



# City of Burnsville

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### Burnsville Bulletin

Comments and questions about this issue of the Burnsville Bulletin can be sent by mail to the Communications Department, by phone to 952-895-4402 or email to [marty.doll@ci.burnsville.mn.us](mailto:marty.doll@ci.burnsville.mn.us).

### Parking Notice

Overnight parking on City streets is not allowed from 2 to 6 a.m.

### City Meetings

#### City Council

First and third Tuesdays of the month after the first Monday

#### City Council Work Sessions

Second Tuesday of the month after the first Monday

#### Planning Commission

Second and fourth Monday of the month

#### Parks and Natural Resources Commission

First Monday of the month

#### Economic Development Commission

Second Wednesday of odd-numbered months

#### Ames Center Commission

Fourth Wednesday of every quarter

Meetings are subject to change and cancelation. Unless noted, all meetings will be televised on Burnsville Civic Channel 16 and streamed live at [www.burnsville.org/meetings](http://www.burnsville.org/meetings).

## Local Government Can't Work Without People Like You!

### Take an Active Role on an Advisory Commission

The City Council is once again looking for residents interested in serving on City advisory commissions. Whether you are interested in future planning and development – or your expertise lies in parks and the environment – there is a commission for you.

Openings are available on:

#### Ames Center Advisory Commission:

Reviews, researches and makes recommendations on issues related to the operation of the Ames Center.

#### Design Review Committee (Heart of the City):

Assists the City Council and staff in the design review of all developments within the Heart of the City (HOC).

#### Economic Development Commission:

Advises on economic development and business development issues.

#### Parks and Natural Resources Commission:

Reviews and makes recommendations on issues related to park, recreation and open space needs of the community and protection of Burnsville's natural resources.

#### Planning Commission:

Reviews, researches and makes recommendations on issues related to land use and development.

All terms begin July 1, 2014 and are open to Burnsville residents 18 and older. Youth commission appointments are open to any Burnsville resident that will be a high school junior or senior in the fall of 2014. Membership on certain commissions is allowed to non-residents who own a business or property in Burnsville.

The application deadline is **Friday, May 2, 2014 at 4:30 p.m.** The City Council will conduct interviews for appointments in mid- to late-May.

For more information or to download an application visit [www.burnsville.org/commissions](http://www.burnsville.org/commissions).



Burnsville's Economic Development Commission works on business development issues.

## Two City Council Seats Up for Election in 2014

### Filing for Candidates Open May 20 – June 3



This November, Burnsville residents will have the opportunity to vote – or even run – for two City Council positions during the General Election.

Candidates interested in running for one of these two positions can file an affidavit for candidacy beginning Tuesday, May 20 through Tuesday, June 3.

Affidavits are available through the City Clerk's Office at

Burnsville City Hall, 100 Civic Center Parkway, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday during the filing period. (The City Clerk's Office will accept affidavits until **5 p.m. on Tuesday, June 3.**)

To file for City Council, candidates must be eligible to vote in Minnesota, be at least 21 years old when assuming office and be a Burnsville resident. A \$5 filing fee will be assessed. Affidavits will not be accepted on Monday, May 26 when City offices are closed for Memorial Day.

For more information contact the Office of the City Clerk at 952-895-4490 or email [macheal.collins@ci.burnsville.mn.us](mailto:macheal.collins@ci.burnsville.mn.us).

### Burnsville City Council:

<b>Elizabeth Kautz</b>	Mayor
<b>Bill Coughlin</b>	Council Member
<b>Dan Kealey</b>	Council Member
<b>Suzanne Nguyen</b>	Council Member
<b>Mary Sherry</b>	Council Member

**City Manager:**  
Heather Johnston

**Mayor/City Council  
Message Center:**  
**952-895-4403**

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[council@ci.burnsville.mn.us](mailto:council@ci.burnsville.mn.us)

**Internet:**  
[www.burnsville.org](http://www.burnsville.org)

**Cable Television:**  
Burnsville Community Television  
[www.burnsville.tv](http://www.burnsville.tv)

**Social Media:**  
[facebook.com/cityofburnsville](https://facebook.com/cityofburnsville)  
[twitter.com/burnsvillemn](https://twitter.com/burnsvillemn)  
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### Election Judges Needed

The City of Burnsville is seeking residents interested in serving as election judges in the upcoming August Primary and November General Elections. Election judges are paid \$9 per hour (including training) and must meet the following qualifications:

- Eligible to vote in Minnesota
- Able to speak, read and write the English language
- Cannot be a spouse, parent, child or sibling of an election judge serving in the same precinct
- Cannot be a candidate or the spouse, parent, child or sibling of any candidate on the ballot in the same precinct

With advance notice, employers are required by law to allow employees time off to serve as election judges.

For more information visit [www.burnsville.org/elections](http://www.burnsville.org/elections)



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# City of Burnsville to Celebrate 50<sup>th</sup> Year



On Aug. 23, 1961, Township of Burnsville residents learned that their neighbor to the north – the City of Bloomington – had voted to annex the township’s largest source of tax revenue, the Black Dog Power Plant.

Two days later, nearly 500 Burnsville residents flocked to the town hall to protest what many described as a “land grab” that would have a significant impact on Burnsville and northern Dakota County.

Over the next two-and-a-half years, the “Battle for Black Dog” waged on in courtrooms – until April 1964, when the Minnesota Supreme Court ruled in favor of Burnsville. Two months later, Burnsville officially became an incorporated village.

While Burnsville’s history goes back much farther than the 1960s annexation attempt, a lot has changed in just the last 50 years – including a growth in population from 10,700 in 1964 to more than 60,000 in 2014.

To commemorate its 50th year as a city, the City of Burnsville is working with community partners – including the Burnsville Historical Society – to plan 50th-themed events throughout the year.



Residents gather outside the first Burnsville Town Hall in 1961 to protest annexation attempts by Bloomington.

To kick off the year-long celebration, the Mayor and Burnsville City Council will officially proclaim 2014 as the City of Burnsville’s “50th Anniversary” at its May 20 City Council Meeting.

In June, during “I Love Burnsville Week,” the annual Friday Fest festivities will be themed to 1964 – including a showing of “Mary Poppins” (which came out that same year) during the “Flicks on the Bricks” outdoor movie. [For more information on “I Love Burnsville Week” see page 3.]

The theme will be carried throughout Burnsville’s summer events, with a final celebration planned for the Burnsville Fire Muster, Sept. 4–7.

The City of Burnsville is seeking photographs or City-related items or documents from the 1960s. If you are a resident who has lived in Burnsville since 1964 (or longer), we also want to hear from you. Contact [marty.doll@ci.burnsville.mn.us](mailto:marty.doll@ci.burnsville.mn.us) or 952-895-4402.



