

CITY OF SAINT PETER HOT SHEET



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SCHOOL'S OUT YOUTH OPPORTUNITIES– Here's a fantastic opportunity to join Recreation and Leisure Services Department staff in several opportunities for area youth during MEA weekend. (Do they still call it MEA or are we showing our age?!) Activities are scheduled both Thursday, October 20th and Friday, October 21st. Here's what's happening....

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- Thursday, October 20 from 1–3 p.m. youth in grades K-6 are invited to come to the Library to capture Pokémon, design their own pokeball, make a Pokémon cube, and/or battle Pokémon with teammates! We'll drop a lure at the library PokeStops



at 2 p.m. Kids will not need a phone or the app to participate in other activities.

- It's craft time at the Library on Friday, October 21st when craft supplies will be available between 10:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. while supplies last. Bring your creativity!
- And finally, the Community Center will have Open Gym from 1–5 p.m. on both Thursday and Friday.

ELECTION UPDATE– Hey, did you know there is an election coming up? Sure, everyone knows that, but there are still some things you might not know like how to vote by absentee ballot, where your polling place is, and what hours voting is available. So here's the scoop....

- Eligible voters in Minnesota can now vote by absentee without any excuse. If you want to cast an absentee ballot and skip standing in line on Election Day, you can do

so at the Nicollet County Government Center (501 South Minnesota Avenue) between now and November 7th. The Public Services Department (formerly the County Auditor's Office), will be open during regular business hours for absentee voting. The Department will also be open the Saturday before election day from 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. for absentee voting.

- Did you miss the pre-registration deadline (which was October 18th at 5:00 p.m.) and still need to register? You can do so at the polls on November 8th by showing proper proof of residence and completing a voter registration form. The acceptable proofs of residence are available for your review at [PROOF OF RESIDENCE](#). Only the documents shown on that list are acceptable to prove where voters live and Election Judges are not allowed to accept any other document.
- Saint Peter voters cast their votes at either the National Guard Armory (1120 North Swift Street) or the Community Center (600 South Fifth Street). If you aren't sure what Ward and Precinct you live in and where you vote, check out this cool precinct finder... [PRECINCT FINDER](#).



- Polls are open on Tuesday, November 8th from 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
- Got campaign stickers on your vehicle? If so, don't drive it into the

parking lot of either the Community Center or the Armory on Election Day. State law prohibits campaigning anywhere on the property if a polling place is located in a

public building. If you have campaign stickers on your car, please remember to park the vehicle on the street when you go in to vote. Likewise, if you have visible campaign material on your person you'll need to remove it before entering the polling place.

Need more info on voting, check out the City's website at [ELECTIONS](#) or visit the Secretary of State's website at [SOS ELECTIONS](#).

COUNCIL WORKSHOP CANCELLED— The City Council workshop regularly scheduled for Monday, October 31st has been cancelled. It will not be rescheduled.

SAINT PETER POLICE OFFICER SAVES LIVES - While on routine patrol during the early morning hours of Tuesday, October 11, 2016, Saint Peter Police officer Joshua Klaseus, a two year veteran of the Police Department, saw smoke and began to investigate.

Officer Klaseus rolled down the squad car window and could quickly tell that something was on fire. As he drove in the area of Old Minnesota Avenue and Dodd Avenue, he located a single family residence partially engulfed in flames and smoke. He immediately informed the communications center to send Saint Peter Fire Department.

Seeing no one outside the house Officer Klaseus ran to a north side entrance door discovering it unlocked. As he opened the door he was overtaken by smoke. He began to yell "Police", "Anyone in here?".



While putting his own life in danger he walked into the house while continuing to yell. He then heard a dog bark. While using his flashlight he was only able to see a short distance.

He then heard a female voice and directed her out the door. She then asked where "Jack" was and said her son was still inside and she attempted to reenter the house but was stopped by Officer Klaseus. As Officer Klaseus reentered the house he was met by a male cradling an infant. At this time Officer Klaseus saw flames on the interior south wall. He then gathered the family together outside and learned there were no more occupants of the house.

The residents said they had no idea their home was on fire until the arrival of Officer Klaseus. Officer Klaseus' observations and quick action

undoubtedly saved three lives as well as the lives of the family's two dogs.

CURBSIDE LEAF COLLECTION - Leaves and grass clipping collection for properties located south of Broadway Avenue will begin at 7:00 am on Monday, October 24th. Collection for properties located north of Broadway Avenue will begin at 7:00 am on Monday, November 7th.

