

The Arlington Report

September's Recycling Dates: September 9th & 23rd 8:00 am -11:00 am

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Rich Nagel -- Mayor
 Michelle Battcher -- Council Member
 Adam Cowell -- Council Member
 Tom Hatlestad -- Council Member
 Jim Heiland -- Council Member
 Ben Jaszewski -- Council Member

APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Laura Elvebak -- Interim Administrator
 Lisa Tesch -- Deputy Clerk
 Annie Shotliff -- Asst. Deputy Clerk
 Kirby Weckworth-- Maint. Supervisor
 Trevor Latzke -- Maint. Worker
 Pat Nienaber -- Interim Police Chief
 Jordan Voigt -- Police Officer
 Scott Sandquist -- Police Officer
 Vicki Pomplun --Admin Coord.

CONTRACTED SERVICES

Ross Arneson -- City Attorney
 Holly Krefit -- EDA Consultant
 Cynthia Smith-Strack -- Planning & Zoning Consultant
 Darin Haslip -- Building Inspector
 PeopleService -- Water/Wastewater
 Jason Femrite (Bolton & Menk) -- City Engineer

PHONE NUMBERS

City Hall: 964-2378
 Fax Line: 964-5973
 After-Hours On-Call: 507-327-6601
 Fire Garage: 964-2279
 Police Dept.: 964-5200
 Library: 964-2490
 Hospital: 964-2271
 S.E. School: 964-2292
 Post Office: 964-5503

OTHER SERVICES

Water/Sewer/Electric Services
 City of Arlington (964-2378)
Gas Service
 CenterPoint Energy (800-245-2377)
Cable Service
 Mediacom (800-332-0245)
Internet/Phone Service
 Frontier (800-435-1504)
Garbage Services
 Waste Management (800-422-5785)
 Renville-Sibley Sanitation (866-800-6244)
 Gaylord Sanitation (507-237-2274)

5TH ANNUAL PRO AUTO N.Y.A.—BULL RIDING



Pro Auto N.Y.A. and the Sibley County Fair Board are hosting the 5th Annual Bull Riding weekend for Jared Allen's Homes for Wounded Warriors. This is a two-day competition, September 8th & 9th, with some of the best bulls and riders from across the country. There will be a live auction and mutton bustin' for the kids both nights and a Polaris Ranger raffle and live music by "32 Below" Band on Saturday night. On Friday night, the bull riding starts at 7:00 p.m. On Saturday, there is a tail gate party from 3:00-6:00 pm and the bull riding starts at 6:00 p.m. Adult tickets are \$15 (every Adult ticket is also a raffle ticket), Kids age 4-12 are \$5 (Kids tickets are not raffle tickets), ages 3 and under are Free, \$2 from every Adult ticket goes to the charity. Saturday night they are giving away a Polaris Ranger 570, raffle tickets for that are \$10.00. If you need more information or would like to find out how you can donate to Jared Allen's Homes for Wounded Warriors, or to purchase tickets contact Matt Scharping at (507) 317-2641 or visit their website www.arlingtonbullriding.com.

ARLI-DAZZLE



It is hard to think about snow and winter, but now's the time to get your business or organization signed up for the 9th Annual Arli-Dazzle Parade. The Arli-Dazzle Parade, probably the LARGEST lighted Christmas parade in Minnesota, will be held on Saturday, December 2nd. Enter your parade unit now by applying online at www.arlidazzle.com. It is FREE to enter your parade unit. This year they again have the Arli-Dazzle Raffle for \$10/ticket. You have a chance to win all sorts of prizes with the Grand Prize being \$1,000.00 in cash!

FARMER'S MARKET SEPTEMBER ACTIVITIES

Every Monday evening 4-6:30 pm @ Comm. Ctr. parking lot

- ◆ 4- Market Closed for Labor Day
- ◆ 11- HOP, Home Based Business
- ◆ 18- Open Market
- ◆ 25- Last Market! HOP, Home Based Business

The City Offices will be closed Monday, September 4th in observance of the Labor Day Holiday.

BACK TO SCHOOL



Sibley East students will be back to school before we know it. Due to the construction, students will be starting a little later this year.

Students in grades 6-12 will start school on Monday, September 11th and students in grades K-5 will start Wednesday, September 13th. Please stay alert while driving around the school, as construction will continue all year and parking will be restricted.

25th ANNUAL AMBULANCE HARVEST EVENT



The Arlington Area Ambulance Association invites you to attend their 25th Annual Harvest Event fundraiser. The event will take place on Friday, September 15th, from 4:00 - 8:00 p.m. at the Arlington Community Center. The Harvest Event consists of a hog roast dinner with all of the trimmings. Refreshments will also be available. Arlington Girl Scout Troop 34324 will be helping clear the tables and selling desserts. Take-outs will also be available. Residents should have received an invitation and dinner ticket in the mail. The cost is \$20.00 for a Family Dinner ticket and \$10.00 for an Individual ticket. Please return your donation at the Arlington State Bank, Y-Not Plumbing & Heating, Thomes Brothers, the Arlington City Office, or give it to any of the Arlington Ambulance members. The money raised from this year's event will be put towards the purchase of new medical equipment. The Arlington Area Ambulance Association thanks you in advance and looks forward to seeing you on the 15th!

