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Shoreview City Newsletter



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Police

Police protection is provided by the Ramsey County Sheriff's Department. The District Office is located at 1411 Paul Kirkwood Drive, Arden Hills, MN 55112.

For non-emergencies call **651.484.3366**

For emergencies call **911**

Fire

Fire protection is provided by the Lake Johanna Fire Department.

For emergencies call **911 Dispatch**

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Access Shoreview

Sign up to receive our online newsletter that is sent after each City Council Meeting with City news and events. Visit the City's website at www.shoreviewmn.gov.

COUNCIL CONNECTION

Pictured back row, left to right:
Ady Wickstrom, Terry Quigley
and Emy Johnson.

Front row, left to right:
City Manager Terry Schwerm,
Mayor Sandy Martin and
Ben Withhart.



In an effort to provide up-to-date information, the City publishes the **Council Connection** – a summary of major actions of the Shoreview City Council. The Council Connection, included in our e-newsletter **Access Shoreview**, can now be found right here in our official publication, **ShoreViews**.

RECENT COUNCIL ACTIONS

December 2 Meeting

- The City Council held its annual budget hearing on the proposed 2014 budget and tax levy. The 2014 budget anticipates a \$10,009,154 property tax levy for City services, a 3.4% increase above the 2013 levy. Some of the key factors impacting the 2014 budget include increasing public safety (police and fire) costs; higher charges for the purchase, operation and maintenance of City vehicles and equipment; slightly increased capital project and debt service costs; and staff wage and benefit increases. The impact on a median value Shoreview home (\$224,500) that increased in value by 1% is expected to be less than \$20 per year.

November 18 Meeting

- Kent Peterson and Karen Eckman presented the City with a Certificate of Appreciation from the Ramsey Washington Metro Watershed District for the creation of the Commons Pond natural landscape buffer. The natural landscape buffer consists of hundreds of natural plantings adjacent to the Commons Park Pond near the pavilion. This initial project planning and planting was done as an Eagle Scout project and the buffer area is now maintained by a group of community volunteers.
- Approved the 2014 Curbside Recycling Budget in the amount of \$529,569. The budget provides for continuation of the city's single sort curbside recycling program and Spring and Fall clean up day events at a cost of less than \$4/month.

November 4 Meeting

- Authorized issuance of general obligation bonds in the amount of \$2.27 million at an interest rate of about 3%. The City's AAA rating was recently affirmed by Standard & Poor's. These bonds will be used for street improvement projects, which also include improvements to the water service and surface water.
- Approved the legal agreement for City Attorney services for 2014 with Kelly and Lemmons, P.A. The agreement includes both civil and criminal prosecution services.

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On the Cover: The Shoreview Community Center, illuminated with holiday lights on a winter night. (Photo credit: Dan McMahon - danmcmahonphotography.com)

Shoreview Housing Market Update

There is no question that the real estate market in the Twin Cities area seems to be on the steady road to recovery. Even with the interest rate increases, rates through October 2013 are still near historic lows. Whether you are in the market to buy or sell, or you're just generally curious, you may find yourself asking the question: How does Shoreview compare? The following is a summary of the market condition changes from September 2012 to 2013, observed across Shoreview compared to the metro area as a whole. As you can see, the overall change percentages for the Twin Cities Region pale in comparison to Shoreview. With the increases in closed sales, median sales and percent of original list price received coupled with the decreases in the days on market, inventory of homes for sale, and months supply of homes for sale, you can see that Shoreview is a higher demand area. There are many determining factors that can explain this, including our low crime rate and favorable school ratings.



	Shoreview			Twin Cities Region		
	Sep '12	Sep '13	+ / -	Sep '12	Sep '13	+ / -
New Listings	38	49	28.9%	5,342	6,372	19.0%
Closed Sales	20	35	75.0%	4,076	4,667	14.5%
Median Sales Price	\$170,500	\$213,295	25.1%	\$174,500	\$195,000	11.7%
Average Sales Price	\$195,015	\$215,440	10.5%	\$217,781	\$239,515	10.0%
Days on Market Until Sale	113	54	-52.2%	101	71	-29.7%
Percent of Original List Price Received	93.6%	96.7%	3.3%	94.8%	96.5%	1.8%
Inventory of Homes for Sale	113	54	-16.2%	17,195	15,968	-7.1%
Months Supply of Homes for Sale	3.7	2.9	-21.6%	4.3	3.6	-16.3%

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Channel 16 City Meeting Broadcast Schedule

Shoreview City Council Meetings

Live: Every first and third Monday of the month at 7 p.m.

