



City of  
*St. Francis*

# NEWSLETTER

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## Message from your Mayor

Well it's finally time for the spring newsletter. Even though we still have some winter to go, the days are getting longer and that is a good sign. As in the past newsletters, I will bring you up to date on what is going on in our city.

By now I hope you have seen our new website and like how it looks along with how easy it is to find what you are looking for. If there is information you can't find, please call city hall for support.

As you have probably seen, the old gas station and car wash on Highway 47 have been demolished. I know there is a sign on the property that says "available," but I can assure you that Kwik Trip does own the property. City staff is reaching out to Kwik Trip to see if they will remove the sign so there will be no further confusion. The plan is for construction in 2019 but there is a possibility it could be sooner; we will wait and see. In the meantime the unsafe structures that were there, for a long time, are gone and that is a good start.

I know everyone is waiting for the results of the rate study. We should get them in March. Once staff and city council has reviewed them, we will put it out for public discussion. I have mentioned before that a rate study should have been done before the water treatment plant was built then updated prior to the wastewater treatment facility being built. It always makes good sense to know how much the city can afford before starting a major construction project.

Our community development director and staff are busy working on some new proposed developments that will

hopefully be starting this spring and summer. The best way for us to reduce our water rates is going to be through new development. The city receives some portion of property taxes, a one-time sewer applied charge (sac) and a one-time water applied charge (wac) along with utility user fees on new development. The more users we have will help lower the rates. Last year the city had over 70 new residential building permits, up 37 from the year before.

I would like to mention that this spring the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) is going to do a study at Pederson Drive and Highway 47 in order to see how many children and pedestrians cross that intersection. Anoka County will also be doing a traffic study at 235th Avenue NW and Rum River Boulevard NW (there has never been a study done at this intersection before).

I would like to mention to all of you if you have an issue or concern please call city hall or come to a council meeting. There are two times available during council meetings for the public to speak. This council is approachable and is willing to listen, but you have to bring your concern to our attention in order for us to address it. We will look into it and let you know what can be done. It may not be the result you want to hear, but you will know that we did the research and due diligence that you deserve. We will not leave a question you have unanswered!

When the weather starts warming up and everyone starts coming out, please remember to watch out for pedestrians.

Regards, Mayor Feldman

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## City Election—filing for office

### Qualifications for Office

Candidates must be an eligible voter in Minnesota and at least 21 years old when assuming office. They must have resided in their district for at least 30 days prior to the general election and have no other affidavit on file for any other election office.

### Filing Period

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Minnesota Statute 205.13 S 1A that a primary election will be held on August 14, 2018 and the general election will be held in the City

of St. Francis on Tuesday, November 6 for the purpose of electing candidates for the offices listed below. The filing period for these offices begins at 7:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 22 and ends at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 5. City hall is closed on Fridays and holidays. Candidates will file with the clerk of the City of St. Francis at 23340 Cree Street NW.

**Mayor** Two-year term

**Two - Council Members** Four-year term

**Filing cost** \$5.00

## Election judges needed

Serving as an election judge is an excellent way to get involved within your community. You will learn election procedures and ensure that elections are administered in a fair manner. Election judges are an essential part of our democracy and are needed more than ever.

To qualify to be an election judge, you must:

- Be at least 18 years old on Election Day and be a U.S. citizen
- Be a Minnesota resident
- Not have your voting rights revoked
- Be able to read, write and speak English
- Be able to attend a two-hour training session

You cannot be:

- The spouse, parent, child or sibling of an election judge serving in the same precinct
- The candidate or spouse, parent, child or sibling of any candidate on the ballot in the same precinct

If you are interested in learning more about being an election judge, contact City Clerk Barb Held, 763-235-2302 or [bheld@stfrancismn.org](mailto:bheld@stfrancismn.org). Application and job description can be found on the city's website at [www.stfrancismn.org/cityclerk/page/election-judge-job-description-and-application](http://www.stfrancismn.org/cityclerk/page/election-judge-job-description-and-application).