AFTER HOURS PHONE NUMBER

Residents are reminded to use the "After-Hours" phone number to contact City Staff when the City Offices are not open and an emergency arises. The City has assigned specific personnel to assist our residents when there is a power outage and/or water or sewer problem during non-operating hours. The designated individual should be contacted on the "After-Hours" phone at **507-327-6601**. In the event of a mass power outage, the "After-Hours" phone may be busy due to the amount of phone calls coming in. Customers are encouraged to leave a detailed message during this time and City Staff will call you back when they can.



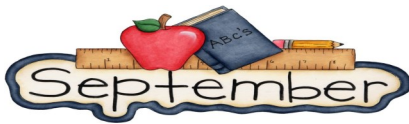
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A Beautiful City Growing in Unity



WATER SAVING TIPS AROUND THE HOUSE



Bathroom: Together, the shower, the toilet, and the faucet in your bathroom use a lot of water. In fact, toilets alone account for 30% of indoor water use in the average home. Fix leaks, one drop per second wastes more than 3,000 gallons of water per year! Fix a leaky toilet, you may not see or hear a leak, but it can waste more than 200 gallons per day! An easy way to find out if the toilet is leaking: remove the lid from the back of the toilet, place a drop of food coloring in the tank, wait 15 minutes without flushing; if the color shows up in the toilet bowl, you have a leak. Replace the fixtures, if they were installed in

the house before 1992, there's a good chance you could save money by replacing them. Install low-flow shower heads. How do you know if you have a low-flow shower head? Place a gallon bucket under the shower head, turn it on at full pressure, and time how long it takes to fill the bucket. If it takes less than 20 seconds, you could save water by installing a low-flow shower head, as they use a third less water than regular shower heads.

Laundry: One of the easiest ways to save on your utility bill is to switch to a high-efficiency washing machine. Look for the Energy Star label and you could reduce your utility bill by an average of \$50 per year. Wash full loads, the washer fills up with water whether it has one item or a full load. Use cold water, you'll save money because you're not paying to heat the water, only use hot water for very dirty loads!

Kitchen: Keep a container of drinking water in the fridge, so you won't have to run the tap every time you want a cold drink of water. Fill the sink or a pan when washing fruits or vegetables, instead of letting the water run, and you could save 50 to 100 gallons of water per month. Run the dishwasher instead of washing by hand, it uses less hot water and could save you \$40 a year. Fully load the dishwasher, it costs the same amount to wash one dish as it does to wash a full load.

Tips for kids: Have kids help you look for leaks around the house. Remind them to turn the water off while brushing their teeth, it could save as much as 8 gallons of water a day! Tell them to speed up their shower, make a game about seeing if they can beat their time from the day before. Every minute in the shower is approximately 4 gallons of water.

Source by: Project Energy Savers, LLC

AMBULANCE STILL LOOKING FOR MORE MEMBERS

If you have thought about joining the Arlington Area Ambulance Service in the past, **now might be the time**. Classes are forming and will begin in early November for certification as an EMT (Emergency Medical Technician). The classes are generally held two nights a week with the course completion date set for early February. The City of Arlington will pay your tuition for the course, provided that you pass the class and become an active member, in good standing, of the Arlington Area Ambulance Service for a minimum of one year.

This is a great opportunity for you to give back to your community and receive useful medical training that not only benefits the community, but you, your family and friends.

Please take some time and give some serious thought to joining. If you have questions about becoming an EMT, or about the Ambulance Service, feel free to contact a member of the service or Manager Kevin Sullivan at (612) 723-3166 or ksullivan@arlingtonmn.com

ARLINGTON NIGHT OUT

Our second annual Arlington Night Out was held on Tuesday, August 1st at Four Seasons Park. The event was hosted by the Arlington Police Department in collaboration with Arlington Fire and Arlington Ambulance. Approximately 350 people came out for the fun-filled evening, which was enjoyed by adults and kids alike. Event-goers took advantage of the opportunity to get to know our local PD as well as the emergency response crews. A pop-up splash pad was set up by the Fire Department for everyone to enjoy, along with entertainment by the Over 60 Band, and root beer floats served by the Arlington Lions.

We would like to extend a heart-felt "Thank You" to all of the businesses and citizens of this community that either contributed an item(s) or provided a monetary donation for this event. Because of you, we were able to continue to host this annual event within our community and provide our guests with a free meal, fun activities and prizes! Thank you for your continued support in helping us reach our goal in making this event successful. We look forward to planning this event for 2018. -Heidi Jo Fisher, Arlington Night Out Committee

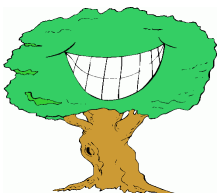
HYDRANT FLUSHING TO TAKE PLACE

PeopleService staff plan to flush hydrants in late September. During this time, water pressure may fluctuate and residents may notice some discoloration and cloudiness in the water. The water is safe to drink and should clear up in a few days. Running tap water for a short time should alleviate these problems.



TREE PLANTING EVENT- VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Saturday, September 30th 10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.



Thanks in part to the DNR Community Forestry Grant, funds were made available to purchase 30 bare root trees to plant in our City boulevards. We need your help! Volunteers are needed to plant these trees on Saturday, September 30th 10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m. The Tree Conservation Group and Tree Trust will mark out the locations and pre-dig the holes – all we need to do is plant and water! Please RSVP for this volunteer event to ensure we have ample planting and watering supplies. Contact City Office at 964-2378 or email cityhall@arlingtonmn.com.