Replays: Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday at 12:30 p.m. & 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday at 12:30 a.m., 8 a.m. & 3 p.m.

Shoreview Planning Commission Meetings

Live: Every fourth Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m.

Replays: Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday at 12:30 a.m. and 8 a.m.

Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday at 7 p.m.

A Banner Year for Economic Development

Over the past 18 months, Shoreview experienced significant economic growth bringing new retail services and dining choices, expanded senior living options, and added jobs and tax base with several high profile business expansions. Despite a slowly recovering regional and national economy, Shoreview has seen a number of major development projects, which can be attributed, in part, to some key strategies adopted by the City Council.

Through the adoption of the *Shoreview Business Retention and Expansion (BRE) Program*, the Council developed a comprehensive, proactive plan to strengthen City relationships with the local business community. Since the adoption of this program, teams including the Mayor, City Council members, Economic Development Commission (EDC) members, and City staff have conducted over two dozen in-person visits to our top businesses to better understand their concerns and needs to succeed and grow in Shoreview. A number of these visits resulted in business retention and expansion projects through private-public partnerships developed between the City government and our businesses.

Several years ago, the City Council established the Economic Development Authority (EDA) to provide the necessary resources to assist with economic development. This has led to the expansion of key local high-tech companies such as PaR Systems and TSI Incorporated, bringing hundreds of new highly-skilled jobs and additional tax base. Also, Cummins Power Generation, a global multi-billion dollar enterprise, moved to Shoreview and opened its new world headquarters facility with over 600 employees.

Quick Facts 2013 Development Projects

- Private Investment
\$45,976,900
- Increased Market Value
\$26,141,513
- Private vs Public Investment
Nearly 10 to 1 Ratio
- New Jobs Created
Over 400
(not including construction)

These efforts were recognized in 2013 by the Economic Development Association of Minnesota when they honored the City of Shoreview with the **Business Retention Project of the Year Award** for the successful expansions of PaR Systems and TSI Incorporated. Here is a summary of development over the past year or currently underway:

Business Growth



PaR Systems Expansion – PaR Systems, located at 707 and 655 County Road E, completed construction in 2013 of a new 48,000 square foot facility on vacant land east of their corporate offices on their Shoreview campus. The \$5.5 million expansion will bring new jobs and provide additional manufacturing space to meet continued growth projections, due in part to a recent contract to provide robotic crane equipment for the ongoing clean-up of the Fukushima nuclear power plant in Japan.



TSI Incorporated – TSI Incorporated, located at 500 Cardigan Road, finished construction in 2013 of a \$7 million – 58,000 square foot expansion of their corporate headquarters and research/manufacturing facility. TSI employs 560 worldwide, including 440 high skilled employees in Shoreview. With the expansion to accommodate continued growth, the company projects a workforce addition of 200 employees in Shoreview within the next several years.

Retail Development



Red Fox Retail – Phased retail development located along Red Fox Road, east of Lexington Avenue and north of Super Target. Opening in late 2012, the first phase retail center includes Chipotle, Leeann Chin and Five Guys Burgers restaurants, plus Massage Retreat and Spa and Sport Clips. This project has provided new retail services and jobs to the community, along with more dining choices long-requested by our residents and businesses.



Trader Joe's – Trader Joe's, a popular national specialty grocery store, opened their new Shoreview location in October 2013 as the second phase of the Red Fox Retail development. Over the past 40 years, Trader Joe's has grown into a national chain with more than 390 stores in 35 states. The Shoreview location becomes the 7th Trader Joe's in the Twin Cities metropolitan area.

