

THE GRANT NEWS FROM YOUR CITY COUNCIL

GRANT IN THE FUTURE by Grant Mayor Tom Carr

Council meetings, Planning Commission meetings, City office, Town hall, our web site, newsletter, deadlines, tough decisions, and more meetings. Baseball, football, gymnastics, softball, hockey, scouts, 4H, housework, yard work, hobbies and family.

Most people when they plan their days think of the second group. Unless there is something that personally affects them people generally concentrate on other things. Can't say I blame them. Being Mayor I have to think about both.

It's been a real interesting year for me learning about all the things I used to take for granted. All the meetings and discussion that takes place to get something done; pa-

perwork and more paperwork. Dealing with peoples problems' and trying to resolve them while all the time trying to keep the big picture in mind. That is to try and keep Grant, well, Grant!

There are several things coming up that could shape the way Grant will be in the future. These will involve density issues, land use, building size and retail sales. I think some of these things could change Grant and need to be dealt with carefully. I meet with the other mayors in the area and I think we could all say that public response to these issues is the one thing that we would like more of. Look up the minutes on the web site. Find out about the issues I'm talking about. It would be great to see you at the meetings. I know you're busy and days fly by.

Tom Can

There is something to think about though. If Grant is no longer Grant it won't be because I didn't try. I just want to remind you so that you never will have to say you didn't.

EMERGENCY! by Tim Gangnon

As we enter the spring and summer months, our thoughts turn to all of the projects we will complete, events our families will participate in and the vacations we are finally able to take. All of these things are effected by something, which seldom remains constant yet something we hope we can depend on, the weather. Reviewing recent feed back from the survey sent out in the last newsletter, a number of citizens were concerned about the lack of emergency sirens in the City of Grant. For those of you that do not know we have no emergency sirens in the City of Grant.

As cell phone towers have been installed in the city we have explored the placement of emergency sirens however, at present it is cost prohibited to place sirens in the City. Does this mean you are unprotected? No. Current technology does offer you early warning when inclement weather occurs. NOAA the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration has available Weather Radio broadcasts weather warnings, watches, forecasts and other hazard information 24 hours a day. During periods of weather and other emergencies, some NOAA radios emit an audible tone and automatically report the weather and other emergencies. This tone is loud enough to awaken even a sound sleeper.

NOAA Weather Radios are available at a number of electronic stores. If you would like more information on NOAA Weather Radios, go to http://www.nws.noaa.gov/nwr.

OUTDOOR STORAGE by Kevin Shoeberg

It's that time of year when all of us want to clean up our property and get it ready for the summer activities. While the City of Grant makes every effort to remain rural, we also want to ensure that property within the City does not become an eyesore. The City has received a number of complaints regarding automobiles, parts, discarded furniture and other items being placed outside of buildings and not removed from the property or properly screened. This article in the newsletter is an effort to spread the word to our residents about our ordinances which only allow items to be stored in a building or outside when it is fully screened and is not visible from adjoining properties and the public streets.

The City is requesting that if you have placed materials outside of your home or other buildings, they should be disposed of or moved inside a building or fully screened as provided in our ordinances. After July 1, 2001, the City will be issuing citations to those property owners who have violated the exterior storage ordinance. If you have any questions, you can refer to Section 706 of the City Ordinance 50 which can be found on our website. If you have any questions about whether your property is in compliance please contact the Mayor, a City Council member or the City Clerk. Thank you for your anticipated cooperation in making the City of Grant a more beautiful place to live.



八_ DEAR CITY OF GRANT RESIDENTS by Mahtomedi Mayor Yale Norwick

First of all, I would like to thank Mayor Carr and the Grant City Council for this opportunity to be included in your newsletter. All of us know the importance of communication and this message is simply another communication tool to promote the great relationship our cities have.

Mahtomedi and Grant are really part of one community larger community. The Mahtomedi City Council recently had the opportunity to officially comment on the Grant Comprehensive Plan. During our discussions, one theme was perfectly clear, that wonderful character of both of our cities enhances one another. A lakeside cottage city next to a more open and rural area with open fields and crops is truly unique for both of us.

It's important to know that our cities also communicate and work well together. We've had the opportunity to meet in joint meetings and have various agreements to mutually address issues including shared roads and maintenance projects. The elected officials from both communities have an excellent rapport and discuss topics openly, frequently, and often.