Pictured above from a newspaper clipping are members of Burnsville’s Village Council after the November 1964 election. From left, Council Secretary Deanne Anderson; Clerk Michael O’Connor; Trustee Warren Kelly; Mayor Roger Richardson; Trustee Ray Connelly; Trustee Charles Wahlberg. [Not pictured is trustee William Dolan, who was elected to the first Village Council after incorporation in July 1964, but was defeated by Wahlberg in the November election.]

## Burnsville Historical Society Plans 1939 Exhibit

### Exhibit to Also Celebrate City of Burnsville’s 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary



Most people like a quiz, so here goes —

1. When did regular TV broadcasts begin in the United States?
2. What year were the movies “Gone with the Wind” and “The Wizard of Oz” released?
3. When did Glen Miller’s song “Midnight Serenade” become popular?
4. What year was the World’s Fair “World of Tomorrow” featured in New York?

Perhaps you could use a hint?

The Burnsville Historical Society will present its annual public

exhibit **May 8 through June 15** at the Ames Center in the Heart of the City. This year’s theme is “Burnsville’s Attic – 1939.”

“Often we think of an attic as a place to store things that are special to us,” said Len Nachman, president of the Burnsville Historical Society. “Our goal is to give the public some idea about what life was like in Burnsville in 1939, including what a typical home and school room would look like.”

According to Nachman, the Historical Society chose 1939 because it was an important year in history – the country was moving from the Great Depression into a war economy and was seeing changes in its workforce and lifestyles.

Besides local artifacts to highlight Burnsville in 1939, the exhibit will include murals – painted by local artists and

volunteers – that will feature scenes from Burnsville during this time period.

In addition to looking back to 1939, the exhibit will also honor the years when Burnsville struggled for incorporation as a City.

“The City of Burnsville will celebrate its 50th year as an official city this year,” said Nachman. “We are excited to include a display that highlights this important time in Burnsville’s history.”

\*Oh, and by the way, the answer is the same for all four questions in the quiz: 1939!

Watch for exhibit updates throughout the community. For more information visit [www.burnsvillehistory.org](http://www.burnsvillehistory.org) or contact Nachman at 952-890-4162 or at [lennachman@aol.com](mailto:lennachman@aol.com).

### Historical Society Needs Your Help!

The Burnsville Historical Society is asking for the public’s help for its upcoming exhibit. Volunteers are needed to help with painting and set design.

The Society is also looking for items from the 1930s such as:

- Common kitchen items
- Clothing
- Photographs, including one of Burnsville classrooms/students
- Household goods, including a phonograph, thermos and lunch pail
- Toys, including a bicycle and wagon
- Furniture, including a kitchen table and two chairs, a living room overstuffed chair, end table, floor lamp and a wall clock
- Teacher’s school desk and assorted school items
- 1939 Minnesota license plates
- Mannequins of adult female, adult male and a child
- Anything else from the era!

Contact [lennachman@aol.com](mailto:lennachman@aol.com) or call 952-890-4162 if you are willing to loan any of these items.

## Find and Sell Treasures During Community-Wide Garage Sale

Sale Dates Set for May 16–17



You never know what you’ll be able to find — or sell!

Ready to do some spring cleaning? Turn your trash (sorry – your “slightly used items”) into cash at Burnsville’s sixth-annual Community-Wide Garage Sale.

Participating households will be provided a sale number, listing on a map and signs to promote their sale. Maps listing all registered garage sales will be available at Burnsville City Hall, Burnsville Ice Center, Birnamwood Golf Course, the Maintenance Center, Burnhaven Library and online at [www.burnsville.org/garagesale](http://www.burnsville.org/garagesale).

Shoppers — simply venture out on the sale dates to find items of interest! Sellers — please register in order to receive signs and a listing on the map.

Register your sale online at [www.burnsville.org/garagesale](http://www.burnsville.org/garagesale) or by calling 952-895-4500.

**Sale Dates:** Friday and Saturday, May 16-17  
**Registration Deadline:** Friday, April 25  
**Registration Cost:** \$20 per household

# Where is the Love? In Burnsville, Of Course!

I Love Burnsville Week May 31 – June 7



Love will once again be in the air during the eighth-annual “I Love Burnsville Week,” with a number of opportunities to celebrate the community with friends, family and neighbors.

## I Love Sports...

Sports enthusiasts can enjoy activities such as **Adult Tennis ‘Play Day,’** (May 31) an **Introduction to Pickleball** (June 2), a **mountain bike race** at Buck Hill (June 5), an all-ages **golf tournament** at Birnamwood Golf Course (June 6) and the **I Love Burnsville 5K run** (June 7).



Pickleball players of all skill levels try their hand at the popular racquet game.

## I Love Creativity...

Those who want to tap into their creative side can film a video for the **I Love Burnsville Video Contest**. Burnsville’s third-graders are invited to submit an essay for the **I Love Burnsville Essay Contest**. Children ages 10 and under (and their grownups) can jam along to music and poetry at the **Rhythm & Words Festival** at the Ames Center (June 7).

## I Love Entertainment...

Want to just sit back, relax and enjoy a show? **Friday Fest** (June 6) has you covered. Burnsville’s 50th anniversary will be the theme in Nicollet Commons Park with entertainment, food and movies. The winning videos from the I Love Burnsville Video Contest will be shown as well as a special screening of “Mary Poppins” (the movie is also celebrating its 50th year).

## I Love Being Social...

Social butterflies should check out the **YMCA senior open house** (June 4) and the **Senior Center’s ice cream social** (June 5). The Burnsville Historical Society will also offer a **History Session** (June 7) where community members can hear about how the city has changed in the last 50 years.



Kids can shake, rattle and drum at the Rhythm & Words Festival.

## I Love the Environment...

Don’t forget to drop off those old refrigerators and computers at the annual **Spring Appliance and Electronics Drop-Off** (June 7). [More information below.]

Share your love about the events you attend by using #bvillelove on Facebook and Twitter! View a complete schedule of events at [www.burnsville.org/love](http://www.burnsville.org/love).



## 2014 Burnsville Garden & Landscape Contest

Spring is just around the corner, and the Burnsville Convention & Visitors Bureau is getting ready for its 2014 Burnsville Garden & Landscape Contest.

Residents and businesses are encouraged to get those gardens growing! Starting during “I Love Burnsville Week” (June 1), Burnsville residents and businesses can send in nominations for the city’s best gardens and landscapes.

### Categories include:

- Single Family Dwellings
- Apartment Complexes
- Townhouse Complexes/Associations
- Condo Associations
- Neighborhoods
- Burnsville Businesses

This is the Convention & Visitors Bureau’s third year coordinating this contest, which was started as a way to reward those who help keep the community looking beautiful. Nominations close on June 30.

Share the beauty by nominating someone who keeps the community looking great! Get additional contest rules and information at [www.BurnsvilleMN.com/Garden-Contest.cfm](http://www.BurnsvilleMN.com/Garden-Contest.cfm).



The winning yard in the 2013 residential category – James R. Losenicky and William T. Panos; 1100 block of Knob Hill Road.