TCF Bank – TCF Bank opened a new branch facility at the corner of Lexington Avenue and Red Fox Road in early 2013. The new building was constructed on the former Sinclair gas station property, which was demolished to make way for the new bank.

Housing Development

Lakeview Terrace – In what is the first new market rental apartment project in Shoreview in decades, construction began in 2013 for the upscale Lakeview Terrace apartments, located at the southeast corner of Victoria Street and County Road E. The six-story 104 unit apartment building is the end result of a private-public partnership between an ownership group from the adjacent Midland Terrace complex and the City of Shoreview.

The redevelopment project involved the tear-down of the old Midland Plaza strip center at Owasso and Victoria Streets and the relocation of Owasso Street to align with County Road E to create a development parcel for the new apartments. The redevelopment brings the benefits of removing an old retail center, creating new higher-end market rental housing choices for the community, and traffic safety improvements in the project area. Most of the public road improvements are expected to be completed in late 2013, with construction of the high-end apartment building slated for completion by Fall 2014.

The developer is investing over \$20 million into the luxury apartment building, which will include a variety of amenities including underground parking, which they hope will attract young professionals and "empty-nesters" looking to downsize but remain in the community.



"Retaining and growing our major companies – as in the case of the expansions of both PaR Systems and TSI Incorporated providing significant jobs and tax base – has been, and will continue to be, a priority for the City."

– Mayor Sandy Martin

"Redeveloping older, dated, stressed properties and replacing them with new vibrant business ventures is critical for the continued long term economic health of Shoreview."

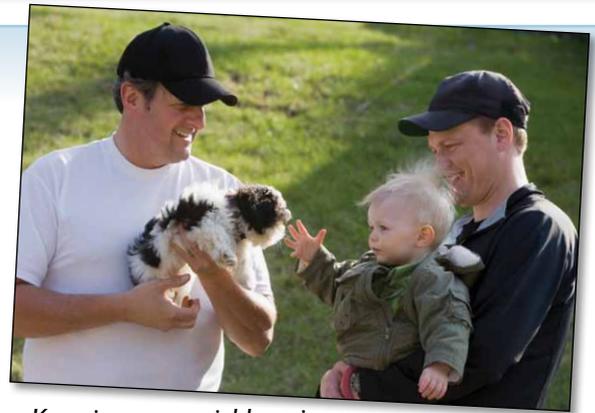
– Ben Withhart, Councilmember and EDA President

Empower Your Neighborhood in 2014

Neighborhood Watch is an organized group of neighbors working together with the Ramsey County Sheriff's Office to reduce the fear of crime and add to the safety and security of their neighborhood. It's designed to:

- Teach citizens techniques to reduce the risk of being victimized at home or in public.
- Train citizens on how to recognize and report suspicious activities.
- Help neighborhoods to make homes more secure.
- Show citizens how to properly mark property to identify it.
- Allow neighbors to get to know each other so that any out-of-place activity can be recognized, reported, and investigated.
- Develop a cohesive body of concerned citizens addressing issues concerning the entire community.

According to the National Crime Prevention Council, every day, neighborhoods across the U.S. confront any number of property and violent crimes and threats of crime. The strategy of Neighborhood Watch groups is to provide local law enforcement with extra eyes and ears to watch out for all types of criminal activity and promote neighborhood security. Community watches



Knowing your neighbors is an effective way to fight crime

can address all types of crime, but their primary focus is typically residential burglary and other crimes around the home, such as larceny and vandalism. Their presence can also help deter criminals who would attempt to conduct drug- or gang-related activities in the neighborhood.

Create your own Neighborhood Watch group to connect with – and strengthen – your community. Learn more by visiting www.co.ramsey.mn.us/sheriff and click on Crime Prevention.

