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## Community Calendar, April 2010—September, 2010

### April

- April 11, 8:00 a.m., Lion's Club Pancake Breakfast, Community Center
- April 12, 5:00 p.m. Board of Appeal and Equalization, Community Center Board Rm.
- April 24, 4:00 – 8:00 p.m. Lions Club Benefit Chicken Dinner, Fire Hall

### May

- May 1, 8 a.m. to 11 a.m., Heavy Metal Day, Community Center Parking Lot
- May 22, Scandia PTO Fun Run/Walk, Community Center
- May 31, Memorial Day, Office Closed

### June

- June 26, Midsommar Dag, Gammalgården

### July

- July 5 (Monday), observance of Independ-

ence Day, Office Closed

- July 10, Hay Lake Day, Hay Lake Museum

### August

- August 3, 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. National Night Out, Community Center
- August 10, Primary Election Day
- August 15, Spelmansstamma, Gammalgården

### September

- September 6, Labor Day, Office Closed
- September 10 - 11, Taco Daze Festival
- September 18 - 19, Marine Art Fair

For more information and a city meeting calendar, see the website [www.ci.scandia.mn.us](http://www.ci.scandia.mn.us).

For **Gammalgården** events, see: <http://www.gammelgardenmuseum.org>.

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## 2010 is an election year for Minnesota and Scandia— State Primary Election Moves to August 10

Early Fall in Scandia is signaled by trips to the State Fair, Labor Day, the start of school, our Taco Daze festival and (in even years) the state-wide primary election. That's about to change. The primary election is moving to Tuesday, August 10, 2010 from the traditional second Tuesday in September. The general election will continue to be held on the first Tuesday of November (November 2, 2010.)

The law moving the primary up from September 14 to August 10 was recently passed by the State Legislature and signed by the Governor. The change brings the state into compliance with a federal law requiring more time between the primary and the November general elections. The intent is to give military and overseas voters more time to return absentee ballots than if the general election candidates are not determined until mid-September. There is a concern, however, that already-low voter turn-outs could be further reduced. Scandia voters are urged to mark their calendars now for the new primary date.

Absentee balloting for the August 10 primary election will begin on June 25 and continue through August 9, 2010. For a calendar of important election dates, see page 2 of this newsletter.

### Filings for City Council also Affected

The same law that changed the primary date also affects filings for Scandia's local election of a Mayor and two Council Members, which will be on the November 2 general election ballot. Mayor Dennis Seefeldt's two-year term will expire at the end of 2010. The four-year terms of Council members Dolores Peterson and Pete Crum will also expire.

The two-week filing period for the City election will begin on Tuesday, August 3 and run through August 17, 2010. A candidate must file in person with the city clerk a signed and notarized affidavit of candidacy, along with a \$2 filing fee. A petition signed by eligible voters numbering 5% of the number of persons who voted in the last general election may be submitted in lieu of a filing fee. Scandia had 2,644 voters in the last general election (5% = 133 voters.)

If a candidate will be absent from the state during the filing period, the candidate may file for office during the seven days immediately before the candidate leaves the state. Because August is vacation time for many Minnesotans, potential City Council candidates should contact City staff for more information on filing early if they may be out of town during the filing period.

The timeline for selecting and training election judges for the primary election will also change. Former election judges will be contacted. Anyone interested in serving as an election judge should contact City staff.



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### Scope Modified for Mining & Reclamation EIS

In March 2009, the City Council ordered preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Tiller Corporation's Zavoral Mining and Reclamation Project. Tiller Corporation proposed to operate a gravel mine and processing facility on a 114-acre site located east of State Highway 95 (St. Croix Trail) at State Highway 97 (Scandia Trail) owned by Dr. James Zavoral.

After the EIS was ordered, the City went through a "scoping" process to determine the issues to address in the EIS. Then, in August 2009, consultants (AECOM) were hired to prepare the EIS for the City. Tiller is required to pay all costs associated with the EIS.

A Project Advisory Committee (PAC) of agency and community representatives was formed to provide advice to the Council about the EIS. The PAC held its first meeting in December 2009. Also in December 2009, Tiller changed its proposal by eliminating on-site processing activities (such as washing or crushing.) Instead, material excavated at the site would be transported di-

rectly to users or to the company's Scandia mine (located at 22303 Manning Ave) for use as "add-rock" in products produced at that site.

This change resulted in a modified scope for the EIS, to reflect the elimination of processing activities at the Zavoral site and to include the evaluation of possible impacts related to the Scandia site due to the transport and use of the "add-rock."

A new contract with the consultants was approved in February, and work on the EIS has started again. The next PAC meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 27 (4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at the Community Center.)

Materials related to this project, including the revised scope for the EIS, are available for review at the City of Scandia Office, 14727 209th St. N., during office hours (9:00 a.m. to Noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday) and on the City's website <http://ci.scandia.mn.us>. Contact City Administrator Anne Hurlburt for more information.

### Development Code Update is Underway

The Development Code—a group of ordinances that includes zoning and subdivision regulations—are some of the most important tools for implementing the Comprehensive Plan. Since adoption of the new Plan last year, the Council and Planning Commission are working on updating Scandia's regulations. So far, they have reviewed drafts of administrative and procedural language

(also needed to make the transition from a township ordinance to a city ordinance) and preliminary drafts of new zoning districts and zoning maps. The work sessions on the code update are open to all. A public meeting/open house on the draft code will be held, prior to a formal public hearing, later this year. Please see the city website meeting calendar for dates and times.