## Polling locations for St. Francis residents have changed

In December 2017, the City of St. Francis changed polling locations for Precincts 1, 2 and 3. Precinct 1 and 2 will now vote at the St. Francis Area Schools Central Service Center, 4115 Ambassador Boulevard NW. Precinct 3 will do mail balloting. This spring you will be receiving notification from Anoka County Election Department of the change in polling location. Election dates in 2018 are: primary election - August 14 and general election - November 6.

## Recycling dates to remember

### *Spring Recycling Day!*

Saturday, April 28  
8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.  
St. Francis Police & Public Works Facility  
4020 St. Francis Blvd. NW

### *LePage Recycle Days (3 Events)*

Saturday  
August 18, September 15, October 20  
9:00 a.m.-Noon  
LePage & Sons  
23602 University Ave NW  
Bethel, MN 55005

### *FREE Paper Shredding and Leaf Drop-Off Event*

Saturday, October 27  
8:00 a.m.-Noon  
St. Francis Police & Public Works Facility  
4020 St. Francis Blvd. NW

### *Leaf Drop-off Event – LEAVES ONLY*

Saturday, November 10  
8:00 a.m.-Noon  
St. Francis Police & Public Works Facility  
4020 St. Francis Blvd. NW

## Recycling reminders

Drop off your old holiday lights and cell phones year-round at the St. Francis Police & Public Works Facility in the main lobby during regular business hours.

If you live in an apartment, you may pick up a free recycling tote at the St. Francis Police & Public Works Facility during regular business hours.

Have questions on recycling? Call Public Works at 763-233-5200 or visit [www.stfrancismn.org/publicworks/page/recycling](http://www.stfrancismn.org/publicworks/page/recycling).

## What is Neighborhood Watch?

Started in 1972 by the National Sheriff's Organization, Neighborhood Watch is the cornerstone of all crime prevention programs. It enlists the active participation of residents, in cooperation with police, to reduce crimes in the community. Neighborhood Watch is a critical communications tool for our community and will educate you

about local crime trends and criminals.

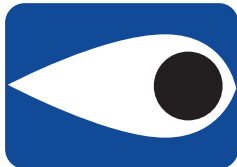
The more you know about crime, the better you will

be able to recognize suspicious activity in your neighborhood and report it by calling 911. This gives police the opportunity to check out what may or may not be a crime and perhaps prevent someone from becoming another victim in our community. Neighborhood Watch also gives the St. Francis Police Department the opportunity to answer your questions and learn about your concerns so we may serve you better.

The St. Francis Police Department believes in a strong police and community partnership. We encourage participation in the community and are looking for people who are willing to be block captains.

- Block captains are responsible for relaying information to the members on their block, keeping up-to-date information on residents, making special efforts to involve the elderly, working parents and young people.
- Block captains also serve as liaisons between neighborhoods and the police and will communicate information about meetings and crime incidents to all residents.

For those interested in being a block leader, sign up is available by calling the Community Event Line at 763-627-6195.



**NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH**  
WE LOOK OUT FOR EACH OTHER™

## April 9-13 is Severe Weather Awareness Week

Severe Weather Awareness Week is a perfect time for you and your family to practice your severe weather emergency plan. Outdoor sirens will sound on Thursday, April 12 at 1:45 p.m. and 6:45 p.m. For more information on how to stay safe during a severe weather event, go to [www.ready.gov](http://www.ready.gov).



## Crime prevention tips for the home



- Lock windows and doors, including the garage door. Unlocked doors are open invitations to intruders.
- Secure sliding glass doors with commercially available bars or locks, or put a wooden dowel or broom handle in the door track.
- Remove valuables from vehicles and lock vehicle doors.
- Use deadbolt locks on exterior doors.
- Don't hide a spare key outside such as under a bush or flowerpot.
- Remove obstructions in your yard that could conceal a burglar.
- Don't put your box for your new TV or other valuable item next to the trash can. It lets everyone know what you have inside your home.
- Leave lights on when leaving or have them on a timer to make it appear someone is home.
- When gone for an extended period of time, have a family member, close neighbor or friend pick up mail, newspapers and remove the trash can from the curb.
- Get to know your neighbors and help one another maintain a crime free neighborhood.