**Save the Date: 2014 Night to Unite
Tuesday, August 5 ~ 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.**

This Year, Plan Ahead to Prevent Theft from Auto

Theft from automobiles is a common event, but Ramsey County Sheriff's Office suggests taking these steps to minimize your risk and prevent your vehicle from being broken-into by criminals:

- **Never leave your car unlocked!** Lock your doors and roll the windows up tight.
- Do not leave valuables in your vehicle. If you leave personal property in your vehicle, make sure it is out of view.
- Before arriving at your destination, make an extra stop to lock valuables in your trunk (if you must leave them in your car).
- Remove all add-on radios, CD players, telephones, navigation devices (this includes any portable mounts).
- Park in well-lit areas or in areas visible to pedestrian and vehicle traffic.
- If you have an alarm, use it.
- Be wary when parking in places like movie theaters, gyms, or churches. Thieves know how long you'll be gone.

- Keep a record of the serial numbers for all of your valuables.
- Watch for suspicious persons. If you see any, call 9-1-1 and report them.
- When reporting suspicious activity, be as specific as possible. If safe to do so, try to get a description of the person, exact location, direction of travel, and vehicle information (license number, color, make, and model).



Always lock your doors and roll your windows up tight.

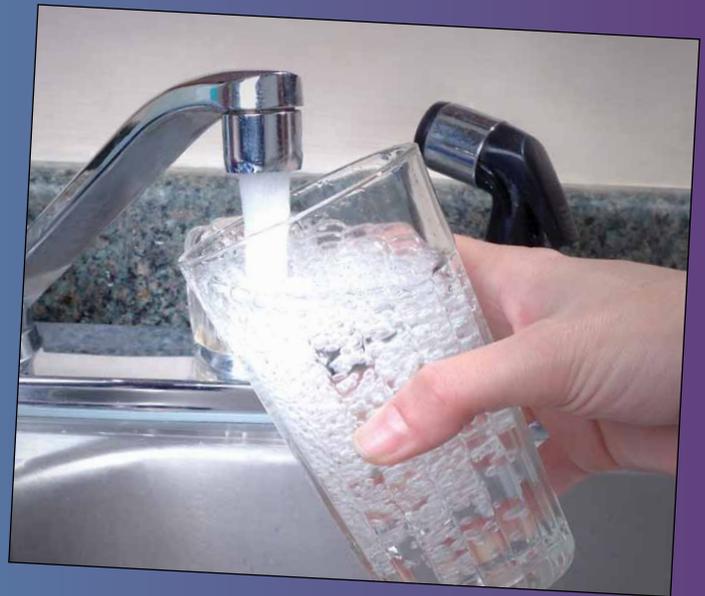
Protecting the Groundwater is Everybody's Business

Do you currently have a well that you're not using? Think about this: Unsealed abandoned wells provide direct pathways for contaminants to quickly enter groundwater. Groundwater is the main source of drinking water for most people in the metro area – and protecting it is in the best interest of your community and future generations.

If you have a well that is not currently in use and has not been sealed, please note that the State of Minnesota requires property owners to obtain a Water Well Maintenance Permit or to have the well sealed. If you choose to continue using your well for irrigation, no permit is required.

Ramsey County currently has cost share programs and loans available through the State Health Department that can assist you with the financial hurdle of having your well sealed. Call the Ramsey Conservation District at 651.266.7274 with any questions about

these programs. You can also check out the Minnesota Department of Health website for more information at www.health.state.mn.us/divs/eh/wells/sealing.



Shoreview Human Rights Commission



Winners will be announced at a future City Council meeting and broadcast on CTV Channel 16.