Mayor Carr and I discussed how important communication is and the idea of writing in each City's newsletter came up. Both Councils thought it was a good way to promote and expand communication. Although we are autonomous and independent in governance, we have many of the same goals. Through open communication, this will continue. Thanks again for this opportunity to write to you.



CITY COUNCIL ACTIONS by Rick Vanzwol

The following is a very brief summary of actions taken by the City Council. Please see the official minutes (http://www.ci.grant.mn.us/grant/minutes/minutes 2002.htm) for more detailed information.

Council actions in January 2002:

- 1. A bond was closed for \$118,000 for the Jocelyn Avenue paving project. The project came in at less cost than estimated and the Council reduced the assessment by \$1,500 per property.
- 2. Appointments for 2002 were approved. Details are available on the City web site. All appointees will serve at the pleasure of the City Council. Mr. Keating has elected not to continue as the City Treasurer and a search was begun for a replacement.
- 3. Discussed the potential paving of Ironwood and Irish Avenues and instructed the City Engineer to poll the assessable properties regarding the improvements.

Council actions in February 2002:

- 1. Candice Kraemer was appointed as temporary City Treasurer.
- 2. In response to a Planning Commission request, work was started toward amending the zoning ordinance with respect to the maximum size of accessory buildings.
- 3. Agreed to payment for the installation of a "dry hydrant" at American Polywater. This will be used to provide water for fire-fighting at this location which may be closer than in Stillwater or Mahtomedi.
- 4. Approved the settlement agreement with American Tower for the tower on the DeWolf property. This is a result of the Minnesota Supreme Court decision affirming permission to build a tower in this location.
- Changed the City's official bank from Wells Fargo to the First State Bank of Bayport.
- 6. Agreed to replace the City Office furniture at a cost of about \$4,500.

Council actions in March 2002:

- 1. Heard a presentation by the Stillwater Fire Department Chief. Work is underway to revise the agreement they have with the Mahtomedi Fire Department that should help reduce insurance costs for some homeowners in Grant.
- 2. The "Farm Preservation Ordinance" was rejected by the Council.
- 3. A Liquor Compliance Ordinance was passed. This requires compliance checks and defines penalties for failure to comply.
- 4. The moratorium on new "Seasonal Business" applications was extended until November 2002.
- 5. Escrow deposit amounts were increased to be more in line with recent costs.

Council actions in April 2002:

- 1. Lynne Saxton was appointed as the City Treasurer effective May 1, 2002.
- 2. Elizabeth Mersko was appointed to fill the Planning Commission vacancy.
- 3. The Ironwood paving project was not accepted by the residents and will not be completed. Several safety improvements were approved and will be constructed along Ironwood Avenue. The Irish Avenue project will move forward pending an escrow deposit to fund the engineering activities.
- 4. It was agreed that Calcium Chloride applications on gravel roads will be available this year through the City but at the residents' cost as before.
- Several tax forfeited parcels were accepted by the City.
- 6. The City Engineer was instructed to review the speed limit on Kimbro Avenue and post as needed. A stop sign at 110th Street and Lansing Avenue will also be reviewed.

WASTE MANAGEMENT COOPERATES IN AREA WATER TESTING by Sharon Schwarze

Bellaire Site of Waste Management

Members of a citizen committee have been working with Waste Management, Inc. concerning the revision of the conditional use permit at the Bellaire Site on County Road 12. Waste Management agreed to test well water in the vicinity. Three neighboring wells were tested.

Jay Kennedy, City Engineer, has reviewed the results of these tests and concluded, "The water quality testing consisted of testing three supply wells located southeasterly of the site. Each sample was tested for Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs), which are common when dealing with mixed solid waste as in the case of the old dumpsite. The testing for VOCs is also consistent with the findings in the remediation plan from the early 90s. The testing was completed consistent with industry standards with regard to handling and testing of the water. None of the three samples taken contained any detectable VOCs. The testing that was submitted appears to be consistent with accepted standards." In other words, the test results came back clear.

In selecting three sites, the committee worked with Mark Olson, a hydrogeologist with Liesch Associates, Inc. The wells were selected based upon a review of the well depths and locations

and the flow of the ground water (as contrasted to surface water).
Interpoll Laboratories, Inc., an independent laboratory was selected to draw the samples.



Michael Hamer of Interpoll Laboratories consults with Lawrance Belland of Grant about proper sample gathering for water testing.