## National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day

Goodrich Pharmacy and the St. Francis Police Department will be taking back old or unused medications for safe disposal on Saturday, April 28, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

### *Two drop off locations:*

Goodrich Pharmacy  
(inside County Market)  
23122 St. Francis Blvd. NW  
St. Francis, MN 55070

St. Francis Police Department  
4058 St. Francis Blvd. NW  
St. Francis, MN 55070

Can't make it to either location on April 28? The St. Francis Police Department always has a drop box for safe disposal of prescription drugs available in our front lobby during normal business hours, Monday-Friday, 6:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

## Stormwater — simple steps for better water quality

You can make simple changes to reduce stormwater pollution and improve the quality of your local lake or river by following these tips:

- Fertilize established lawns with phosphorous-free fertilizer and do not overspray fertilizer into the street.
- Rake leaves and sweep grass clippings away from curbs. Clean curbs mean clean water.
- When you wash your car or truck, direct water onto your lawn to soak up soap.
- Find attractive alternatives to large, impervious driveways and sidewalks.
- Direct your home's gutters onto your lawn. Water that does not make it to the curb cannot carry pollutants to lakes and streams.

According to the 1996 National Water Quality Inventory, stormwater runoff is a leading source of water pollution and can harm surface waters such as lakes, rivers, streams and wetlands.

Common pollutants in stormwater runoff include pesticides, fertilizers, oils, metals, pathogens, salt, sediment, litter and other debris. These pollutants are transported via stormwater from a variety of sources including construction projects, industries and urbanized areas.

Management of stormwater runoff from urbanized areas is very important for restoring or protecting surface waters. Urbanized areas are associated with activities that contribute pollutants to stormwater runoff, such as application of anti/deicing compounds, vehicle fueling, spills, landscaping and lawn maintenance, and application of pesticides and fertilizers. Additionally, urbanized areas are characterized by large amounts of impervious surfaces, such as streets, driveways, roof tops, parking lots and sidewalks. Stormwater runoff from impervious surfaces travels faster and in larger quantities, which results in damage to rivers, streams and wetlands, destruction of aquatic habitats and elevated pollutant levels reaching surface waters. Impervious surfaces also inhibit infiltration and subsequent groundwater recharge. Local public entities that own or operate a municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4) in urbanized areas play a key role in preventing or reducing the negative impacts stormwater runoff may have on Minnesota's valuable water resources.

Source: Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA). For more information, please visit the MPCA stormwater program website at [www.pca.state.mn.us/stormwater](http://www.pca.state.mn.us/stormwater).

## Septic maintenance

Do you have the greenest grass in the neighborhood over your septic tank? That could be the sign of a leak and a health concern. The city has a process to watch for systems that raise concerns. City Code requires maintenance records to be submitted every three years. This April property owners that have a septic system and have not submitted maintenance records within the last three years will receive notice. The city needs your maintenance records, by a state licensed company that shows the tank pumping and condition. If you have maintenance records, you can submit them to the city today.

Well and septic system repairs can be costly and septic systems can be complicated. If issues have been identified there are several resources available. Financial resources are available through the Anoka County AgBMP program which offers low interest loans, [www.anokacounty.us/2023/Well-and-Septic-Repair-Low-Interest-Loan](http://www.anokacounty.us/2023/Well-and-Septic-Repair-Low-Interest-Loan) or 763-324-4605. Other resources are available through the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency at [www.pca.state.mn.us/water/subsurface-sewage-treatment-systems](http://www.pca.state.mn.us/water/subsurface-sewage-treatment-systems) and the University of Minnesota Extension Services [www.extension.umn.edu/environment/water/property-owners/septic-systems](http://www.extension.umn.edu/environment/water/property-owners/septic-systems). Submit your maintained records today!

