

# ROSEMOUNT

## SPIRIT OF PRIDE AND PROGRESS

**Join your neighbors on Night to Unite: Tuesday, August 2**  
**Register your neighborhood celebration by July 24**



Rosemount neighborhoods continue to participate in Night to Unite, sponsored by the Minnesota Crime

Prevention Association, AAA of MN/Iowa, and local law enforcement. It's the night when we celebrate our strong neighborhoods and community partnerships.

On Night to Unite residents of Rosemount and across Minnesota are asked to lock their doors, turn on outside lights, and spend the evening outside with neighbors. Many neighborhoods throughout Rosemount will be hosting a variety of special events such as block parties, cookouts, visits from Police, Fire, and local officials, contests, and youth activities.

The connections that are made and strengthened through Night to Unite carry far beyond one evening. Close-knit neighborhoods are safer because neighbors look out for each other and know when something suspicious is occurring. It's the perfect way to get to know your neighbors and build a safer community. Last year 66 parties were held in Rosemount and we hope this year there will be even more.

Police, Fire, Public Works, and other City representatives will visit registered block parties between the hours of 6:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. They will also collect personal hygiene products to assist Dakota County families in need. Items are needed such as toilet paper, shampoo, soap, tooth brushes, toothpaste, and deodorant.

If you would like to organize a Night to Unite celebration in your neighborhood, please contact the Rosemount Police Department at 651-322-3122, visit [www.ci.rosemount.mn.us/NTU](http://www.ci.rosemount.mn.us/NTU), or email [julie.pulkrabek@ci.rosemount.mn.us](mailto:julie.pulkrabek@ci.rosemount.mn.us). Registration is due by July 24.



### Rebates available for water-saving replacements

Need a new clothes washing machine or toilet? Here's how to get a bargain. The City of Rosemount is participating in a rebate program for replacements that save water and energy. The appliances must be installed in existing homes, not new construction. Rebates of up to \$150 are available for washers, up to \$50 for toilets, and up to \$150 for irrigation controllers. The purchases must qualify as Energy Star or WaterSense certified. Those products meet federal standards to conserve natural resources.



Grants are provided through the Metropolitan Council with funding from the Clean Water Land & Legacy Fund. To learn more visit [www.ci.rosemount.mn.us/publicworks](http://www.ci.rosemount.mn.us/publicworks).

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## New options to pay water/sewer bills

The City of Rosemount is offering new features to make it easier to send payments for water and sewer bills. A free mobile app is available for smartphones to track your account, allowing safe payment by credit card. Find it by searching **Payment Service Network** in the app store.



And soon, the City's online system will include a new "Quick Pay" feature, allowing customers to make a one-time credit or debit card payment without creating an online account. Watch for the link to PSN at [www.ci.rosemount.mn.us/billpay](http://www.ci.rosemount.mn.us/billpay) for this new option. (The City no longer accepts credit or debit card payments for utility bills over the phone at City Hall, but phone payments can be made through the City's payment processor, PSN. Be sure to have your complete account number ready before calling PSN at 877-885-7968.)

Signing up for online billing and payment simplifies your life and allows the City utility to avoid printing and postage costs if you enroll in paperless billing. Visit the link above to learn how easy it is.

## Thanks for adopting a street!

The City of Rosemount would like to thank the following groups for their hard work and dedication while participating in the City's "Adopt a Street" program:

- RHS Boys Hockey
- MRCI WorkSource
- The Chum-Phan Family
- Cub Scouts Troop 270
- Teens Who Care
- St. Joe's Pack 207 Cub Scouts
- Rosemount Police Reserves
- Quist Family
- RHS DECA
- The Greystone Community

Twice each year, these groups clean their designated street and right-of-way, making our community a cleaner place to work and live. If you are interested in participating in the "Adopt a Street" program, please contact the Public Works Department at 651-322-2022.

## Fire Department uses new tech to increase effectiveness of CPR



Technology is an ever-changing game, and the Rosemount Fire Department is keeping up to date. In June, the Fire Department added another tool to its arsenal, which will increase Firefighters' effectiveness while performing CPR.

Recently HealthEast Medical Transportation, which provides ambulance service in the City of Rosemount, reached out to Fire Chief Rick Schroeder. The company informed the Chief that Fairview Ridges Hospital was offering to donate new CPR-administering devices to fire departments. The devices will increase the effectiveness of CPR by 49%.