## Spring Appliance & Electronics Drop-Off

I Love Burnsville Week – Saturday, June 7



Recycle refrigerators, TVs, computers and more at the Spring Appliance & Electronics Drop-Off during “I Love Burnsville Week.”

### ACCEPTED ITEMS:

- Washers, dryers, ovens, microwaves, refrigerators, freezers, dishwashers, dehumidifiers, air conditioners water heaters and water softeners (No Charge)
- Computer monitors and televisions (\$10-\$20)
- Residential electronics such as computers, stereos and DVD players (\$5)
- Mattresses or box springs; any condition but must be dry (\$9)
- Scrap metal such as lawn mowers, snow blowers and power tools. All fuel and oil must be drained. (No Charge)
- Bicycles in any condition; will be refurbished and donated (No Charge)



Recycle appliances and electronics at the spring drop-off on June 7.

### NOT ACCEPTED:

Hazardous waste (such as aerosols, household batteries, cleaners, paint, light bulbs, pesticides, etc.), furniture, construction materials, vacuum cleaners and tires. These products can be taken to the Recycling Zone in Eagan. [More information on page 5.]

For a full list of accepted items visit [www.DakotaValleyRecycling.org](http://www.DakotaValleyRecycling.org).

**When:** Saturday, June 7, 2014, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.  
**Where:** Burnsville Maintenance Center, 13713 Frontier Court  
**Cost:** Small, per-item fee. **Cash or check only**

Bulky Item Curbside Collection in June.  
 Provided by Certified Recycling.  
 More information at [www.DakotaValleyRecycling.org](http://www.DakotaValleyRecycling.org)

### Bulky Item Landfill Coupon

Clip out and bring this I Love Burnsville disposal coupon to the Burnsville Sanitary Landfill to drop off one pickup truck load of bulky items for FREE!

**When:** During business hours from May 31 to Dec. 31, 2014  
**Hours:** Monday – Friday: 7 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.  
 Saturday: 8 a.m. – Noon  
**Where:** Burnsville Sanitary Landfill, 2650 West Cliff Road

**Items Accepted:** No charge to Burnsville residents for: mattresses, furniture, carpeting, windows, doors and small amounts of lumber.

**Burnsville Driver’s License required. LIMITED TO ONE PICKUP TRUCK LOAD.**

**Items NOT Accepted:** No hazardous or yard waste at the landfill. No appliances or electronics accepted as a part of this promotion.

Expires 12/31/14. One per household. No copies or reproductions accepted. Burnsville residents only. Businesses are not eligible.

Questions? Call City of Burnsville Recycling at 952-895-4511.

Coupon for one pickup truck load of bulky items (excluding appliances, electronics or hazardous waste).

# Tree, Native Shrub and Plant Sale Set for Saturday, April 26

**What:** Tree, Native Shrub and Plant Sale  
**When:** Saturday, April 26, 7:30 – 10:30 a.m. (or until all trees, shrubs and plants are sold)  
**Where:** City's former Maintenance Facility — Across the street from City Hall  
 75 Civic Center Parkway

## Trees

Tree prices range from \$20 to \$35. Quantities are limited to two trees per household. Trees are locally grown and vary in size from 5 to 12 feet.

## Shrubs and Plants

Native shrubs and plants are geared toward shady areas; perfect for areas where buckthorn has been removed.

Shrubs are 6- to 18-inch bare root stock and will be sold in packs of 5 for \$5.

Plants are in 3-inch pots and will need to be protected from frost for a few weeks. Pots are \$2 each or 3 for \$5.

Limit 54 plants and 30 shrubs per household.

## Tree, Shrub and Plant Sale Tips

- Prepare planting sites before attending the sale.
- Call Gopher State One-Call (651-454-0002) to have utilities marked before digging.
- Arrive early for the best selection.
- Try to determine what trees, shrubs and plants you want before the sale.
- Don't plan on using a credit card. Only cash or checks are accepted at the sale.
- Wait until the weather warms to plant small plants. Plan to plant bare root trees and shrubs immediately.
- Protect trees, shrubs and plants against damage from deer and rodents until they are well established. Consider placing protection around them for the first few years.
- Get a permit from the City if you plan to plant a tree within the boulevard/right-of-way on your property (15 feet in from the curb).

Open to Burnsville residents only — identification will be checked. For a complete listing of available plants and pricing visit [www.burnsville.org/treesale](http://www.burnsville.org/treesale).



A Burnsville resident wheels away a wagon full of small plants during a past tree sale.



A bittersweet vine girdling a tree. Courtesy of the Minnesota Department of Agriculture.

# Be on the Lookout for Oriental Bittersweet

Burnsville's Natural Resources Department needs your help to locate and control an invasive vine that has found its way into the city. Oriental bittersweet — originally from China, Korea and Japan — has recently been found at Terrace Oaks Park, and may be growing in other locations in Burnsville. Early detection and control of invasive species can greatly reduce their long-term impact.

Oriental bittersweet grows aggressively — thick mats of vines can smother and weigh down vegetation, or girdle the trees on which they grow. Because of the vine's threat to the environment, the Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA) has added it to the state's list of noxious weeds. If you find Oriental bittersweet on your property, save yourself a long-term headache and start controlling it as soon as possible.

By reporting any sightings of this species in the Burnsville area, you can help local and state agencies track where Oriental bittersweet is spreading. There is a similar native bittersweet species, so careful identification is needed.

To report an infestation on private property call the MDA's "Arrest the Pest" line at 1-888-545-6684. If you find an infestation on City property, please report it at 952-895-4543 or email [caleb.ashling@ci.burnsville.mn.us](mailto:caleb.ashling@ci.burnsville.mn.us).

To learn more about Oriental bittersweet visit [www.burnsville.org/bittersweet](http://www.burnsville.org/bittersweet).



Oriental bittersweet (left) has yellow capsules surrounding red fruits. American bittersweet (right) has orange capsules. Courtesy of the Minnesota Department of Agriculture.

# 'Nominate Your Neighborhood' Buckthorn Brush Pick-up Program

## What is 'Nominate Your Neighborhood'?

Buckthorn, an invasive shrub, is a serious threat to Burnsville's public and private forested areas. Applicants chosen for the "Nominate Your Neighborhood" program will have all of their removed buckthorn brush picked up by the City, free-of-charge. Last year, five groups participated in the program and removed an impressive 505 cubic yards of buckthorn.

## How Does It Work?

A neighborhood representative can submit an application (available online). City staff will score all applications and select the highest-ranked applicants for pick-up. **The neighborhood will be in charge of planning and hosting the removal event.** All buckthorn must be hauled to the curb. Only one application is required per neighborhood. A minimum of three participating homeowners is required to apply.



Buckthorn is picked up from a Burnsville neighborhood.

Date	Program Task
June 1	Application deadline.
July 1 – Aug. 1	Announcements made. Chosen neighborhoods will have one month to notify the City of several preferred pick-up dates (first-come, first-serve).
Sept. 1 – Oct. 31	Buckthorn removal must occur within this time frame. Pick-up dates can be requested on any Monday within this period.