## Water softener tip — chlorides in wastewater

Just a friendly reminder to make sure your water softener is operating efficiently. The main cause of high chlorides in wastewater is from water softeners. This is where we need your assistance. High chloride levels can have a negative effect on the ecosystem of our streams, rivers and lakes. As many of you know, when the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency renewed our wastewater permit in 2015, we were given a chloride limit. When a water softener goes into regeneration mode, the salt water (chlorides) used to regenerate the softener is discharged into the city's wastewater system. The drinking water in St. Francis is around 13 grains per gallon. Adjusting your softeners accordingly will help in keeping chloride levels down.

## Did you know?

When reporting a street light out or a street light that is stuck on, you can do so through Connexus Energy at 763-323-2650 (regular hours) or 763-323-2608 (after hours).

They will ask you for the following information:

- The intersection of where the light pole is; even better if you can give Connexus Energy the closest address to the light pole.
- They will ask you if you can give them a pole number. This is typically a four-digit number on a silver tag about five to six feet off the ground.

Reporting lights that are out, broken or stuck on is an important public safety practice and can be very helpful to all those who live in or drive through our beautiful city.



## Grilling safety

With spring drawing near and warmer weather just around the corner, we will all soon be out of our winter slumber to enjoy a little bit more of the great outdoors. The St. Francis Fire Department hopes that all of you enjoy the spring time as much as we do. We would like to remind you that when we change our clocks in March to also check the batteries on your smoke and carbon monoxide (CO) detectors. The number one way you can keep you and your family safe from fires is to ensure your smoke alarms and CO alarms are in good working condition.

As the snow and ice begin to melt we all look forward to putting those crock pots away and firing up the grills and smokers. The National Fire Protection Association and St. Francis Fire Department would like to remind you to grill safe. Here are tips to follow this grilling season:

### Safety Tips

- ▶ Propane and charcoal BBQ grills should only be used outdoors
- ▶ The grill should be placed well away from the home, deck railings and out from under eaves and overhanging branches
- ▶ Keep children and pets at least three feet away from the grill area
- ▶ Keep your grill clean by removing grease or fat buildup from the grills and in trays below the grill
- ▶ Never leave your grill unattended
- ▶ Always make sure your gas grill lid is open before lighting

### Charcoal Grills

There are several ways to get charcoal ready to use. Charcoal chimney starters allow you to start the charcoal using newspaper as a fuel. If you use a starter fluid, use only charcoal starter fluid. Never add charcoal fluid or any other flammable liquids to the fire. Keep charcoal fluid out of the reach of children and away from heat sources. There are also electric charcoal starters, which do not use fire. Be sure to use an extension cord for outdoor use. When you are finished grilling, let the coals completely cool before disposing in a metal container.

### Propane Grills

Check the gas tank hose for leaks before using it for the first time each year.



Apply a light soap and water solution to the hose. A propane leak will release bubbles. If your grill has a gas leak, by smell or the soapy bubble test and there is no flame, turn off both the gas tank and the grill. If the leak stops, get the grill serviced by a professional before using it again. If the leak does not stop, call the fire department. If you smell gas while cooking, immediately get away from the grill and call the fire department. Do not move the grill. If the flame goes out, turn the grill and gas off and wait at least five minutes before re-lighting it.

Source: NFPA Public Education Division



**NEW  
LOCATION**

**CITY OF  
ST. FRANCIS  
PET CLINIC**

**Saturday, May 5  
9:00 a.m.-Noon**

**St. Francis Police Department  
4058 St. Francis Blvd. NW**



**BIKE**

**RODEO**

**Tuesday, May 29  
5:00-7:00 p.m.**

**St. Francis Police Department sponsored**

**St. Francis Police Department  
4058 St. Francis Blvd. NW, St. Francis**

Come at 4:30 p.m. for preregistration or visit [www.stfrancismn.org](http://www.stfrancismn.org) to fill out a preregistration form.

Bike riding offers fun, freedom and exercise, and it's good for the environment! We want kids and families to ride their bikes as much as possible and it's important to be safe while doing so. All ages are welcome to participate.