This month Firefighters were trained by HealthEast and Zoll Medical on the new ResQPUMP device. A suction cup on the device is applied to the chest area of a patient to return more blood to the heart. The concept was created in 1985, after a California resident used a toilet plunger on his father, who had gone into full cardiac arrest, and brought him back to life. The ResQPUMP was created by Zoll Medical, which predicts it will save thousands of lives a year. Rosemount Fire will officially receive the four new ResQPUMPS in July and will put them into service immediately.

Chief Schroeder would also like to remind residents and businesses to register their cellular and other contact telephone numbers along with their email addresses with the Dakota Communications Center to ensure they are included in the Mass Telephone Notification System. This will allow quick alerts in emergencies that may affect their health or welfare, including evacuation notices and missing child alerts. It's an easy process to do: just go to [www.mn-dcc.org](http://www.mn-dcc.org), click on Community Notification, and then click on Register to set up your profile. By registering, you can make changes in the future as well as remove your number from the database if needed. These notifications are rarely sent, but are effective when needed, and are only initiated by the local fire or police departments.

# ROSEMOUNT CITY NEWS

## WELCOME NEW BUSINESSES

*The Rosemount Senior Living*

*B2 Design Build LLC*

## PLANNED:

*Swag Shop*

*Culver's*

*Arby's*

*Chipotle*

## Open to Business helps entrepreneurs

Got an idea to start a business or expand one? The Open to Business service can lend a hand. The City of Rosemount joined this economic development initiative three years ago to provide free consultations on starting a company and finding funding. Advice is available on accounting, records, business plan development, networking, and more. Counselor Laurie Crow holds open office hours at Rosemount City Hall on the fourth Wednesday of the month from 1 to 3 p.m. and can schedule other times at 952-484-3107 or [lcrow@mccdmn.org](mailto:lcrow@mccdmn.org).

## Remember to vote in August 9 primary as well as November 8 general election

Rosemount voters can go to the polls in August and November to have a say in leadership of the City, county, state, and nation. Two seats on the Rosemount City Council are up for election. Five candidates will appear on the ballot for the August 9 primary. The top four in the primary will advance to the general election on November 8. Several other races will be on the ballots, including an opening on the Rosemount-Apple Valley-Eagan school board that will be decided on August 9.

Under Minnesota law, voters no longer need an excuse to cast their ballots before election day. They can request an absentee ballot to vote through the mail or in person at Rosemount City Hall. They can also come into City Hall during the week before each election to fill out a standard ballot and put it into a voting machine themselves. Rosemount continues to recruit election judges to serve in August and November.

Two of Rosemount's seven polling places have changed since the 2014 elections. To look up where you can vote, to apply to become a judge, and for more information on the rest, please visit the Elections webpage at [www.ci.rosemount.mn.us/vote](http://www.ci.rosemount.mn.us/vote).



## Leprechaun Days, July 22-31

Rosemount's premiere community celebration returns with old and new favorites.

The Grand Parade has been moved back to the second Saturday (July 30).

For the latest schedule updates, visit [www.rosemountevents.com](http://www.rosemountevents.com).



### FRIDAY, JULY 22

- Rosemount Area Seniors' Official Rosemount Leprechaun Days Button Sales
- Puppets in the Park

### SATURDAY, JULY 23

- 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Run for the Gold
- Rosemount Area Hockey Association Street Hockey Tournament
- Human Foosball Tournament
- Crazy Hair

### SUNDAY, JULY 24

- Free Open Skating
- Rosemount Pipers Family Day
- Rosemount Lions Kiddie Parade
- Cub in the Park with Friends

### MONDAY, JULY 25

- Leprechaun's Lost Medallion Hunt
- Rad Zoo
- Kids Dance
- Sidewalk Chalk Contest
- Boomfest Workout in the Park
- Rosemount Community Band Concert in the Park



### TUESDAY, JULY 26

- Blarney Stone Hunt
- Leprechaun Days Picnic
- Ice Cream Truck and Fun
- Hamster Races

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 27

- Wet 'n' Wild Day
- Family Bingo
- Velvet Tones Root Beer Floats
- Trike, Big Wheel and Scooter Races
- Penny Scramble
- UltraScreen

### THURSDAY, JULY 28

- Youth Fishing Derby
- Rosemount High School Football Boosters Punt, Pass and Kick Competition
- Creative Catapults
- 4v4-Leaf Clover Girls Lacrosse Tournament
- Family Fun
- Full Bingo Session
- Leprechaun Days Entertainment
- Karaoke