Committee members included Nadine Sierakowski, Steve Willard, Wally Anderson and Ellie Bruner. These neighbors worked with Sharon Schwarze, City Council; Rick Vanzwol, City Council; Gene House, Planning Commission; Kevin Shoeberg, City Attorney, and Jay Kennedy, City Engineer. The committee worked with Waste Management on the conditional use permit and water testing.

Waste Management has put any decision about rebuilding and use of the Bellaire site on the back burner as they work on two large projects in St. Paul and Maple Grove.

ANNUAL WATER TEST CANCELLED

Due to a lack of interest and participation in the annual water test in 2001 and prior years the test will not be held this year. This was a test that was mainly useful for detecting nitrates in the water. However, if you are concerned about your well water, you can contact the Washington County Public Health and Environment at 651-430-6655 for current information about alternate testing sites or where to purchase additional tests. More information on testing well water is available on the Washington County web site at: http://www.co.washington.mn.us/pubhlth/welltest.html

ON THE ROADS, AGAIN

Art Welander, Road Supervisor (439-2598)

Gravel roads continue to be a source of controversy and frustration for just about everyone. Potholes, washboarding, dust, and safety are one side of the coin, while the cost of paving, including reconstruction of some road beds and widening of many roads, and an equitable formula for the increased taxes, are the flip side of the coin.

Grant's road contracts with Washington County are renewed annually, and contain many policies, rules and regulations. Gravel road maintenance is dependent on weather, road restrictions, and how "wet or dry" road conditions are. Washington County grades Grant's roads on a routine basis. They target heavily trafficked roads twice a week; other through roads once a week, and most cul-desacs once or twice a month - but remember, that is all weather dependent.

Re-Graveling of roads is determined usually on a 3 - 5 year rotation basis. Need and available budget are the main considerations, as is with seal-coating and crack filling. Call Art with concerns.

ROAD DUST....

It's time to put in your requests (and money) for Calcium Chloride on gravel roads. There are definitely mixed reviews on how well CaCl holds the dust down and holds the road together. The moisture wicking effect can make the potholes more severe. Because some residents do not want Calcium Chloride, the city does not budget for it.

If you're interested, please talk to your neighbors and collect the money. Then contact Art or Joyce Welander, and they will put you in touch with the company that applies the CaCl. The initial application is weather dependent, and grading will not occur while it "sets up" which usually takes a month, or until Art gets the call that the road needs to be graded again.

SLOW DOWN!

Please remember most of our roads are shared by walkers, bikers, and horses. Traffic safety is everyone's responsibility. And cyclists, walkers, and riders.... it's much easier to pass you if you're single file!

ROADSIDE STUFF...

Occasionally, Grant's ditches becoming dumping grounds for other peoples' "junk" With the transfer station closed, it seems that's happening more frequently. If you spot these discards, please call Art or Joyce so they can arrange to have the garbage picked up (439-2598).

JUDGING ANY....

One? Be part of the democratic process! It's that time of year to find folks to serve as elections judges for the September 10th State primary, and November 5th election. Judges are trained, paid, and allowed time off work (not vacation or sick time). The 4 hour training session for "head" judges is in June .. training for other positions are not as lengthy and are yet to be scheduled. Contact City Clerk Barbe Bartholdi (426-3383) for additional information.

ADDING UP THE THANKS....

To Candice Kraemer. Candice, a Planning Commission member, has served as temporary treasurer. In addition to the ongoing city accounting, she stepped up to the plate in untangling leftover snarls and establishing updated accounting software and procedures. Thanks for the attitude, integrity and professionalism as well as offering assistance to the newly appointed treasurer.

AND SPEAKING OF STEPPING UP TO THE PLATE

The ball field at Town Hall is getting a face lift. High demand for organized sports space means our hometown field will see lots of action. The bleachers are going to be updated - that is down sized- to meet new safety standards.

STARRY, STARRY NIGHT...

Part of the rural feel of Grant includes the night sky. Outdoor lighting, Lighting Fixtures, and Glare are addressed in Ordinance 50 Section 711. Be respectful of your neighbor's night view.

MAY YOU LIVE IN INTERESTING TIMES... by Lynn Keller

I don't recall if that was a fortune or a curse, but it is a reality living here in Grant. Thank you to the 180+ folks who responded to our last, informal, theoretically a-political survey! The results will be shared over the course of several newsletters, as well as on the website (http://www.ci.grant.mn.us/grant/survey_grantnews.html). As you see opportunities come up, and it is something you are interested in, PLEASE PARTICIPATE!