- ▶ Safety skills course supervised by police personnel and volunteers
- ▶ Bike helmets are mandatory for the safety skills course
- ▶ Bicycle inspection for safety
- ▶ Bike trail brochures from Minnesota DNR
- ▶ St. Francis Fire Department in attendance
- ▶ Door prizes!
- ▶ Allina Ambulance will conduct helmet checks for proper fitting (helmets will be available for purchase)
- ▶ Complimentary hot dogs, chips and refreshments
- ▶ First Baptist Church Praise Pantry - *Please bring a non-perishable food donation and be entered into the door prize drawing.*

**Thank you volunteers...** Allina Ambulance, St. Francis Police Reserves, St. Francis Fire Department, First Baptist Church-St. Francis

## AARP free income tax assistance

This free income tax assistance is for taxpayers with low and middle income and persons with disabilities, with special attention to those 60 years and older. E-Filing is between February 1 and April 17. Filing deadline is Tuesday, April 17.

### Anoka Senior Center

1500 South Sixth Avenue, Anoka  
Mondays, 8:30-11:30 a.m. Open April 16

### Anoka County Historical Society

2135 3rd Avenue N, Anoka  
Saturdays, 10:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

### Anoka County Northtown Library

711 County Road 10 NE, Blaine  
Sundays, 1:00-4:00 p.m., closed Easter April 1

### Blaine Human Services Building

1201 89th Avenue NE, Blaine  
Fridays, 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

### Blaine Mary Ann Young Senior Center

9150 Central Ave NE, Blaine  
Mondays Appointments only,  
call 763-786-9375, open April 16

### Columbia Heights Senior Center

Murzyn Hall, 530 Mill Street  
Columbia Heights  
Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9:00 a.m.-Noon

### Coon Rapids Senior Center

11155 Robinson Drive NW, Coon Rapids,  
Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 8:30 a.m.-Noon  
Appointments only, call 763-767-6473  
open April 17

### Fridley Senior Center

6085 7th Street NE, Fridley  
Wednesday 9:00 a.m.-Noon, 1:00-3:00 p.m.

### Fridley Unitarian Church

6565 Oakley Drive NE, Fridley

Mondays, 5:00-8:00 p.m., open April 16  
Appointments, call 763-502-5150

### Ham Lake Senior Center

15544 Central Avenue, Ham Lake  
Tuesdays, 8:45-11:30 a.m., open April 17

### United Theological Seminary

3000 5th Street NW, New Brighton  
Mondays and Wednesdays 9:00 a.m.-1:00  
p.m. Appointments, call 651-633-8333

**First come, first served** unless otherwise noted. E-file at all sites. Please bring Social Security cards, your 2016 return, all 2017 tax information as W-2s from employment, 1099s for pensions, social security, interest and dividends, miscellaneous income, records of contributions and medical expenses. For rent credit bring the Certificate of Rent Paid (CRP) from the landlord. For real estate refund bring Property Tax Statement for taxes payable in 2018.

*This free service is sponsored by the AARP Tax Aide Foundation, the Internal Revenue Service and the Minnesota Department of Revenue.*

## Attend a property and mobile home tax training session

**Thursday, March 22 or April 19**

**12:30-4:00 p.m. at The Northtown Library**

Volunteers are needed to prepare property tax returns for seniors and low income and disadvantaged people in Anoka County. The Tax Aide program, sponsored by AARP Foundation, the IRS and the Minnesota Department of Revenue, helps prepare rent credit and property tax returns beginning mid-April through July. Morning and afternoon shifts of three to four hours are available.

Volunteers are needed at various locations throughout Anoka County. A volunteer leader will staff each event to offer you support and assistance as needed. Equipment and materials are provided and mileage is reimbursed. No previous tax experience is necessary but training is required. Volunteers must also pass a background check. To register for one of the sessions above, call Tricia at 763-324-1661.