Download an application at [www.burnsville.org/nominate](http://www.burnsville.org/nominate) or call 952-895-4543.

## Buckthorn Weed Wrench Available for Loan

A weed wrench is a great tool for removing 1- to 2-inch diameter buckthorn saplings. The long-handled tool acts as a large lever to reduce the force needed to uproot buckthorn. The City offers these tools for loan, on a first-come, first-serve basis, for up to two weeks with a required \$150 refundable deposit. The tools are loaned out from the City Maintenance Facility at 13713 Frontier Court. Call 952-895-4543 for availability.



Buckthorn wrench

## City to Treat 500 Ash Trees, Remove 100 in Poor Condition

As part of the City of Burnsville's proactive Emerald ash borer plan, the City will treat 500 boulevard ash trees and remove another 100+ that are in poor condition this year.

This first round of treatment and removal will be limited to the northeast portion of Burnsville, and will consist of public ash trees only. Residents in the area where a tree will be treated or removed will be notified in advance. Residents will be able to take advantage of the City's bulk pricing for treatment of ash trees on private property.

In 2013, the Burnsville City Council approved an Emerald ash borer plan that calls for treating nearly 3,000 "legacy" ash trees in parks and boulevards prior to the inevitable arrival of the ash borer.

Visit [www.burnsville.org/EAB](http://www.burnsville.org/EAB). Pricing for ash tree treatment will be available online later this year.





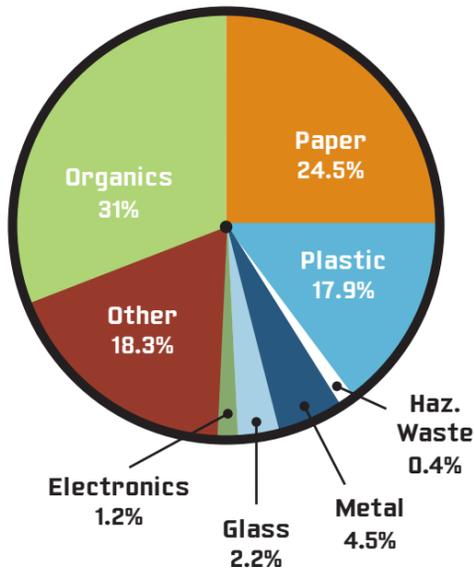
# 2014 Environmental Guide

An environmental guide for the cities of Apple Valley, Burnsville and Eagan



[www.DakotaValleyRecycling.org](http://www.DakotaValleyRecycling.org)

## What is in Minnesota's Trash?



In 2013, Minnesotans generated nearly 3 million tons of garbage. About 40% of the material we put in the trash could be recycled instead of going to the landfill.

## Don't Treat Recyclables Like Trash

Dumpster diving may not be your cup of tea. However, the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) found a wealth of information by digging in Minnesota's trash. The results of their recent study show us there's more we can do to manage the 3 million tons of garbage disposed of in our state each year.

The study found that Minnesotans throw away millions of pounds of recyclable paper, cans and plastics every year, as well as food waste and other compostable items. See the pie chart (left) for the breakdown of Minnesota's trash.

### WHY IS RECYCLING IMPORTANT?

Our recyclable material has economic value. In 2010, Minnesotans recycled approximately 2.5 million tons of material worth \$690 million.

- Paper gets baled and shipped to paper mills to be reprocessed into new paper products.
- Plastic gets ground into flakes and then reformed into a variety of items, from toothbrushes to chairs to soda bottles.
- Metal is exposed to high heat and turned into molten liquid. The liquid is molded into bars and sent to manufacturers.
- Glass bottles and jars can be melted down and recycled an endless number of times. Recycled glass makes up about 70 percent of the mix for new glass containers.

Not recycling costs money. Approximately 1.2 million tons of recyclables are thrown in the garbage each year, costing more than \$200 million to dispose of in landfills, according to the MPCA.

### HOW CAN WE RECYCLE MORE?

About 40 percent of what we throw in the garbage could be recycled. When we increase our efforts, we'll enjoy more benefits, like conserving energy, protecting natural resources and conserving landfill space. To learn what you can recycle at home, visit [www.dakotavalleyrecycling.org/curbside](http://www.dakotavalleyrecycling.org/curbside).

Find out more about trash, recycling and composting at [RethinkRecycling.com](http://RethinkRecycling.com).

## What Can Go in my Recycling Bin at Home?

These guidelines apply to residents in Burnsville.

Paper	Metal	Glass	Plastic
 <p><b>YES:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Office and school paper</li> <li>• Mail and envelopes</li> <li>• Newspapers, inserts, magazines and catalogs</li> <li>• Phone books</li> <li>• Shredded paper (in closed paper bag)</li> <li>• Boxes from cereal, crackers, pasta and other dry foods</li> <li>• Boxes from toothpaste, medications and other toiletries</li> <li>• Cardboard from empty paper towel and toilet paper rolls</li> <li>• Boxes from refrigerated food and beverage, including beer and pop cases</li> <li>• Cardboard boxes (flattened)</li> </ul> <p><b>NO:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Paper or boxes soiled with food</li> <li>• Paper towels, napkins or facial tissues</li> <li>• Paper cups or plates</li> <li>• Gift wrap or tissue paper</li> </ul>	 <p><b>YES:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Metal food and beverage cans</li> </ul> <p><b>NO:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Containers that held hazardous products, such as paint thinner or automotive fluids</li> </ul>	 <p><b>YES:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Glass beverage bottles and food jars</li> </ul> <p><b>NO:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drinking glasses, mugs, dishes, cookware, pottery or vases</li> <li>• Window or mirror glass</li> <li>• Containers that held hazardous products, such as nail polish or hobby paint</li> <li>• Light bulbs</li> </ul>	 <p><i>Leave caps &amp; lids on for recycling</i></p> <p><b>YES:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ALL plastic bottles</li> <li>• ALL gallon and ½ gallon milk, juice and water jugs</li> <li>• Margarine, cream cheese and other tubs</li> <li>• Yogurt, pudding and fruit cups</li> <li>• Disposable plastic cups</li> <li>• Plastic deli, fruit and take-out containers</li> <li>• Clear plastic packaging from toys and electronics</li> </ul> <p><b>NO:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Styrofoam™ plates, cups or packaging</li> <li>• PVC pipes</li> <li>• Toys or school/office supplies</li> <li>• Containers that held hazardous products, such as automotive fluids or pesticides</li> </ul>
<p><b>Cartons</b></p>  <p><b>YES:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Milk and juice cartons</li> <li>• Juice boxes</li> <li>• Soup, broth and wine cartons</li> </ul>			
<p><b>Maybe: Depends on your Hauler</b></p> <p>Some recycling haulers are collecting more materials. Visit <a href="http://www.dakotavalleyrecycling.org/curbside">www.dakotavalleyrecycling.org/curbside</a> for an up-to-date list of what items are accepted in your curbside bin. Click on your hauler's logo to see if you can recycle:</p> <p><b>Paper:</b> Pizza boxes (NO food residue or grease) • Boxes from frozen food</p> <p><b>Plastic:</b> Plastic bags and wrap</p> <p><b>Metal:</b> Aluminum foil • Aluminum trays or pie tins • Empty aerosol cans • Scrap metal items</p>			

[www.DakotaValleyRecycling.org](http://www.DakotaValleyRecycling.org) // [twitter.com/DVRecycling](https://twitter.com/DVRecycling) // Apple Valley or Burnsville: 952.895.4559 // Eagan: 651.675.5011

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# Composting 101



## What is Composting?

Composting is nature's way of recycling. It's the natural process of breaking down items such as food, leaves, grass trimmings and paper products. Larger decomposers, such as insects and worms, tear and break apart the materials, while smaller, microscopic organisms break it down further, releasing nutrients in the process.