Shoreview Human Rights Essay Contest for 6-8 graders



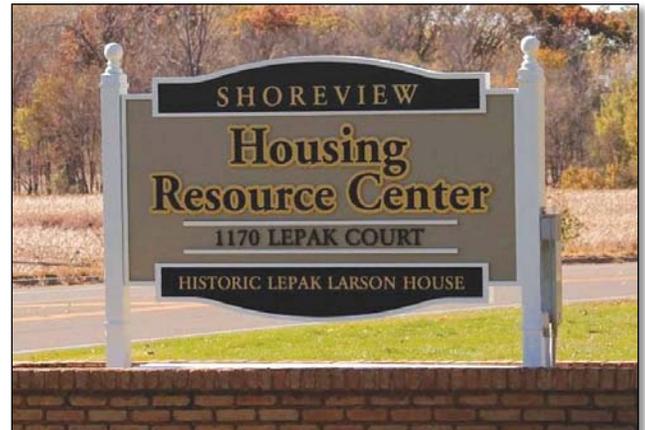
See www.shoreviewmn.gov for details

City Efforts Support the Value of Strong Neighborhoods

Survey results from the recent Community Survey found that residents take pride in the community which is due in part to our strong neighborhoods. As our neighborhoods age (the majority of homes are over 40 years old), reinvestment is needed to maintain the high quality of our housing and neighborhoods. To help facilitate reinvestment, the City Council has engaged in a multi-faceted housing program that includes five elements: partnerships, financial assistance programs, development planning and incentives, code enforcement and education. The following summarizes these efforts:

Partnerships and Financial Assistance Programs

The City has established partnerships with a number of other agencies and organizations that administer housing programs that provide financial assistance for home ownership and reinvestment. The majority of these programs are administered by the Housing Resource Center HRC; however, there are other agencies such as Ramsey County and the Neighborhood Energy Connection who also administer loan programs. One of these programs, the Shoreview Home Improvement Program, was created to specifically address the reinvestment needs of our neighborhoods and the socio-economic characteristics of our households. This program provides a maximum loan of \$20,000 for exterior and interior repairs that are intended to correct deficiencies that are present with the structure and other site improvements.



Shoreview residents can receive extensive, individualized assistance with their home improvement and home financing needs – often at no cost – at the Housing Resource Center

Development Planning and Incentives

The City has a planning program to manage the overall development of the community that promotes community stewardship and retains a high quality of life for residents and businesses. This philosophy protects the City's financial assets and investments while managing other community assets such as the environment and economy. This approach results in land use and development that benefits the community and contributes to Shoreview's high quality of life. The primary tools used to support this effort include the Comprehensive Plan, the Development Code and the Subdivision Code.

Incentives are also provided to developers if the development plan fulfills our community housing goals. The intent of these incentives is to ease the financial investment required due to higher costs associated with infill and redevelopment.

Code Enforcement and Education Programs

The City code enforcement program is designed to maintain quality neighborhoods and housing through complaint driven inspections, proactive enforcement and education programs. These programs provide citizens with information regarding the City's code enforcement process, ordinance requirements and available resources. This program is comprised of the following:

Code Enforcement Inspections

Code Enforcement inspections are generally conducted in response to public complaints reporting that a property contains a use, construction or an activity that may not be in compliance with the City Zoning and/or Building Codes.

Housing Resource Center

1170 Lepak Court
Shoreview, MN 55126
Phone: (651) 486-7401
Fax: (651) 486-7424

www.gmhchousing.org/programs/housing-resource-center

NEC – Neighborhood Energy Connection

1754 University Avenue West
Saint Paul, MN 55104
Phone: 651.221.4462
Fax: 651.221.9831
Email: info@thenec.org



The City's *SHINE* program educates residents on the importance of maintaining properties to protect property values and the quality of our neighborhoods.

SHINE

The City has also established **SHINE** (Shoreview Inspections for Neighborhood Enhancement), which is a program designed to maintain the appearance of residential neighborhoods and protect property values through education. Each year one or two neighborhoods are selected and the Code Enforcement Staff will then educate property owners on the City's property and housing maintenance codes, review neighborhoods/properties for compliance and work with property owners to resolve non-compliant conditions.

Rental Licensing

Single-family attached/detached homes, townhomes, mobile homes and multi-family dwelling units that are being used as rental properties require a Rental Housing License from the City. These dwelling units are inspected to ensure the structure and property complies with the City's property and housing maintenance codes.

Foreclosure Prevention, Tracking and Monitoring

Shoreview has responded to foreclosures and vacant residential homes in the community through a comprehensive approach that combines housing initiatives with code enforcement. The intent of this approach is to stabilize neighborhoods and help ensure that vacant or foreclosed properties are maintained in accordance with the community's standards and brought back to productive use.

For additional information on the City's efforts to preserve our strong neighborhoods, please refer to the City's website, <http://www.shoreviewmn.gov/departments/community-development>.