Anoka County RSVP

Human Service Center – Rum River Building #9, 3300 4th Avenue N, Anoka  
[www.anokacounty.us/725/Retired-Senior-Volunteer-Program](http://www.anokacounty.us/725/Retired-Senior-Volunteer-Program)

## Property Tax & Rent Credit Refunds

Available to senior citizens and people with disabilities. Forms are prepared by trained Anoka County RSVP Volunteers, Retired Senior and Volunteer Program.

**Wednesday, May 9 • 1:00-3:00 p.m.**

**St. Francis City Hall, 23340 Cree Street**

You will need to provide the following information:

2017 Federal Form 1040 (if you filed one)  
OR records showing your 2017 total household income, such as:

- Nontaxable Social Security
- Deduction for payments made to an IRA, Keogh, SEP

- Total Welfare received MFIP, MSA, SSI, GA and GRH
- Additional income; 401(k) deferred compensation
- Homeowners: Copy of your 2018 real estate tax statement. Homeowners to receive by end of March
- Renters: Certificate of Rent Paid (CRP)  
Renters to receive form by January 31

The State of Minnesota will mail tax credit refund checks to renters in mid-August and to homeowners in late September. You may also prepare the form yourself online for free at [www.revenue.state.mn.us](http://www.revenue.state.mn.us)

## Hosting an event?

Are you hosting a family event? Do you need a gathering space for a club meeting? What about starting an annual kickball tournament? The City of St. Francis has many options for hosting your upcoming events!

The city's Community Park has a large picnic shelter with many picnic tables and amenities nearby. We also have two baseball fields that come with bases or you can bring your own if you choose. At our Community Center, we have tables with chairs for your business or club meetings. We have a warming house that has been used in the past for club meetings and garage sales. The rental also includes a parking lot. Do I hear wedding bells? In Woodbury Park, the gazebo is a beautiful setting for an intimate wedding with a flowing fountain nearby and flowers blooming all around.

St. Francis has many options for your next event. We like to encourage residents to recycle at all events. Call our Recycling Coordinator about how to obtain organics recycling containers, if you're interested, at your upcoming event. Call city hall for pricing and availability at 763-753-2630.

# CHAMBER CURRENTS

## ST. FRANCIS AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEMBERS

Ace Solid Waste, Inc.  
Advanced Automotive Care  
Advanced Roofing & Siding, Inc.  
American Family Insurance - Mary Dresch  
Anoka Hennepin Credit Union  
Anoka Ramsey Community College  
Anytime Fitness  
Barna, Guzy & Steffen, LTD  
Beef 'O' Brady's  
Bolton and Menk, Inc.  
BTO Signs  
Captain's on Long Lake  
Casey's General Store  
CellOnly  
Central Heating & Cooling, LLC  
City of St. Francis  
Collision 2000  
Connexus Energy  
County Market  
Crown Electric, Inc.  
Custom Catering  
Dairy Queen/Orange Julius  
Destination Academy  
Dugout Bar and Grill  
ECM Publishers, Inc.  
Edward Jones Investments  
Elaine M. Mustari, CPA  
Farmers Insurance - Vann Rogers Agency, LLC  
Freedom Strategy Group  
Goldstar Kennels  
Goodrich Pharmacy  
Hakanson Anderson  
Herbalife - Heather Buzzell  
Hidden Haven Golf Club  
Highland Money Management, Inc.  
Insite Contracting, Inc.  
Isanti Retail Meats, LLC  
ISD 15 - The Courier  
Lakeside Cabinets and Woodworking  
Mansetti's Pizza & Pasta