The result is a nutrient-rich soil amendment. Composting helps prevent materials from going to a landfill; instead it can be used for gardening, landscaping projects, or amending poor-quality soil.

When talking about composting, the words "organic materials" or "organics" refer to anything once living and capable of decay, like plant and animal products. It's estimated that about one third of your garbage is made up of organics! Synthetic, metal or mineral items, such as plastic bottles or aluminum cans, don't decay and should be placed in your recycling bin instead.

## How Can I Compost?

There are two main ways organic material can be composted: 1) in a backyard compost bin or 2) at a large-scale commercial composting facility.



### Backyard Composting

You can compost some of your organics right in your backyard. The following items can be placed in a backyard compost bin:

- Fruit/vegetable scraps and eggshells
- Coffee grounds/filters and tea bags
- Leaves, plant trimmings and grass clippings
- Straw, sawdust and woodchips

Mix the material in your bin with a pitchfork or shovel once every two to three weeks, and you'll have useable compost in about three months. Do not put items meats, fats, dairy, bones, grease or pet waste into a backyard compost bin. They can cause problems with your compost or attract pests.

Learn what you need to start your own backyard composting bin by visiting [www.dakotavalleyrecycling.org/backyard-composting](http://www.dakotavalleyrecycling.org/backyard-composting).



Machines mix large piles of compost at the Shakopee Mdwakanton Sioux Organics Recycling Facility.

## Commercial Composting: The Next Frontier

Large amounts of organics can be composted at a large-scale compost site. Site operators mound organic material into large piles, where the natural breakdown process can occur faster and more efficiently than a backyard bin. Because the piles are larger and can be mixed by machinery, more types of organic materials can be broken down into compost.

The following items can go to a commercial composting site:

- ALL food (including bread, meat and dairy products)
- Coffee grounds/filters and tea bags
- Food-soiled or non-recyclable paper and cardboard
- Paper plates and cups, paper towels and napkins
- Compostable plastic cups (labeled "compostable")
- Gift wrap and tissue paper
- ALL yard waste (grass, leaves, branches and trees)

Many organics compost sites allow the public to drop off their organics for a fee. Go online to [www.dakotacounty.us](http://www.dakotacounty.us) and search "commercial compost" for a list of food and yard waste drop-off sites in your area.

## The Recycling Zone

651-905-4520

3365 S. Hwy 149 (Dodd Road)  
Eagan, MN 55121

[www.dakotacounty.us](http://www.dakotacounty.us)

Search: *The Recycling Zone*



### Hours:

Wednesday: 9 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Thursday: Noon – 8 p.m.

Friday: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Saturday: 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

## Services Offered at The Recycling Zone

The Recycling Zone, run by Dakota County, is your place to get rid of the stuff you can't throw in the trash. For a full list of items that can be disposed of at The Recycling Zone, go to [www.dakotacounty.us](http://www.dakotacounty.us) and search "materials accepted." A valid driver's license is required to bring items to The Recycling Zone.



### Household Chemicals & Hazardous Waste Area

Items like paint, cleaners, chemicals, batteries, gasoline, automotive fluids and fluorescent bulbs are accepted for free from households ONLY. Businesses with hazardous waste should contact Dakota County at 952-891-7020 for more information.

### Recycling

Bring in items such as glass bottles and jars, plastic bottles/jugs/tubs, metal cans, paper, cardboard, plastic bags, packing peanuts, scrap metal and cooking oil to be recycled for free. Separate recyclables by material type.

### Home Sharps

Bring home sharps (needles, syringes, lancets) in a rigid, sealed container with the label "Do not recycle: household sharps." Accepted from residents only.

### Electronics Recycling

Items such as computers, laptops, monitors, computer accessories, TVs, VCRs, DVD players and game systems are accepted for free from households ONLY. Small household electronics such as toasters, blenders, coffee makers, hair dryers and vacuum cleaners are also accepted. Remove batteries. Business electronics are collected separately; contact The Recycling Zone for more information.

### Free Stuff Area

Products brought in for disposal—such as paint, cleaners, fertilizers and solvents—are available for free to visitors if they are still useable.

### Compost Bin Sales

Buy backyard compost bins for your home. Call for availability and pricing.

### Aluminum Can Redemption

Bring in your aluminum cans and The Recycling Zone will pay you for them. Call for redemption prices.

### Lead Sinkers Exchange

Exchange your lead tackle for a free sample of a non-lead alternative.

### Mercury Thermometer Exchange

Exchange your mercury medical thermometer for a digital alternative.

## Only Rain in the Drain, Please



Water that runs into storm drains goes directly to area lakes and ponds with no treatment or filtration.

Every time it rains, City storm drains collect water running off of roofs, driveways, sidewalks, parking lots and roads. This water drains directly into neighborhood ponds and lakes. The bad news is that this runoff also carries with it pollutants such as lawn fertilizers, pet waste, garbage and oil leaked from cars.

Join your neighbors in making sure that only rain gets washed down your storm drain! Here are a few simple things you can do:

**Capture Rain at Home.** Less runoff means fewer pollutants are washed into ponds, lakes and streams. Use a rain barrel or rain garden to collect runoff from your home.

**Pick up the Pieces.** Pet waste is full of bacteria and nutrients. As the waste breaks down, runoff washes it into the stormwater system and into ponds and lakes. Be a responsible pet owner and bag your dog's droppings.

**Sweep up Grass Clippings.** A bushel of fresh grass clippings contains enough phosphorus to grow 30 to 50 pounds of algae in a pond. Sweep up grass clippings that fall onto driveways, sidewalks and roads.

**Properly Dispose of Household Waste.** Dumping pollutants, such as paint or motor oil, down a storm drain is against the law. Household hazardous waste can be taken to The Recycling Zone in Eagan. For directions, hours or a list of accepted materials call 651-905-4520.

If you see unusual water coloration or detect chemical odors coming from a pond, lake or stream, or if you suspect there has been dumping of any material into a storm drain, report it immediately to Burnsville Public Works at 952-895-4550.