### FRIDAY, JULY 29

- Puppets in the Park
- Midsummer Faire & Amusement Rides
- Steak Under the Stars
- Leprechaun Days Entertainment
- Rockin' at the Legion

### SATURDAY, JULY 30

- Waffle and Sausage Breakfast
- Grand Day Parade
- Lightin' Up Family Block Party
- Leprechaun Days Children's Book Giveaway
- Petting Zoo
- Irishette Dance Team Performance
- Family Bingo with Chuck Brooks
- BBQ Chicken & Corn Feed
- Commander's Annual Bean Bag Tournament
- Midsummer Faire & Amusement Rides
- Leprechaun Days entertainment
- Rockin' at the Legion
- Fireworks

### SUNDAY, JULY 31

- Sneaky Pete's Garden Tractor Pull
- Open Skating – Free



## ROSEMOUNT WATER MEETS OR EXCEEDS ALL FEDERAL DRINKING WATER STANDARDS

*The 2015 Water Quality Report is now available and can be viewed and printed from our website at [www.ci.rosemount.mn.us/](http://www.ci.rosemount.mn.us/)*

*[waterquality](http://www.ci.rosemount.mn.us/waterquality). If you have questions about the report, please contact the Public Works Department at*

## WATERING RESTRICTIONS

*From May 1 through August 31, lawn and landscape watering is restricted to odd-even days (based on house address).*

*Watering is prohibited between 12 noon and 6 p.m. each day for all residents. Only those with new sod or landscaping are allowed to water outside the normal restricted times.*

*Please contact Rosemount Public Works at 651-322-2022 if you have any questions.*

## Conservation efforts help City provide clean, safe water

The Rosemount Public Works Department works hard to provide adequate amounts of clean, safe drinking water to residents and businesses. The following information is provided to encourage citizens to actively participate in protecting our precious water resources.

With four towers and eight wells, our water system is able to pump a maximum of 8.6 million gallons of water each day. While our average usage outside the summer months is 1.8 million gallons per day, our average usage during the summer jumps to 3.6 million gallons per day. (Our peak day last summer was 6.1 million gallons.) The City enforces a water restriction ordinance to distribute demand on the system and prevent peak daily water consumption from exceeding the capacity of the system.

In recent years, cities around the metro area have been focusing on water conservation in response to the increased demand on the underground aquifers that provide water to our systems. Water is being drawn from these aquifers more quickly than they can recharge. Conserving water is one way to help restore these aquifers to their needed levels. Here are some easy ways you can conserve water both inside and outside your home:

### OUTDOORS

- DON'T collect grass clippings when you mow; the clippings provide shade for the soil and help prevent evaporation.
- DON'T water your lawn between 12 noon and 6 p.m., when the highest rate of evaporation occurs.
- DO position your sprinklers so the water lands on the lawn or garden, not on paved areas.
- DO consider purchasing "smart" irrigation system sensors to help regulate the amount of water used on your lawn. Rebates are available to help offset the cost. Visit [www.ci.rosemount.mn.us/publicworks](http://www.ci.rosemount.mn.us/publicworks) to learn more.

### INDOORS

- Turn off the faucet when brushing teeth or shaving.
- Fully load dishwashers and washing machines before running.
- Check for leaks and make repairs quickly.
- Install water-efficient toilets, faucets, showerheads, and washing machines. Rebates are available for some appliances. See first page of this newsletter for details.

### Easy Ways to Reduce Water Pollution

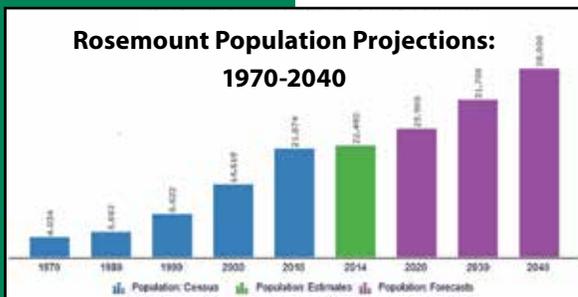
Best Management Practices (BMPs) are actions you can take at home to reduce water pollution. Even if you don't own waterfront property, the things you do to your home and yard directly impact the quality of nearby lakes, streams, and wetlands. Stormwater that passes over your yard, driveway, and sidewalk travels directly from your property to the nearest body of water (pond, lake, stream, or wetland). Runoff entering your curbside storm drain is not "cleaned" or treated before entering nearby water bodies. Pollutants in runoff may include sediment, yard chemicals, automotive fluids, pet or farm animal waste, and other debris. Please practice these BMPs:

