

# **NEWS RELEASES**

## **Special event on Monday, Dec. 19 honors departing city councilmen**

The public is cordially invited to attend a reception for outgoing Prior Lake City Council members Jim Petersen, Joe Zieska and G. Bryan Fleming that will be held immediately before the next scheduled meeting of the council on Monday, Dec. 19.

Start time is 6 p.m.

A light dinner consisting of fruits, meats, cheeses and refreshments will be served.

Between them, the trio of Petersen, Zieska and Fleming spent a combined 15 years serving the public as members of the council. Petersen served for eight years, or two full terms, while Zieska logged six and Fleming one. Later in the evening on Dec. 19, the three men will be recognized as part of the regular council meeting.

Please join the city in recognizing these three men for their years of dedicated service to the citizens of Prior Lake.

## **Lakefront Park warming house opens Dec. 26**

With a string of subzero days already in the books, the ice skating season is right around the corner. Lakefront Park's warming house will open for the season on Monday, Dec. 26 and remain open until one week after Valentine's Day. Hours will be 4 to 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 4 to 9 p.m. Friday and noon to 8 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

For more information, contact Prior Lake Recreation Department at (952) 447-4230 or (952) 447-9820.

## **Looking for gift ideas? Check out the city store**

The City of Prior Lake has a number of items in its inventory that might make great gifts this holiday season, from coffee mugs to cookbooks, water bottles to T-shirts, and can coolers to flags.

See for yourself at Prior Lake Fire Station No. 1, 16776 Fish Point Road. A limited supply of logo items is also now being sold at Village Market grocery store.

## **Discount movie tickets on sale at fire station**

Discount movie tickets for the Mueller Family Theater in Lakeville are being sold for \$6.50 apiece by the City of Prior Lake Employee Council. Tickets can be used for any movie except first-run movies indicated with a diamond next to the listing. Get yours today by visiting Finance at Prior Lake Fire Station No. 1, 16776 Fish Point Road SE.

## Holiday trips for teens planned by PL, Savage

Registration is now being accepted at Prior Lake Fire Station No. 1, 16776 Fish Point Road SE, for three very special youth holiday trips sponsored by the recreation departments of Prior Lake and Savage.

### **Gameworks**

Children age 8-15 are invited on a trip to Gameworks, located on Block E in Minneapolis, on **Tuesday, Dec. 27** from 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Gameworks is the ultimate destination for a total entertainment experience where kids can eat and play. The pick-up and drop-off location is the Prior Lake Library, 16210 Eagle Creek Ave. Cost is \$29 per person for city residents, or \$34 per nonresident. **Registration deadline is Tuesday, Dec. 20.**

### **Cedarvale Lanes & Skateville**

Children age 7-13 are invited for a day of bowling and roller skating on **Thursday, Dec. 29** from 8:45 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. First, it's off to Cedarvale Lanes in Lakeville for some bowling. Then the bus heads for Skateville in Burnsville for a rolling good time. The pick-up and drop-off location is the Prior Lake Library, 16210 Eagle Creek Ave. Cost is \$17 per person for city residents, or \$22 per nonresident. **Registration deadline is Friday, Dec. 16.**

### **IMAX Theater & Minnesota Zoo**

Children age 6-12 are invited on a trip to see "The Polar Express" in the IMAX Theater and lots of wild animals at the Minnesota Zoo on **Friday, Dec. 30** from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The pick-up and drop-off location is the Prior Lake Library, 16210 Eagle Creek Ave. Cost is \$20 per person for city residents, or \$25 per nonresident. **Registration deadline is Friday, Dec. 16.**

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## Senior social is coming to pavilion on Dec. 15

The next senior social sponsored by the Prior Lake Recreation Department is Thursday, Dec. 15 at the Lakefront Park Pavilion, 5000 Kop Parkway. The event will begin one-half hour earlier, starting at 1 p.m. and ending at 3 p.m.

## City offices to close for annual potluck, holidays

The City of Prior Lake has released its holiday office schedule.

On Wednesday, Dec. 21, city offices will be closed from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. to allow city employees to enjoy a holiday luncheon together. Please schedule your visits to the fire station, maintenance center and police station with this closure in mind.

And with both Christmas Day and New Year's Day both falling on Sundays this year, city offices will be closed on the Mondays that follow each of these holidays – or Dec. 26 and Jan. 2. That means the first regular meeting of the City Council in 2006 will be Tuesday, Jan. 3.

Your city employees wish you happy holidays!