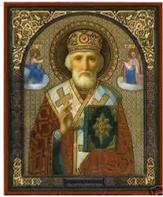




# CITY OF ST. CLAIR MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

September/October 2013



## Immaculate Conception Catholic Church Winter Festival

"Celebrating St. Nicholas"  
Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup>

### CHRISTMAS COOKIE & HOLIDAY TREAT SALE:

10 am – 1 pm in the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church  
Gathering Area

**LUNCHEON:** 11 am – 1 pm in the Church basement

**RAFFLE:** Drawing at 12 noon in the Church basement

## Garbage & Recycling

Garbage & Recycling picked up day is Friday  
... have items on the curb by 7:00 a.m.

The change to LJP Waste and Recycle (our new garbage and recycling hauler) went quite smoothly. Please remember to use the bin with the yellow lid for recyclables.

The garbage limit is 1–60-gallon cart or 2–30 gallon garbage bags weekly. Additional garbage must be tagged. Tags are available at City Hall at a cost of \$2.00 per tag.

If you need to dispose of a large item contact LJP Waste and Recycle at 507-625-1968 to make arrangements for a special pick up.

### More about Recycling ...

Acceptable recyclables include: glass, aluminum, tin cans, plastic containers, mixed paper, and corrugated cardboard. Recyclables can be co-mingled into a 'single stream', no sorting necessary.

**CORRUGATED CARDBOARD** – Flatten boxes.

**MIXED PAPER** – Flatten boxes.

**ACCEPTED:** Newspapers, magazines, catalogs, phone books, office paper, envelopes, manila folders, post-it notes, paperboard (shoe boxes, cereal and cracker boxes, etc.)

**ALUMINUM, TIN CANS, GLASS & PLASTIC CONTAINERS** –

Please rinse all containers.

**GLASS BOTTLES and JARS** (green, blue, brown and clear glass)

NO ... window glass, auto glass, mirrors, or kitchenware.

**PLASTIC BOTTLES and CONTAINERS** (including caps and lids)

Plastic items # 1 through 7

## 4<sup>th</sup> Annual St. Clair Fire Dept. Pizza Fundraiser



Hosted by Mitt's BP 

**Thursday, October 10<sup>th</sup>**  
**5:00 pm – 8:00 pm**

*during Fire Prevention Week*

Additional information and an order form  
is included with this Newsletter.

## Pet Owners ...



**keep your dog on a leash**



**don't let your dog habitually  
bark and howl**



**pick-up after your dog!**



## Don't Use Your Toilet as a Garbage Can!!!

### DO NOT FLUSH ...

- Disposable diapers
- Feminine products
- Medications
- Mop heads
- Cleaning items
- Rags
- Paper towels
- Plastic bags
- Dryer sheets
- Disposable wipes
- Bandages
- Dental Floss
- Q-tips
- Cat litter
- Any items other than toilet tissue

The sewer system is not designed to handle these kinds of items. Flushing such items can cause damage to pumps and equipment at the sewer plant, as well as, plugging sewer mains and individual sewer lines resulting in back-ups into homes.

## Medication Drop-Off Site

The Blue Earth County Environmental Services Dept., the Blue Earth County Sheriff's Dept., Xcel Energy and Mayo Clinic Health System have partnered to bring the Medication Collection Program to Blue Earth County residents.

### DROP BOX LOCATION:

Blue Earth County  
 Sheriff's Department  
 Justice Center  
 401 Carver Road  
 Mankato MN 56001  
 Hours: 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. (Monday-Friday)

### Items ALLOWED:

- Prescription Medications
- Over the Counter Medications
- Narcotics and Other Controlled Substances
- Medication Samples
- Pet Medications
- Vitamins and Supplements
- Medicated Ointments and Lotions
- Inhalers
- Liquid Medications in Glass or Leak-proof Containers

### Items NOT Allowed:

- Needles, Syringes or other Sharps
- Thermometers
- IV Bags
- Bloody or Infectious Waste
- Hydrogen Peroxide
- Business Waste

For disposal through the Blue Earth County Medication Collection Program, medications do not need to be in the original container. Remove as much packaging as possible. Containers with liquid contents should be placed in a plastic bag.

## Leaf Raking



Residents are asked not to rake leaves or mow grass clippings into the street, curb, or gutter. The City storm sewers are not designed to handle large quantities of leaves and grass clippings. This extra material may cause back-ups and clogs that could cause flooding.



## Fall Hydrant and Water Main Flushing

**SCHEDULED FOR MID-OCTOBER**

To protect the City's water supply, all St. Clair hydrants and water mains are flushed twice a year. The flushing is typically scheduled in April and October. Public Works Dept. employees flush the water mains by opening each of the 59 fire hydrants in City. The sudden rush of water loosens and removes accumulated mineral deposits from the lines. Residents may temporarily notice low water pressure while the mains are being flushed.

## Compost Site



The City of St. Clair does not maintain a compost facility. SMC offers composting services, a per-bag or per-load fee is charged. Finished compost and wood mulch are offered for sale. For current fees, please call SMC at 507-388-3122. The SMC Compost Site is located at 57032 ~ 231 Lane, Mankato (off of 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue).

**MATERIALS ACCEPTED:** leaves, grass clippings, prunings, weeds, sod stripping, vines, limbs, branches and logs.

**ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED:** animal waste, dirty stumps, plastic lawn edging, flower pots, and plastic leaf bags.