Answers to one advantages and or reasons for living in Grant were not surprising...Rural, large lots, acreage space, quiet, close to nature, access to wildlife were common themes. On the flip side, drawbacks included roads, distances to conveniences, growth/development, lack of community, local politics and dogs. HOWEVER.... 44 folks found no drawback to living in our community!

These are interesting times for our council and planning commission members as well as residents. Several respondents are strongly opposed to any more golf courses...yet 57 respondents said they enjoy golf in Grant. Only one respondent thought we should reduce the average lot size: I wonder if in 25 years, as many residents are ready to retire and growth projections for the region increase population by nearly a million, if subdividing 10 acres for the cash will become a more important value?

How do we build a sense of community in Grant if 94 folks enjoy "getting away from it all" as a recreational activity? Perhaps the better question is, "Do residents want a sense of community in our nature-friendly, hobby farm friendly, primarily bedroom community?

National Neighborhood Night Out is August 6th, right after County Fair and in the midst of haying and vacationing. If this is the reason last year had a low turnout, let us know what you'd rather see. Is it more pocket neighborhood get-togethers? Is it meeting with your elected officials and law enforcement in smaller settings? Council and Planning Commission members can only respond to those who voice their opinions. Both "the squeaky wheel gets the oil" and "the world is run by those who show up" could apply here.

Well, there goes an opinion by this editor. Anyway...at the end of 2002, Bruce and I will pass the Newsletter on to another appointed volunteer. Our quarterly newsletter seems to get out 3 X a year (holiday mailings aren't a reality). The formatted Newsletter is e-mailed to a publisher, who takes care of printing, labeling and mailing. The primary tasks are soliciting articles, writing a few if desired, obtaining council approval for content, and formatting. If you are interested please contact Mayor Tom Carr, or any other Council Member.

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Looking forward to meeting you in other volunteer opportunities! Lynn and Bruce



RECYCLING UPDATE by The Maroneys

Curbside recycling has been around for a number of years now, and the program is continually changing. On the second and fourth Thursday of each month, Maroney's Sanitation Incorporated collects recyclables throughout the City of Grant.

Maroney's is currently updating some of its aging equipment. The new equipment will help our company collect materials more quickly and contain it better. Maroney's plans to convert open top trucks to trucks with solid tops. Additionally, the trailers will be one unit with individual compartments for each material.

Is recycling working in the City of Grant? YES. Each Grant pickup day, Maroney's collects on average 20,000+ lbs. Of newsprint and other papers; 1,400+ lbs of glass; 1,120 lbs. of cans; 180+ lbs. of plastic. And because Maroney's and the City of Grant still support a source separated program - all materials separated by residents - your recyclables are recycled. We no longer have to separate types of paper, which should make it easier to get those cereal boxes, catalogues and newsprint out on Thursdays.

Fibers, newsprint and cardboard are recycled into more newsprint and boxboard at Rock-Tenn. Glass containers are recycled into glass bottles and jars at Anchor Glass. Cans are recycled back into beverage and food containers. And plastics are made into a variety of different products. What all of this means is thousands of pounds of materials are recycled instead of being thrown away.

Maroney's is continually looking for new markets for different materials. We are also trying our best to provide collection efficiently and effectively. We look forward to a continued partnership with the City of Grant. Recycling information is available from our offices Monday through Friday 8;00 am - 5:00 pm at (651) 439-7279 or (651) 439-3720.

HOW SWEET IT IS! by Sorell Slaymaker

Have you seen honey bees on your flowers? Grant has about 40 hobby beekeepers who produce honey, pollen, and was. There is nothing like fresh honey! One source of local honey is from basswood trees which produce a light, fruity honey. Beekeeping can be a fun hobby while aiding all vegetables, fruits, and flowers that require pollination.

Honeybees rarely sting, and only out of self-defense. A honey bee will die within 1 hour of stinging, so stinging isn't in this bee's best interest! Honey bees to not seek out soda pop or other sugary substances... they are strictly flower and water bees! A hive needs to visit between 1 and 2 million flowers to make a pound of honey, so these bees are buzzing! A typical hive will produce 5 gallons (60 lbs) of honey a year.