- Clean up pet waste and dispose of it in the trash. Pet waste contains harmful bacteria.
- Sweep up fertilizer that spills onto hard surfaces.
- Sweep grass clippings off the street, driveway, or sidewalk after mowing. Grass clippings can add phosphorus to our waters.
- Remove leaves and other plant debris from the street.
- Never pour waste directly into storm drains.
- Wash your car on the lawn or take it to a commercial car wash. Waste water at a commercial car wash is treated through the sanitary sewer system.
- Plant a rain garden.
- Allow stormwater and melting snow to soak into your yard as much as possible.
- Direct your downspout onto your lawn or into a rain barrel for watering at a later date.
- Avoid directing runoff onto hard, impervious surfaces such as the driveway or sidewalk.

## Comprehensive Plan update underway

*Public participation encouraged throughout planning process*

What will Rosemount look like 25 years from now? Where will an additional 15,000 residents live within the City? The City of Rosemount has begun working on a major update to its Comprehensive Plan that will attempt to answer these and other questions about the future of our community. Rosemount, like other communities in the Twin Cities Metropolitan Area, is required to update its Comprehensive Plan every ten years. The update is expected to take up to two years to complete, with a final plan being adopted in 2018.



The Rosemount Comprehensive Plan is a planning document that contains information concerning a wide range of topics that will have an impact on land use in the City. The central component of the plan is a future land use map that guides all land within the community for a specific use, including residential, agricultural, commercial, industrial, public, or other defined uses. In addition, the Comprehensive Plan incorporates other elements relating to land use, including separate sections for transportation, water supply, waste water, storm water, and housing. The Plan will also include a separate chapter concerning resiliency that focuses on identifying ways the City can best manage available resources to respond to, withstand, and

recover from adverse situations. All of these sections will be assembled into one document to serve as a guide for all future land use decisions in the City.

The City's Comprehensive Plan was last updated in 2008, and contains projections for community growth out to the year 2030. The update will extend the planning period out an additional ten years to 2040. Rosemount's total population is estimated at 23,244 persons today, and is expected to grow to 38,000 persons by 2040. In order to accommodate this growth, the City will need to add between 5,000 and 6,000 new housing units to the existing housing supply. The Plan will not only help guide where growth and development will occur, but will establish the overall plan for providing public services, roads, parks, and trails throughout the City.

In order to provide opportunities for public participation through the planning process, the City will be conducting a series of neighborhood meetings with a focus on three Small Neighborhood Study Areas: Downtown Rosemount, the southeast portion of the community east of Highway 52, and the north central rural area. The City has conducted initial meetings, with over 100 residents attending the North Central Rural meeting and around 20 participating in the Southeast Area meeting. Some of the issues raised at these meetings included:

- The appropriate timing and location for future infrastructure improvements.
- The potential impact of future growth on the current transportation system.
- How to ensure that new development is connected with the rest of the community.
- How to plan for a transition from rural and agricultural uses to urban development.
- Where expansion of the future urban service area for the City (for sanitary sewer service) should occur.

The City is seeking ways to continue efforts to revitalize Downtown Rosemount and will evaluate opportunities to plan for additional commercial and residential growth in the study area. Rosemount will be updating a Downtown market study from 2004 as part of this process, and the information from this study will serve as a focal point for future conversations about Downtown.

The input from these meetings will be used to help draft amendments to the City's Comprehensive Plan, and additional small area meetings will be conducted throughout the process.

Rosemount residents who have an interest in the future of their community are encouraged to participate in the upcoming small area planning efforts. A larger, community-wide Comprehensive Plan meeting will be conducted in August. Updates throughout the planning process will be available on the City's website. For more information, please contact Rosemount Community Development at 651-322-2051.

*Rosemount's population is expected to reach 38,000 by 2040.*

*The City of Rosemount has selected three areas of the community for small group discussions.*





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## **New apartment complex provides affordable housing for seniors**

*Cambrian Commons opened in June to provide seniors with affordable housing. Built by the Dakota County Community Development Agency, the new building on South Robert Trail offers independent living in 60 units of one or two bedrooms. The City helped assemble the project by applying for and receiving a grant from the Met Council's Livable Communities program. To learn more and add your name to a waiting list, phone the CDA at 651-675-4504.*