Tip: If you see a property that is not kept clean and maintained, please contact the City offices at 651.490.4687. Our code enforcement officer will investigate and notify the property owner, as applicable. You are not required to leave your name and contact information, but it is helpful.



Expanded Green Community Awards Program

The City of Shoreview is a great place to live. Our clean environment and general quality of life helps attract and keep new residents and businesses. The City has a tradition of environmental concern and involvement by its citizens.

The Shoreview Green Community Awards program recognizes individual and corporate efforts in three general areas: Water, energy, and general green initiatives. Many activities are considered in this award program. The expanded award considers improvements such as the installation of raingardens or shoreline buffers, renewable energy, innovative recycling or composting efforts, or green remodeling.

The goal of the program is to inform, motivate, and educate Shoreview residents by highlighting conservation practices that display innovation, conservation leadership, and activities that can be expanded to a larger number of households or businesses in Shoreview.

More information about the Green Community Awards Program will be available in the months ahead, including a timeline and application procedures. If you have any questions or wish to nominate a property, contact Jessica Schaum, Shoreview Environmental Officer, at 651.490.4665.

Good News on the Waterfront and Beyond



Are you looking for technical support and funds to install rain gardens, pervious pavers, restore your shoreline, reduce erosion or make parking lot/ property retrofits that benefit the nearest lake or wetland to you? Are you curious about other water-friendly practices? Would you like to learn to care for your lawn, gardens and winter sidewalks and driveways, using a more ecologically-sound approach? What questions do you have about water quality, habitats, lake levels or shoreline, upland or aquatic plants?

There is good news on the waterfront coming for homeowners, churches, schools, businesses and anyone interested in being watershed-friendly, proactive citizens. In 2013, Ramsey-Washington Metro Watershed District expanded its boundaries to include the land area of the former Grass Lake Water Management Organization

(GLWMO) which includes parts of Shoreview and Roseville. This change allow the cities to tap into the Watershed District's existing funding sources and move forward in the community with larger clean water projects. It also means more access to technical support, educational resources and cost share programs. Sub-watersheds in Shoreview and Roseville under this new status include Snail, Grass, Wabasso, Owasso, Emily, Judy and Bennett and their surrounding areas.

In Spring 2014, the Watershed District will offer a series of public rain garden workshops called "Stopping Water Where It Drops". Check out the District's website at www.rwmwd.org and click on the links for "News and Events". For other watershed information, please contact the District's Watershed main number at 651.792.7950.

Be a Good Neighbor: Don't Feed Wildlife

With plenty of park and open space areas, many varieties of wildlife are able to live in Shoreview, allowing residents to see deer, fox, geese, ducks, wild turkeys and other animals. However, this wildlife can become a nuisance for property owners if their populations become too concentrated in an area where there are not enough natural habitats. This often happens when homeowners either intentionally or unintentionally feed these animals.

Shoreview's City Code prohibits the feeding of wildlife in the City. It does allow for the feeding of songbirds, as long as it is done from a bird feeder placed at sufficient height or if designed to prevent access by wild animals. Many groups, including the Humane Society of the United States, either discourage or oppose the feeding of wildlife. Some key reasons include:

- Foods not formulated for animal consumption are rarely nutritionally adequate for wild animals and can cause serious health problems.

- Wildlife that become dependent on human food sources often gather in abnormally large numbers, which can spread disease in the animals.
- Feeding causes wildlife to lose their natural fear of people, and some animals can become aggressive towards people, particularly during breeding season.
- Providing food to wildlife in residential areas can lead to property damage to trees, plants, gardens, and in some cases, homes and automobiles.
- Pets, particularly dogs, can potentially become involved in altercations with wildlife, exposing both the wildlife and the pets to injury and/or disease.



Reduce Your Use of Salt This Winter

Winter Maintenance Tips from Rice Creek Watershed District

Minnesotans often have a love/hate relationship with winter due to the cold temperatures as well as the snow and ice commonly found on our roads, parking lots, and sidewalks. The most common reaction for dealing with these issues – besides staying indoors – is to apply salt, which contains chloride and can be harmful to aquatic life such as fish.