## Grant Money Available for Rain Gardens and Shoreline Restoration

Rain gardens and shoreline restoration projects are a great way to add aesthetic value to your property while improving local water quality. Because of the benefit these projects provide to local lakes and rivers, the City offers grants of up to \$1,000 for residents willing to undertake a rain garden or shoreline restoration on their property. Individuals, neighborhood groups and community organizations can all apply.



Rain garden on Rushmore Drive in Burnsville

The application deadline is Monday, April 28. To download a grant application or for more information visit [www.burnsville.org/WQGRANT](http://www.burnsville.org/WQGRANT) or contact Daryl Jacobson at 952-895-4574 or [daryl.jacobson@ci.burnsville.mn.us](mailto:daryl.jacobson@ci.burnsville.mn.us).

### Not Sure How Rain Gardens Work?

Attend a free "Blue Thumb Workshop" on Thursday, April 10 at 6:15 p.m. at Burnsville City Hall to learn more. Registration is required so visit [www.dakotacountyswcd.org/bluethumb.html](http://www.dakotacountyswcd.org/bluethumb.html) or call 651-480-7777 to sign up. Workshops are available on additional dates in neighboring cities.



## Wade Into Wetlands

### Volunteers Needed



A WHEP volunteer enjoys some time with nature.

Volunteer to step into Burnsville wetlands — wearing a pair of waders of course! Dakota County is looking for people to monitor wetlands through the Wetland Health Evaluation Program (WHEP). A science background or previous experience is not required, and all training and equipment is provided.

Under the direction of a team leader, volunteers visit several wetlands to take measurements, collect insects and identify plants. The average total time commitment is 10 to 30 hours from May through August.

Register through May 1. To learn more or to register visit [www.mnwhep.org](http://www.mnwhep.org) or call the Dakota County Water Resources Department at 952-891-7000.

## I Volunteer: Storm Drain Stenciling

Over the past several years, a number of Burnsville youth and civic groups (including churches, scout troops and school volunteers) have taken up storm drain stenciling.



Storm drain stenciling is a great group volunteer project that

Storm drain stenciling is a great volunteer project for youth and civic groups in the community.

makes a big difference in local water quality. Using stencils, volunteers go out and spray paint "Dump No Waste, Drains to Lake" next to neighborhood storm drains. This sends a clear message to people who live in the area that anything dumped in the storm drain goes directly to local water bodies with no treatment or filtration.

"My kids had a great time stenciling storm drains for the City," said Burnsville resident Brigitt Martin. "We've talked about how their work would help safeguard the water quality of the lakes and our drinking water, and protect the habitats of our city-dwelling wildlife. They look forward to doing it again this summer!"

The City will provide the stencils, paint and other necessary equipment. If you are interested in getting involved or would like more information contact the Natural Resources Department at 952-895-4543 or [caleb.ashling@ci.burnsville.mn.us](mailto:caleb.ashling@ci.burnsville.mn.us).



## Recycling Zone Offers Environmentally-Friendly Disposal

Spring cleaning has commenced, so spring cleaners rejoice! Burnsville residents have a convenient and free place to drop off many of the unnecessary items cluttering up their once-usable garage, basement and closets — including broken computers, the broken snow blower, a pile of cardboard and even old paint!

The Recycling Zone in Dakota County accepts recyclables, electronics and household hazardous wastes at no cost. Everything from unwanted lawn and garden products to used oil and oil filters can be brought to the facility.

<b>When:</b>	Wednesday	9 a.m. – 8 p.m.
	Thursday	Noon – 8 p.m.
	Friday	9 a.m. – 8 p.m.
	Saturday	8 a.m. – 5 p.m.
<b>Where:</b>	3365 Dodd Road, Eagan	

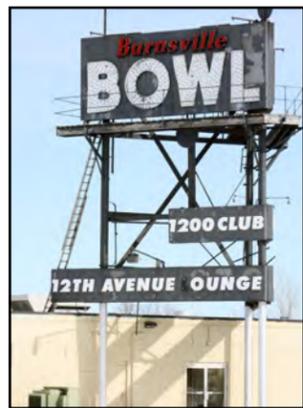
For more information visit [www.dakotacounty.us](http://www.dakotacounty.us) and search Recycling Zone or call 651-905-4520.



# BURNSVILLE BUSINESS CORNER

## Burnsville Development Update

Change is in the wind. Three vacant business spaces will see significant upgrades to accommodate new and exciting uses in 2014.



**Planet Fitness** will renovate the former Ultimate Electronics building (on Burnhaven Drive off of County Road 42) into a new fitness center. Planet Fitness bills itself as “the place anybody can be comfortable working out.”

**Tri-State Bobcat** will renovate the former Burnsville Bowl (on Highway 13) to relocate from their current facility at 1800 Highway 13. This move will provide more space for the company’s corporate headquarters.

**Lucky’s 13 Pub** will be remodeling a space and settling into Burnsville Center on County Road 42. They will be located on the mall’s upper level next to Sears.

## Welcome to These New Burnsville Businesses

- American Freight
- Colorado Station
- Create My Print
- Dare To Believe
- Effie’s Bridal Trunk
- Enchantasys
- Fast Jewelry Repair
- H&R Block – Burnsville Center
- LiveWire Films
- Meineke Car Care
- Molinaro Davis Law, PLLC
- Shogun Sushi & Hibachi

If you have a new business in Burnsville, contact Economic Development Coordinator Skip Nienhaus at 952-895-4454 or [skip.nienhaus@ci.burnsville.mn.us](mailto:skip.nienhaus@ci.burnsville.mn.us) to schedule a welcome visit.

## Sell to the City



In another effort to support Burnsville-based businesses, the City is providing an opportunity for those businesses to sign up as Burnsville-based vendors.

Burnsville businesses can visit [www.burnsville.org/WhyBurnsville](http://www.burnsville.org/WhyBurnsville) and complete the “Burnsville-Based Vendor Application” listed in the “Business Resources” tab to have their goods or services considered by City purchasers.

The City of Burnsville does purchase some of its products or services through State and Federal contracts, resulting in substantial savings. These purchases will continue. The City will also continue to consider purchases (regardless of business location) based on the best price, service level provided and quality available.

Being listed on the Burnsville-Based Vendor list will allow a business the opportunity to compete for the City’s business; it will not guarantee a purchase.

## Signage Helps Businesses During Construction



Major construction will take place at the County Road 5 and Highway 13 interchange in Burnsville this year. Traffic will be limited to one lane in each direction as Highway 13 is lowered approximately 20 to 22 feet to make room for the interchange.

Because of this disruption, the Burnsville City Council has suspended the temporary sign restrictions for businesses along Highway 13 in the construction zone. This will allow the businesses to use signs to draw more attention during construction.

Please remember these businesses are still open during construction and are looking for your support!

## Open To Business First Year a Success



Dakota County’s Open To Business initiative finished 2013 with great success. The program, which provides free one-on-one business consulting to current and prospective Burnsville small businesses, helped 15 Burnsville businesses last year. It also provided loan assistance to help two businesses grow.