Beekeeping does have its challenges. Over our long winters, about 20,000 bees hibernate in a hive. In order to live to spring, the hive must be very healthy which means controlling bee mites and diseases. The use of insecticides/pesticides on flowering plants s also a challenge to keeping bees healthy. If you can, please avoid using insecticides on your flowering plants.... Or at least ones containing Carbyrl... which is a confirmed killer of honey bees. You'll end up killing the very "helper" creation has provided to ensure those blooms! As they say.... BEE FRIENDLY.

DOUBLE TROUBLE

In an effort to reduce the number of duplicate mailings, we have manually gone through the address list. An initial after a first name will "goof up" a computer sort which results in a second newsletter going to the same address. Some records indicate only one resident at a given address (such as a husband's name) and the second address lists both a male and female, sometimes with the same last name, sometimes differing. I also realize some of you may have had a change in family status, and apologize if this results in yet another task.

If you want to change how the Grant News is addressed to you, or are still getting duplicates, please do one of the following. Get the exact wording off your label. You may mail this in with how you want your name to appear to the city clerk. Or you may call or email this information to the City Clerk, Barbe.

Thanks...Lynn and Barbe

COUNTRY CORNER

COTTONWOOD FLUFFIES COVER COILS IN GRANT!!!! Clean those coils to improve air flow and cooling efficiency of your air conditioner. Cleaning the fan blades (while stopped!) may also help keep those electric bills a bit lower.

OAK WILT. Don't even THINK of trimming those oaks between now and maybe even as late as October. And...if your Oak starts dying from the top down... DO NOT CUT IT DOWN. Much like celery will wick colored water up...Cutting the oak down will wick disease into the interconnecting roots of neighboring oaks, spreading the disease. Check with the city office if you suspect oak wilt on your property.

BETTER BLOOMS NEXT YEAR... Lilacs bloom on old wood which means, when they are done blooming this year, prune them back. Same goes for all shrubs that bloom on old wood.



TREE SAP ON YOUR CAR???? Or how about hardened honeydew? The U's Extension Service Yard and Garden Brief quotes a July 30th 1997 Fixit column from the Star Trib with the following suggestions:

Pine tree pitch - use a wax and grease removing product, available at auto supply stores. Or you can try rubbing alcohol, WD-40 lubricant or Skin So Soft bath oil. Allow those products to do their work of dissolving or softening. Check out all sorts of tips at www.extension.umn.edu.

LOCAL SUMMER FUN!

6/7 Good Neighbor Days - Hugo 7/13 - 7/14St. Croix Garden Tour 7/13 Karl Oscar Days - Lindstrom 7/25 - 7/28 Lumberjack Days - Stillwater 8/4 - 8/10 Washington County Fair - Fairgrounds 8/18 Taco Daze - Scandia 9/8 Ki-Chi-Saga Days - Chisago Country



THE SHERIFF SAYS by Deputy Sheriff Marc Lombardi

It's springtime and the Sheriff's Office is seeing an influx of travel and park use in public areas in the City of Grant. Again, I would like to take the time to re emphasize the importance, when using the Gateway Trail, to make sure that you do not leave any valuables in your car. We have had recent car break-ins at the Gateway Trail in Pine Springs and at Jef-

frey Blvd. N. at Jamaca Ave. N. in Grant. Do not let yourself become a victim. If you have your car broken into, call the Sheriff's office at 651-439-9381 to make a complaint.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

The Grant City Council and Washington County Sheriff's Office would like to invite Grant city residents to the Grant Hall on Tuesday August 6th from 6 pm until 7 pm - when the regularly scheduled City Council Meeting will take place. Washington County's Sheriff's Office will have Deputies stopping by and will have crime prevention items to give away to your families to help celebrate the occasion. Sheriff Jim Frank sponsors this event and believes this is one of the best ways to strengthen "Community/Sheriff" partnerships. Come join us on this night.

SUMMER TRAVEL PLANS?

Remember, the Washington County Sheriff's Office will make vacation checks on your Grant property. Please call 430-4844 and talk to Deputy Sheriff Marc Lombardi to make arrangements.

THAT'S ODD...