When snow and ice melts, the salt goes with it, washing into our lakes, streams, wetlands, and groundwater. It takes only 1 teaspoon of road salt to pollute 5 gallons of water. Once in the water, there is no way to remove the chloride. High concentrations of chloride can harm fish and plant life and can also have a negative impact on your grass, gardens and trees. Therefore, less is more when it comes to applying road salt.

To reduce the negative impacts of salt:

- **Shovel.** The more snow and ice you remove, the less salt you will have to use, and the more effective it will be in terms of keeping your driveways and sidewalks safe.
- **15°F and below, the salt must go.** Most salts stop working at this temperature. Use sand instead for traction, but remember that sand does not melt ice.



- **Slow down.** Drive for the conditions and make sure to give plow drivers plenty of space to do their work.
- **Be patient.** These products take time to work and are not always visible to the naked eye.
- **More is NOT better.** Use less than 4 pounds of salt per 1,000 square feet (an average parking space is about 150 square feet). One pound of salt is approximately a heaping 12-ounce coffee mug. Consider purchasing a hand-held spreader to help you apply a consistent amount.
- **Sweep up.** Salt or sand that is visible on dry pavement is no longer doing any work and will be washed away. Use this salt or sand somewhere else or throw it away.

Recycle Your Holidays™

Get rid of unusable holiday lights and electrical cords – the right way

Don't know what to do with those tangled strings of holiday lights that no longer work – or those electrical cords that are fried or frayed? Making the switch to energy-efficient LED holiday lights? Either way, recycle the old lights using Recycle Your Holidays™ – a one-of-a-kind, statewide holiday light recycling program in Minnesota created and managed by the Recycling Association of Minnesota (RAM).



Drop off unwanted light strings at the Ramsey Household Hazardous Waste Collection Site at **Bay West, Inc.** located at **5 Empire Drive in St. Paul**. This location offers year-round recycling drop-offs.

For more information or to find other drop-off locations, visit www.recycleminnesota.org/programs/recycle-your-holidays. You can also call Ramsey County's Recycling and Disposal hotline at 651.633.EASY (3279), 24/7, or visit RamseyAtoZ.com for more info.



The Shoreview Environmental Quality Committee presents:

The 2014 Environmental Speaker Series
Save the dates: Jan 15, Feb 19, March 19, April 16
7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers

Hear experts on topics such as increasing your home energy efficiency, get a behind-the-scenes glimpse of stormwater management, and more current environmental issues! Please call 651.490.4665 for more information, or watch for details on the City's website at www.shoreviewmn.gov.



Join the Shoreview Historical Society!

Learning about Shoreview's history can be fun, especially if you are part of it. The Shoreview Historical Society (SHS) has been around since 1991, celebrating the various events – big and small, historical and otherwise in our community – looking all the while to our past. You'd be surprised the things we've found out about all the different folks of days gone by.



Every year, the Shoreview Historical Society selects an individual or family that best exemplifies long-term service and involvement to the betterment of the Shoreview community. In recognition of this, a Heritage Family reception will take place in April 2014.

Visit the Shoreview Historical Society online at <http://shoreviewhistoricalsociety.org> to learn more.

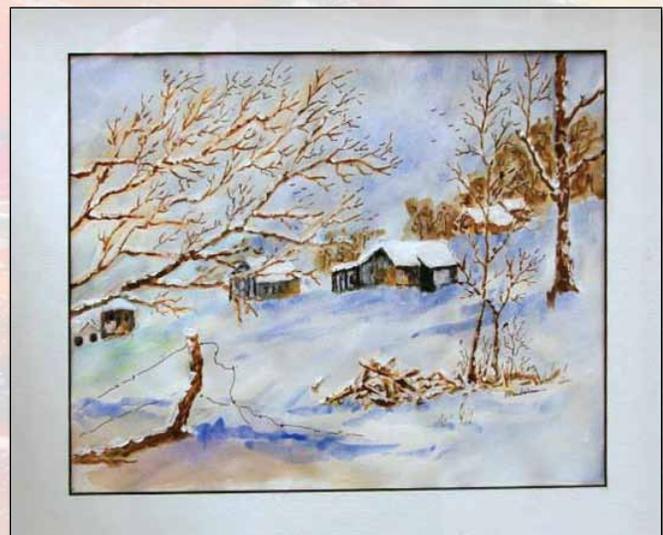
Stop by and see the Shoreview Historical Society's display at the Shoreview Community Center. If you have a collection of historical memorabilia that you would like displayed in the SHS display case, please contact Lu Slaten at slatenews@gmail.com



