



CITY OF ST. CLAIR MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

October/November 2015

THANK YOU!
**A big thank you to everyone
who supported the
6th Annual St. Clair Fire Dept.
Pizza Fundraiser!**



The event was held from 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm on Thursday, October 8th in conjunction with Fire Prevention Week. Residents could order pizza from Mitt's BP to be delivered by the St. Clair Fire Dept. The fundraiser was a huge success with 248 pizzas ordered and delivered ... that's a pizza every 44 seconds!! Mitt's BP presented a check in the amount of \$2,400.00 (proceeds from the pizza sales) plus \$171.40 (tips!) to the St. Clair Fire Dept.

Thanks also to the Eagle Lake Fire Dept. ... they sent over a fire truck and firefighters to cover in case we had a fire or medical call during the event.

Watch for the 7th Annual St. Clair Fire Dept. Pizza Fundraiser scheduled for Thursday, October 13, 2016!

Ty and Rachel Mittelstaedt, Mitt's BP

**St. Clair Children's Theater Presents
'THE LOST LIST –
A Very Squiggly Christmas'**



**Saturday,
Dec. 5th at 5 pm
Sunday,
Dec. 6th at 2 pm**

**Saturday,
Dec. 19th at 5 pm
Sunday,
Dec. 20th at 2 pm**

at the ST. CLAIR AMERICAN LEGION

TICKETS: \$8.00 at the door

(half of the proceeds will be donated to 'Toys for Tots')

EVENT INCLUDES: the Play, Milk & Cookies, Tree Trimming and a Picture with Santa! *PARENTS ... don't forget your camera!!*



**Christmas in St. Clair
Saturday, Nov. 28th
St. Clair School**

9:00 am – 2:00 pm

Largest Craft and Vendor Show in the area ... 70+ booths

10:00 am – 12:00 noon

Santa and Mrs. Claus

Live Reindeer ... Horse Drawn Carriage Rides

Bake Sale and Concessions

Professional Photographer on Site ... Door Prizes

***** THIS IS A FREE EVENT *****

Come and enjoy our small town charm!

For more information go to christmasinstclair.blogspot.com
or e-mail christmasinstclair@gmail.com

**Immaculate Conception
Catholic Church**

Winter Festival

**'Celebrating St. Nicholas'
Saturday, December 5th**



CHRISTMAS COOKIE & HOLIDAY TREAT SALE:

10 am – 12 noon in the Church Gathering Area. Pick-out an assortment of cookies from a HUGE array of Christmas Cookies (\$5.00/pound) ... ALSO, pre-priced Christmas treats & candies.

CUTEST CUPCAKE CONTEST: A cash prize will be awarded for the cutest 1-dozen cupcakes submitted, AND for the cupcakes bringing the highest bid. Deliver by 9 am on Sat., Dec. 5th; bidding will conclude at 10 am on Sun., Dec. 6th.

ST. NICHOLAS DAY FUN FOR KIDS: 10 am in the Religion Building (across from the Catholic Church).

LUNCHEON: 11 am – 1 pm in the Church basement
Adults: \$6, Students: \$4, Children 4 and under: FREE

RAFFLE: Raffle Drawing at 12 noon in the Church Basement.

PROBLEMS AT THE CITY WASTEWATER (SEWER) TREATMENT PLANT

DO NOT pour/dump/flush chemicals, cleaners, paint, oil, fuel, etc. down the drain!!!

The 'dirty' water leaving your home or business when you flush the toilet, run the dishwasher/washing machine, pull the bathtub/sink drain or anything else that goes down the drain is referred to as 'wastewater'. The 'wastewater' from every home and business in town ends up in the City of St. Clair Wastewater (Sewer) Treatment Plant. The process of removing and dissolving 'solids' from the wastewater collected at the Wastewater Treatment Plant is quite complex. A balance of 'good bacteria' and 'bad bacteria' is required in the Plant for the removal and dissolving process to function and operate efficiently. The Plant is monitored and tested daily to ensure compliance with MN Pollution Control Agency (PCA) rules and regulations. About a month ago, someone dumped, poured or flushed some type of fuel or chemical down their drain or toilet. When this fuel or chemical reached the Wastewater Treatment Plant it killed off most of the good bacteria in the Plant. This caused a serious problem at the Plant and created a major disruption in the balance between good and bad bacteria. Thankfully our Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator, Mark Krenik, has been able to keep the Plant operating, has continued to comply with PCA testing requirements and has avoided failed tests and costly fines. He has worked hard to get the Plant back on track, but it's been a month and the Plant still isn't back to normal.

The Public Works Supervisor and the City Council urges residents and business owners to dispose of items properly. DO NOT pour, dump or flush anything inappropriate down the drain ... NO chemicals, fuels, oils, cleansers, grease, solvents, paint, paint thinner, etc., etc., etc. Problems like this can have serious ramifications to the Plant and can be extremely costly to both the City and its residents.



Holiday Garbage & Recycling Schedule

There will be a one (1) day delay in garbage and recycling pick-up services during the week of the following holidays:

- Thanksgiving – pick-up will be Saturday, Nov. 28th
- Christmas – pick-up will be Saturday, Dec. 26th
- New Year's – pick-up will be Saturday, Jan. 2nd



FIRE PREVENTION EDUCATION

THANK YOU to Kyle Froehlich, Troy Goettl, Paul Froehlich, Jason Weinandt and Brad Flowers from the St. Clair Fire Dept. for taking time out of their busy schedules to present the Fire Prevention Education and Safety Program to area children during Fire Prevention Week. The program was presented to 101 children in Kindergarten and 1st Grade on October 6th, 10 children from Follow-Me Pre-School on October 7th, and 18 children and parents from Early Childhood Family Education (ECFE) on October 13th.

WINTER REMINDERS



In the interest of public safety, St. Clair residents are urged to be good neighbors and motorists and follow the City the Snow Plowing and Snow Removal Ordinance. The following is a summary of the Ordinance:

- Use off-street parking after any snowfall of 1" or more until the street has been plowed curb to curb. If snowplows are forced to go around parked vehicles, the snow surrounding the car can create a hazard to the traveling public as well as plow operators and equipment. Vehicles that have been parked on the street longer than twenty-four (24) hours after a snowfall event and have prohibited the complete clearing of the street are subject to towing and impounding.
- The resident/occupant of any property abutting a public sidewalk is responsible for ice and snow removal. All ice and snow must be removed from public sidewalks within 36 hours after the ice or snow has ceased to fall. If the sidewalk is not cleared within the designated time the City will hire it done at a charge to the property owner of \$50.00 per time.
- Residents with mailboxes are responsible for snow removal around the mailbox. .
- Dumping, blowing, shoveling, plowing or depositing snow onto or across any public street or alley is not allowed.
- No obstructions (garbage/recycling containers, landscaping items, basketball hoops or obstacles and items of any kind) should be placed on the road right-of-way, boulevard, street or alley in such a manner as to interfere with snow plowing and snow removal operations.
- The City is not be responsible for damage to vehicles, fences, play equipment, basketball hoops, landscaping items and other objects parked or placed on the City road right-of-way. The City road right-of-way is approx. 10' from the curb or the edge of the street on uncurbed streets.

Please contact the City Clerk at 245-3494 with questions or for more information regarding the Snow Plowing and Removal Ordinance.