An Open To Business consultant is available on the third Wednesday of each month from 1 to 3 p.m. at Burnsville City Hall, 100 Civic Center Parkway. Walk-ins are encouraged to meet and discuss business needs. Businesses or aspiring entrepreneurs may also contact Laurie Crow at 952-484-3107 or [lcrow@mccdmn.org](mailto:lcrow@mccdmn.org) to schedule a meeting.

The service is free to any Burnsville business or resident!

## Save Energy and Increase Profits

Did you know? Up to 30 percent of energy used in a building is wasted.

To learn how to turn wasted energy into increased profits, visit [www.burnsville.org/WhyBurnsville](http://www.burnsville.org/WhyBurnsville) and click on the “Business Resources” tab.

Grants and credits are available to help lower costs and/or perform energy efficiency upgrades.



## Recreation Times

Summer in Burnsville is filled with sports and activities for people of all ages! Read the 2014 Recreation Times Spring/Summer magazine for information on great events like Kids of Summer, Zumba in the Park, youth sports, adult sports and activities for adults 62+.



The Recreation Times was mailed to homes in March. The publication can also be picked up at City Hall or viewed online at [www.burnsville.org/rectimes](http://www.burnsville.org/rectimes).

## Register Now for Birnamwood Golf Leagues



Birnamwood Golf Course, the City of Burnsville’s par 27 course, will open soon — weather permitting. However, league registration is already in full force. In addition to leagues, the course offers annual passes, equipment rental, group outings, lockers, a snack bar, tournaments and lessons.

Registration for junior and adult summer golf leagues ends April 30, or when all spots are filled. Register today to ensure a league spot.

For more information or to register online visit [www.birnamwoodgolfcourse.com](http://www.birnamwoodgolfcourse.com) or call the clubhouse at 952-641-1370.

## The Time’s About Right for Night to Unite

While Night to Unite isn’t until August, it’s not too early to register and start planning your neighborhood party.



Register online at [www.burnsville.org/NTU](http://www.burnsville.org/NTU) to receive handouts and information on the celebration.

Minnesota Night to Unite is Tuesday, Aug. 5. Neighborhoods are encouraged to lock their doors, turn on outside lights and spend the evening outside with neighbors. Events can range in size from a few neighbors to a few hundred.

## It's Pothole Season...

### The End of Winter Weather Brings New Driving Challenges

It may seem as if pothole season is nature's way of sticking its tongue out one last time before letting people enjoy warmer weather. While that may sound like a good explanation, the truth is that potholes are created scientifically — by snow and rain finding their way into existing cracks in streets. The water then freezes, and pushes gravel and dirt out, leaving a hole under the road when the ice melts. As cars travel across these holes, the street begins to break up.



This winter's extreme cold temperatures and abundant snowfall did a number on Burnsville streets. The City's Public Works Department will have its hands full working to get all of the potholes filled this spring.

Soon, City street crews will be out daily (weather permitting) filling potholes. If you spot a pothole needing repair, let the City know!

There are two easy ways to report a pothole:

- Visit [www.burnsville.org/request](http://www.burnsville.org/request) and fill out an online request.
- Call the Burnsville Maintenance Facility at 952-895-4550.

The City actively monitors the condition of its streets and schedules short-term and long-term replacement and maintenance based on a variety of factors. Five-year proposed street reconstruction and rehabilitation plans are available at [www.burnsville.org/streetrecon](http://www.burnsville.org/streetrecon).

Fill out an online request to notify the City about potholes at [www.burnsville.org/request](http://www.burnsville.org/request).



## Jeff Radick Promoted to New Assistant Public Works Director

Burnsville's Public Works Department is focused on "building" a bright future — no pun intended. Newly promoted Assistant Director Jeff Radick says he hopes to maintain that focus by helping increase the lifespan of the City's infrastructure, implement new technologies and maintain existing resources.



Jeff Radick was promoted to Burnsville Assistant Public Works Director in January.

Radick, who worked for the City of Burnsville for 12 years as an Engineering Tech and Project Manager before being promoted to Assistant Public Works Director, realized his calling in high school. There, he participated in a work study program for the City of Appleton, Minn.. That experience prompted him to earn a bachelor's degree in Resource Management and a master's in Public Administration from Minnesota State University, Mankato. He worked for four years in maintenance and two years in engineering for the City of Mankato, Minn. before joining Burnsville in 2002.

Learning hands-on and from the ground up, Radick understands what it takes to keep a city's infrastructure functioning. He has done everything — driving a snow plow, surveying, inspecting sites and managing a number of large public works projects. This varied experience helps him see how all of the pieces of the infrastructure puzzle come together and build upon each other.

"To be successful, we needed a person with the ability to understand the details of projects while maintaining a 'big picture' view," explained Steve Albrecht, Burnsville Public Works Director. "With Radick's unique set of skills, he was a perfect fit for the job."

## New Chlorine Treatment System at Water Treatment Plant

### A Quiet Change with Big Benefits

This year, Burnsville's Public Works Department will be treating water a little differently (and we don't mean allowing it to stay up to watch late night television...). Burnsville is replacing its existing chlorine water treatment system with new technology that will generate chlorine on-site.

While the change will be seamless — and residents should not notice a difference in their drinking water — the new technology will allow chlorine to be produced in a much safer and efficient manner.

Burnsville currently treats its drinking water with safe amounts of chlorine, which removes iron from the water and serves as a disinfectant. This process keeps water clean and safe to drink. Original to the plant, the current 40-year-old chlorine system is due for replacement. The 1970's system requires the use and storage of 1-ton cylinders of chlorine gas at the water treatment plant.

Since chlorine gas is highly reactive, it requires that a number of safety, training and other procedures be put in place to ensure the safety of staff members and surrounding businesses. After researching numerous systems and technologies, the Public Works Department settled on an on-site chlorine generation system to replace the old way of treating water.

"On-site chlorine generation is more popular in the south," explained Linda Mullen, Burnsville Water Superintendent. "There are only a few

cities in Minnesota that have this technology, and we're proud to be one of them."

The new system takes water and salt — both harmless materials — and infuses them with electricity to make chlorine to use in the treatment process. According to Mullen, the chlorine that is generated is less hazardous than household bleach, and is one of the most cost effective, safe technologies available to water treatment facilities today.

"This upgrade will eliminate the need for chlorine gas cylinders," explained Jeff Radick, Assistant Public Works Director. "It is a winning proposition for our staff and surrounding businesses."

The new process will be online in the summer of 2014.



The City's water treatment plant currently uses 1-ton cylinders of chlorine gas to treat drinking water.



The new on-site chlorine generation system will infuse water and salt with electricity to create chlorine that is less hazardous than household bleach.

## Keeping Dirt Off City Streets

### Sediment Control Important at Construction Sites

If not managed properly, mud and sediment from construction areas can make a mess of local streets. It can also cause water quality problems when the sediment is carried into ponds and lakes by rainwater.