If you see anything out of the ordinary, take a few minutes to contact the Sheriff's Office with any details you remember, number of people, clothing, a make/model of car, license number. We've had a couple situations where folks, familiar with neighborhood patterns, helped solved crimes. By luck, some local horseback riders noticed an individual on a neighbor's porch at an odd time of day. Because one rider remembered the license number and the other rider remembered the individual, a potential theft may have been thwarted and it looks like several past burglaries may be solved. If you see something unusual, please call the Sheriff immediately and let them act on it. 911 or dispatch at 439-9381

IT'S THE LIFE OF A DOG IN GRANT by Gigi Schwarze

My name is Gigi Schwarze. I live the life of a dog. I have a nice house and yard. My bowls have food and water at my beck and call. Everything was going pretty great.

Then I hear that many Grant residents have expressed concerns about some dogs living in Grant. The City Council has talked about enforcement problems and ordinance revisions, and maybe even dog licenses...and all because a few of us are ruining it for the rest.

Sure, Grant is rural but come on guys, that doesn't mean we get the run of the place. In fact roaming dogs have been out of fashion (or even the law) since the revised dog ordinance back in 1998. Things are going to get icky for our owners if we don't stay in our own yard, on our leash or under voice control. Do not fertilize your neighbor's yard. Don't bark all night long or for long stretches of time. There are lots of folks who are home all day, even if your humans are at work.



Gigi

Mulligan, a four-year-old buff colored cocker spaniel loves Grant. "We have huge pheasants in our yard. I think they weigh more than I do. I watch them everyday. Milligan's roommate, Chelsea is an 11 1/2 yr old yellow lab that has lived in Grant her entire life. "It's a great place to go for a walk... I'm especially grateful if people drive slowly when they go by me on the road." Blue added, "When I walk with my owner on the street, so many cars go really fast and don't slow down when they see us walking. Don't drivers realize it's kind of dangerous?"

Samson has learned not to bark. "Apparently, the neighbors are not impressed that I am a self-appointed neighborhood watchdog. Lately, I have to wear a special collar when I go outside, especially after dark. Now, whenever I bark, I get sprayed in the face with citronella. The citronella is not harmful to me, but I hate the spray and the smell. I think it's a "good thing" to be on good terms with the neighbors."

Jessie is irritated at dogs that dig in other's garbage cans. "We all get to go for a walk in the early afternoon, and I really look forward to it. On garbage day it's especially interesting. That's because some driveways have garbage strewn about, and I would REALLY like to check it out for treasures - but I'm not permitted. I know we dogs are sometimes getting blamed for raccoons and possums getting into the trash, but some canines are also into the bad habit."

Ginger worries about strays. "Every so often, a dog will come over to visit that I've never met before. We do a lot of sniffing each other, and we might even play for a short time. If the dog isn't afraid of people, my owners will approach it to find out whom it belongs to. Most of the time the dog has a collar but no identification. Can you believe it??? An ID tag costs \$6 at the pet store!! Where else could you get such a good 'life insurance policy' for that cheap? At the very least, they could use a laundry pen and write their phone number on the inside of the collar - something is better than nothing. I worry about those dogs. Will their owners find them?"

One common thread through my discussions with area dogs was how the people in Grant are very friendly. As Blue said, "I like Grant a lot because there's lot's of space to run and people move here because they enjoy animals and a more rural environment."

By the way, if you want to know the current rules check out ordinance 98-84 on the Grant web site (http://www.ci.grant.mn.us/grant/minutes/Ord_1998_84.htm) or call the animal control officer, Art Welander at 439-2598. Call 911 if there is a dangerous situation. Topics of discussion have focused upon dangerous dog definitions, enforcement and dog licensing.

LAND OF 10,000 LAKES AND A MILLION REGULATIONS!

Once upon a time, Grant fostered an attitude of "no permit required - do what you want on your own land". Times have changed with the adoption of the new Shoreland Ordinance, which is intended to protect nature, specifically water related nature. Today, any impact on wetlands, shoreline, and even seasonal ponds needs to comply with the ordinance. The new regulations include buffers, setbacks and upland changes as they all influence erosion, water shed, and groundwater recharging. Call Jyneen Thatcher, Wa.Co. Soil and Water Conservation, for the recent changes. 430-6820 or jyneen.thatcher@co.washington.mn.us



SAVE YOURSELF!

Make sure your address (street number) is **clearly visible** from the street. The Fire Marshal has complained that several homes have been difficult to locate as street addresses are not clearly marked. Emergency vehicles would have the same trouble responding to calls.

A big THANKS to all who helped out on Grant cleanup day!

