weeds.
- If available, consider curbside pick-up by your garbage hauler.

Halloween Safety Tips

- Trick-or-Treaters need to see and be seen. Use face makeup instead of masks.
- Use Flame-resistant costumes.
- When choosing costumes, stay away from long trailing fabric.
- Walk, don't run.
- Only visit homes with a porch light on. Accept treats at the door and never go inside.
- A grown-up should check all goodies before eating. Make sure to remove loose candy, open packages and remove any choking hazards. Discard any items with brand names that you are not familiar with.



We want to hear from you!

Circle Pines is creating an Environmental Stewardship Plan to outline how our community will take care of our shared natural resources and environment — land, water, air, and wildlife. Share what matters most to you in our short survey for your chance to win a \$50 Visa gift card.