Leaves must be placed within six feet (6') of the curb line and should be parallel to the curb. Please do not put the materials in the street or in bags and do not include animal wastes with the leaves. Do not place leaves or grass clippings by trees, posts, etc. and please do not park in front of the materials until pick-up is complete.



The collection process takes a long time to complete, (it took five weeks in 2015), and in order to complete the process before it snows, crews sometimes have to start before all the leaves have fallen. To be fair to all, the crews rotate which end of the community they start on each year.

For those living on a corner lot, please note that it is possible that one side of your property will be picked up before the other as the trucks run north to south and then east to west to be more efficient in the collection process. If you want your materials collected on the same day, please make sure to place the materials on the same side of your lot. There is no alley collection.

Crews only go through an area once; so if your yard waste is not out by the dates and times mentioned above it will not be picked up but can be taken to the City's yard waste drop-off site located at the intersection of North Swift Street and West St. Julien Street.

If you have questions about this collection process, please contact the Public Works Department at 934-0670.



HALLOWEEN SAFETY – In the next couple of weeks Saint Peter children will engage in one of the most treasured traditions of childhood....Trick of Treating! And while this wholesome, family activity brings back memories of our own childhoods, things have gotten a bit more risky for kids these days and children have be wiser and more aware of their

surroundings to be safe on Halloween. Here are some McGruff safety tips everyone in the family should be reminded of....

- Never, ever go into a stranger's house while trick or treating.
- Only ring the door of homes with lights on.
- Only cross streets at designated intersections.
- Never cross the street from between two parked cars. Drivers can't see little ones when they dart out from between a car. Only cross at designated intersections.
- Wear makeup instead of masks which can obstruct a child's vision. That will make it easier for the children to cross intersections and go up and down stairs.
- Keep costumes short to prevent trips, falls and other bumps in the night.
- Carry a flashlight or glow-stick with you. It will help prevent the little ones from tripping over unseen obstacles in lawns and gives drivers a chance to see everyone from further away.
- Costumes may be highly flammable. Make sure to keep dresses or capes far away from any lit



jack-o-lanterns on the steps of the homes you visit.

- Teach children not to sample their treats until they are home and Mom and Dad can look through the candy first. Unopened candies or other treats that are in original wrappers are the best bet.
- If you are an older kid or young teen, and going out with friends, make sure that your parents know where you are going and who you are going with.
- Homeowners can prepare for their trick or treaters by turning on exterior lights, removing objects from yards that might present a hazard and making sure that pumpkins are lit with glow-sticks or other non-flammable sources.

And one more request....certain areas of the community are having underground utilities installed. They might not be done by Halloween so if you live in one of these construction areas, please turn on some extra lights to make sure the little goblins don't get hurt.

CITY MEETING CALENDAR - This calendar is subject to change. Should you have a question on a meeting date/time, please contact the City Administrator's Office at 934-0663 or visit the City's website at www.saintpetermn.gov.

Monday	October 24	7:00 p.m.	City Council meeting
Tuesday	October 25	5:30 p.m.	Heritage Preservation Commission
Wednesday	October 26	12:30 p.m.	Hospital Commission
Thursday	October 27	12:00 noon	Economic Development Authority
Friday	October 28	8:00 a.m.	Tourism and Visitor's Bureau
Monday	October 31	5:30 p.m.	City Council Workshop CANCELLED!
Tuesday	November 1	5:30 p.m.	Library Board
Monday	November 7	3:00 p.m.	City Council Goal Session
Tuesday	November 8		ELECTION DAY
Friday	November 11		VETERAN'S DAY HOLIDAY – City Offices Closed 
Monday	November 14	7:00 p.m.	City Council Meeting
Friday	November 18	8:00 a.m.	Rescheduled Tourism Bureau Meeting* (*Rescheduled due to regular date being the date after Thanksgiving.)
Monday	November 21	5:30 p.m.	City Council Workshop Session

Monday	November 21	7:00 p.m.		Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
Wednesday	November 23	12:30 p.m.		Hospital Commission
Thursday- Friday	November 24 - November 25			THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY – City Offices Closed
Monday	November 28	7:00 p.m.		City Council Meeting
Tuesday	November 29	5:30 p.m.		Heritage Preservation Commission

Please note that due to the upcoming holiday season, some meetings may be rescheduled. Please contact the City Administrator's office (934-0663) for up-to-date meeting information.