Small Works Say a Lot: Gallery 96's Fireside Room Exhibit

Next time you are in the Shoreview Community Center, stop by and see the works of Gallery 96 artists on display in the glass cases of the Fireside Room (on the main floor of the building). From January through March 2014, Gallery 96 will be showcasing its sixth annual "Small Works" exhibition there, featuring artworks of various mediums which are no larger than 7"x 7" or 49 square inches.

The mission of Gallery 96 Art Center is to display the visual art of the community and to educate the community about the visual arts. Learn more about them by visiting www.gallery96.org.



Shoreview resident Don Bendickson was awarded 1st Prize and \$300 for his entry, "Big Snow," in Gallery 96's Fall Show, "The Art of Nature, The Nature of Art," held in November at the Ramsey County Library.

New Year, New Opportunities to Make a Difference in 2014

Northeast Youth & Family Services, a non-profit social service and mental health agency serving the Shoreview area, helps transform the lives of 4,500 youth and families every year. They are currently seeking adult volunteers who are willing to donate a little time and talent to people in need. In return, volunteers get the satisfaction in knowing they've played a vital role in preparing youth and families for successful lives at home, at school and in the workplace. Be a volunteer this year – you'll be glad you did!

Here is a list of current opportunities:

Service + Tutoring Equals Pride (STEP) Tutors

Middle-school aged youth in the STEP program need caring adults who are willing to help with homework. Volunteers do not need to be an expert in any subject, just able to work with youth who are struggling academically and socially in school. The STEP program helps youth gain new study skills, learn life skills and participate in community service projects. Tutors are needed on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings from 6-8 p.m. Volunteers can sign up for an evening that fits their schedule.

Youth Mentors

NYFS has openings for creative and compassionate adults who can serve as mentors for youth ages 11-16. Mentors don't need any special talent, just a willingness to be a stable and caring presence in the life of a child. NYFS will provide orientation, training and ongoing coaching throughout the mentorship. The mentorship experience will focus on community engagement, increasing independence, improving academics and fun. Mentor schedules are flexible. A minimum commitment of six months is needed.

Background checks and training are provided for both positions. For more information about either opportunity, please contact Tim Gusk, NYFS Out of School Time Manager at 651-379-3406 or email tim@nyfs.org.

Senior Chore Volunteers

Want to help a senior live independently in their own home and burn off a few holiday calories at the same time? Volunteer for the Senior Chore Program and help our elderly residents with indoor and outdoor chores. Adults and youth are welcome to volunteer on an ongoing or one-time basis. No special skills are needed for most service opportunities but volunteers with carpentry and plumbing experience are always welcome.

For more information, please contact Debbie Wells, Senior Chore Volunteer Coordinator, at 651-379-3451 or email debbiep@nyfs.org.



Rockin' Rotary Variety Night

The Arden Hills/Shoreview Rotary Club is presenting their first annual **Rockin' Rotary Variety Night** on Friday, Jan. 31, 2014 at the Shoreview Community Center, 4580 Victoria Street N. The Variety Night will be filled with family fun entertainment including an award-winning Barber Shop Quartet, Magic by Will, a 10-minute play presented by the Lake Shore Players, a Lebanese dance troupe, the musical group "Lovers on the Balcony," a local singer-songwriter and an appearance by Elvis.

Doors open at 6:30 p.m., and the show starts at 7:00 p.m. Advance tickets are \$15.00, or \$20.00 at the door. Children 12 and under are free with an adult. Order advance tickets online at <http://ardenhillsshoreviewrotary.org>.

Snacks and beverages will be available for purchase. All proceeds go to support the Rotary Healthy Youth Fund and Student Scholarships.

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