### Clip and Save— 2010 Elections Calendar

**Friday, June 25**— Absentee voting begins for Primary Election, through August 9

**Tuesday, July 20, 5:00 p.m.**— Last day to pre-register for State Primary Election. After this date, register at the polls on Election Day

**Tuesday, August 3**— Filings for Mayor and City Council races open, through **August 17 at 5:00 p.m.**

**Saturday, August 7, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.**— City office open for absentee voting

**Monday, August 9, 5 p.m.**— Absentee voting for Primary Election closes

**Tuesday, August 10, 7 a.m.-8 p.m.**— State Primary Election Day

**Thursday, August 19, 5 p.m.**—Deadline to withdraw filings for Mayor and Council

**Friday, September 17**— Absentee voting begins for General Election, through Nov. 3

**Tuesday, October 12, 5:00 p.m.**— Last date to pre-register for General Election. After this date, register at the polls on Election Day.

**Saturday, October 30, 10 a.m.-3p.m.**— City office open for absentee voting

**Monday, November 1, 5 p.m.**— Absentee voting for General Election closes

**Tuesday, November 2, 7 a.m.-8 p.m.**— Election Day



**Primary Election Day**  
August 10, 2010  
Polls Open at 7:00 a.m.

### "Heavy Metal Day" — Scandia's Annual Clean-Up

In the mood for some spring cleaning? "Heavy-Metal Day", Scandia's annual spring clean-up, is scheduled for **Saturday, May 1 from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.** in the Community Center parking lot. Residents may drop off items not taken by your regular trash hauler, but NOT considered hazardous waste. Examples of items accepted are: appliances, tires, furniture, mattresses, scrap metal and wood. There will be a fee for some items. The fee schedule is

posted on the city website. For hazardous items or electronics, Scandia residents should take advantage of the **free drop-off event** sponsored by Washington County on **Saturday, June 5 from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.** at the Forest Lake Transit Center, 19955 Forest Road North (next to the Washington County Headwaters Service Center & Library.) Products accepted will include household, automotive and lawn & garden hazardous

waste and electronics such as televisions & computers. Hazardous materials, electronics, and all other recyclables, are accepted year round at the Washington County Environmental Center, 4039 Cottage Grove Drive, Woodbury (corner of Bailey Road & Cottage Grove, 4 miles south of I-94.) Call Washington County at 651 430-6655 or check their web site at [www.co.washington.mn.us/publichealth](http://www.co.washington.mn.us/publichealth).

*Dates to Remember*  
**Heavy Metal Day**  
Scandia Community Center  
Saturday, May 1  
8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.  
**Hazardous & Electronics Drop-off**  
Forest Lake Transit Center  
Saturday, June 5  
8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

### "Take 10" to Participate in the 2010 Census

All Scandia households have received forms for the 2010 Census, which will count every man, woman and child living in the United States.

Every year the federal government distributes more than \$400 billion to tribal, state and

local governments based on census data. Census data also are used to reapportion seats in Congress and assure proper district representation in state and local governments.

During Census 2000, 72% of households in Scandia returned

their census forms by mail by the April deadline, lagging the state (78 %) and Washington County (86%) in forms mailed back. We can do better this year. So, if you haven't already done so, please take 10 minutes to answer the 10-question census form and mail it back.

### Short Takes

**Dogs and Cats**— The City of Scandia does NOT require licensing of pets. However, if dogs are not on a leash, they must be under voice command and shall not infringe on your neighbor's property. Stray dogs may be reported to the Sheriff's department at 651 439-9381. Stray dogs that are impounded may be reclaimed at Hillcrest Animal Hospital (1320 County Road D Circle East, Maplewood) after payment of impound, boarding and any veterinary fees. Have four or more pets? A kennel permit may be required. Please contact City Staff with any questions.

**Do I really need a permit for that?**— Protect your investment in your home. Building Official Steve Thorp is here to help you do the job right. It's a buyer's market, so don't jeopardize a future sale or refinanc-

ing with improvements not up to code. It's more costly to correct problems later. Call Steve at 651 433-2274, Ext. 102 with any questions.

**Exterior Storage**— Scandia requires that all personal property be stored in a building or fully screened, with a few exceptions for licensed vehicles and recreation equipment. No more than four passenger vehicles per dwelling unit are allowed on parcels less than 10 acres in size. No more than 2 items of recreational equipment (such as campers, boats, trailers etc.) may be stored in the side or rear yard on any lot.

**Signs**— Permits are required for all signs, including temporary signs for garage sales and community events. There's no fee for temporary sign permits. No signs may be placed in any public rights-of-way, on any roof, or painted on walls or attached to

utility poles.

**Burning Permits**— A (no-charge) burning permit is required for open burning when there is no snow cover. In all cases, please notify the Washington County Sheriff's Office (651 439-9381) one hour before you burn. There may be restrictions depending on weather, time-of-day or air-quality issues. See the city office for more information and for permits.

**Spring Load Limits**— are in effect and are expected to last for about 8 weeks after they went into effect on March 8. Call the City office with any questions.

**Council Meetings on Cable**— Lakes Area Television (available in limited areas of Scandia) tapes City Council meetings for replay on cable channel 10. Contact LATV at 651 464-1143.

**Attention Lakeshore Residents...**



*No grading, filling or excavating near shore without permits!*