McDonald's  
Minnesota Star Realty  
Minuteman Press - Ham Lake  
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North Anoka County Emergency Foodshelf  
North Anoka Plumbing, Inc.  
Northstar Outdoors, Inc.  
Nowthen Plumbing  
Opp Family Chiropractic, P.A.  
Patriot Lanes Bar & Grill  
Premier Specialties  
Re/Max Results - Larry D. Anderson  
Re/Max Results - Michelle Anderson  
Rum River Tree Farm  
Sara Sauer C.P.A., LLC  
Skyline Graphics  
St. Francis Bottle Shop  
St. Francis Collision & Glass  
St. Francis Dental Care, P.A.  
St. Francis Fire Department  
St. Francis Insurance Agency, Inc.  
St. Francis Lions  
St. Francis Physical Therapy  
St. Francis True Value Hardware  
St. Francis United Methodist Church  
St. Francis Veterinary Clinic  
Steve's Collision  
Subway - Oak Grove  
Subway - St. Francis  
T & W Adventures  
T. Bryce & Associates, Inc.  
TC Net-Works, Inc.  
That Other Thrift Store  
The Bridge  
The Oaks of Lake George  
The Ponds Golf Course & Restaurant  
The Refuge Golf Club & Restaurant  
Trinity Lutheran Church & School  
Village Bank  
Virtual Reality Arcade

## CHAMBER EVENTS

### Monthly Board Meetings

3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday each month  
11:00am at the St. Francis Community Center

### Monthly Networking Breakfasts

2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday each month  
8:00am at Beef 'O' Brady's

### Pioneer Days

June 8<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup>  
St. Francis Community Park



*The St. Francis Area Chamber of Commerce serves the needs of its membership in working toward the common goal of a growing, healthy business environment and community as a whole.*



*For more information, or to become a member:*

763-438-5163

[www.stfrancischamber.org](http://www.stfrancischamber.org)  
[chamber@stfrancischamber.org](mailto:chamber@stfrancischamber.org)

## Thank You to All Annual Dinner Sponsors and Contributors

These donors and ALL who attended this year's Annual Dinner helped make the event a great success. Proceeds will go toward activities and projects that support the Chamber's mission of creating a growing, healthy business environment and community as a whole.

Anoka Ramsey Comm. College  
Casey's General Store  
Connexus Energy  
Dairy Queen / Orange Julius  
Emagine Theatres - East Bethel  
Goldstar Kennels  
Grand Casino  
Highland Money Management  
Isanti Subway

ISD 15  
King's County Market  
Lisa Rahn & Kathleen Miller  
Mansetti's Pizza & Pasta  
Minuteman Press - Ham Lake  
Monaca White  
NACE Foodshelf  
Opp Family Chiropractic, P.A.  
Premier Specialties

Skyline Graphics  
Re/Max - Michelle Anderson  
Reid Ferguson Memorial  
Running Aces  
RXP Wirelless  
St. Francis Bottle Shop  
St. Francis Dental Care, P.A.  
St. Francis Physical Therapy  
St. Francis Subway

St. Francis True Value Hardware  
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## ECRWSS POSTAL PATRON

### Events Calendar

- March 17** St. Francis Lions Club Easter Bingo at St. Francis American Legion, 6:30 p.m.
- March 24** St. Francis Lions & Lioness Easter Egg Hunt at Community Park, 10:00 a.m.
- April 12** Severe Weather Awareness—sirens will sound at 1:45 p.m. & 6:45 p.m.
- April 28** National Prescription Drug Take Back Day 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. at Goodrich Pharmacy and always at the St. Francis Police Department
- April 28** Spring Recycling Day at 4020 St. Francis Blvd. NW, 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
- May 5** Pet Clinic at new location, St. Francis Police Department, 9:00 a.m.-Noon
- May 9** Property Tax Refund Preparation at St. Francis Community Center, 1:00-3:00 p.m.
- May 22-June 5** Filing period for St. Francis mayor and council members (2)
- May 28** Memorial Day —*City Offices Closed*
- May 29** St. Francis Police Department 2nd Annual Bike Rodeo at 4058 St. Francis Blvd. NW, 5:00-7:00 p.m.
- June 1** St. Francis Area Schools Last Day of School
- June 8-10** Pioneer Days

For a full list of events—visit the city's website [www.stfrancismn.org](http://www.stfrancismn.org)



#### City Council Meetings

First and third Monday each month at 6:00 p.m. (If a holiday, the meeting will be Tuesday.)

#### Planning Commission Meetings

Third Wednesday each month at 7:00 p.m.

St. Francis Area Schools  
Central Services Center  
4115 Ambassador Blvd NW

Agendas and minutes online:  
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