Construction sites must have a method to prevent vehicles from tracking mud and sediment onto paved roads. Strategies include rock tracking pads, grates and controlled wash areas (see sidebar at right). It is the construction site manager's responsibility to stay on top of sediment control, and to remove any mud and sediment from the paved roads at the end of their working day (or more often if conditions warrant).

With additional questions about construction sediment control — or if you notice a construction site that has issues with mud being tracked onto paved roads — please contact Walter Ehresmann at 952-895-4463 or [walter.ehresmann@ci.burnsville.mn.us](mailto:walter.ehresmann@ci.burnsville.mn.us).



Sediment tracked onto a sidewalk from a construction site.

### Methods for Removing Dirt

**Rock Tracking Pads:** Vehicles drive over a bed of clean rocks, which helps remove mud.

**Grates:** Driving over the grate allows dirt to fall through.

**Wash Areas:** Vehicles are washed on site with water to remove mud.

# Spring Recreation Highlight: Enjoy Music, Movies and More

Burnsville is never short on family fun, and this spring and summer will be no exception. Many events that have become perennial favorites will return in 2014. All are free and open to the public, so grab your friends, sunscreen, lawn chairs and dancing shoes — or sandals — and enjoy!



## Wednesday in the Park Concerts

*Civic Center Park, 75 Civic Center Parkway*

This musical entertainment for your listening pleasure is sponsored by ISD 191 Community Education and the City of Burnsville. The Burnsville Senior Center sells popcorn for \$1 and attendees can bring a non-perishable food item in exchange for a soft drink.

Day: Wednesdays  
 Dates: June 25 – Aug. 6  
 (no show on July 2)  
 Time: 7 p.m.



## Thursday Rockin' Lunch Hour Concerts and Rockin' Readers

*Nicollet Commons Park, 12550 Nicollet Ave.*

Rockin' Lunch Hour performances are back! Performances are geared toward preschool-aged audiences, but will make people of all ages want to dance! Bring a lunch and come a little early to join ISD 191's elementary principals as they read books for children during Rockin' Readers prior to the Rockin' Lunch Hour concert.

Day: Thursdays  
 Dates: June 12 – Aug. 21  
 (no show on July 3)  
 Time: Rockin' Readers: 11 a.m.  
 Rockin' Lunch Hour Concert: Noon



## Friday Night Flicks on the Bricks Movies

*Nicollet Commons Park, 12550 Nicollet Ave.*

Nicollet Commons Park is transformed into an outdoor cinema on Friday nights! Come prepared to relax and enjoy great shows like Frozen, The Hunger Games: Catching Fire and Monsters University. There will also be a special showing of Mary Poppins as a part of I Love Burnsville Week and the City of Burnsville's 50th Anniversary Celebration!

Day: Fridays  
 Dates: June 6, June 20, July 11,  
 July 25, Aug. 8 and Aug. 22  
 Time: Seating begins at 7:30 p.m.  
 Shows begin at dusk



## New Spaces Heart of the City Music Festival

*Nicollet Commons Park, 12550 Nicollet Ave.*

Sunday nights bring another chance to rock out in Burnsville with the New Spaces Heart of the City Music Festival. Sponsored by New Spaces, King and Companies, Creative Color and School of Rock.

Day: Sundays  
 Dates: June 29 – Aug. 3  
 Time: 7 – 8:30 p.m.

Lists of concert performers and movies are available at [www.burnsville.org/events](http://www.burnsville.org/events).

Want to know who's performing this week, what time the fun will begin or if an event will be canceled due to rain? Watch the City of Burnsville's social media accounts for event updates. Stay connected at [facebook.com/cityofburnsville](https://facebook.com/cityofburnsville) and [twitter.com/burnsvillemn](https://twitter.com/burnsvillemn).



# AMES CENTER

For ticket information visit [www.ames-center.com](http://www.ames-center.com) or call 952-895-4680

## The Chameleon Theatre Circle presents 'Mom! A New Musical'

Black Box • April 25 – May 11 • Monday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 7:30 p.m.; Sunday at 2 p.m.  
 Ticket Information: Adults \$20 • Students, Seniors 62+ and Groups of 8 or more \$17

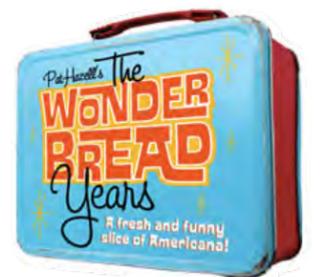
"Mom!" celebrates the twists and turns, delights and dilemmas, rewards and regrets of parenting. From trying to reason with a toddler having a tantrum to panicking at the prospect of a parent-teacher conference; from staving off unwanted child-rearing advice to struggling to accept the choices of grown children; from trying to rekindle marital passion to trying to shield kids from the heartbreak of divorce, this musical celebrates the humor and the terror of parenting.



## The Wonder Bread Years – A Fresh Slice of Americana

Main Stage • Saturday, April 26 at 8 p.m. • Silent Auction begins at 6 p.m.  
 Ticket Information: Reserved Tickets \$39 • VIP Meet & Greet \$55

The Burnsville Rotary proudly presents its 39th-annual charitable giving event, featuring comedian Pat Hazell's "The Wonder Bread Years – A Fresh and Funny Slice of Americana," generously sponsored by the Dr. LaChapelle Family Charitable Fund. A salute to the Baby Boomer Generation, "The Wonder Bread Years" is a fast-paced, hilarious production that gracefully walks the line between stand-up and theater. Enjoy music, food, drink and a silent auction prior to the show.



## The Dakota Valley Symphony presents 'Orchestra Festival with Young Artists'

Main Stage • Sunday, April 27 at 2 p.m.  
 Ticket Information: Adults \$16 • Seniors 65+ \$13 • Students \$5

Featuring Tchaikovsky's Symphony No. 4 played by two orchestras!



## Twin Cities Ballet of Minnesota presents 'Beauty & the Beast'

Main Stage • May 9-11 • Friday at 7 p.m.; Saturday at 2 and 7 p.m.; Sunday at 2 p.m.  
 Ticket Information: Adults \$28-\$32 • Students, Seniors 65+ and Groups of 10 or more \$24-\$28 • Balcony (All Ages) \$16

Created in the tradition of the great classical story ballets, this ballet has an original story adaptation and musical score both written specifically for this production. Full of magic, imagination, hope and redemption, "Beauty & the Beast" is sure to delight the whole family.



## Break of Reality

Main Stage • Wednesday, May 14 at 7 p.m.  
 Ticket Information: Adults \$25 • Students \$10 • Groups of 10 or more \$20

"Break of Reality" is a cello rock band originally formed at the Eastman School of Music in 2003. Their sound is cinematic, subdued and heavy all at once, and their live audiences are equally diverse. Fans of Led Zeppelin, Radiohead and Yo-Yo Ma are finally getting acquainted.

