

## FREEDOM DAYS SCHEDULE

### Sunday, June 9

**FREEDOM DAYS PANCAKE BREAKFAST (sponsored by BCC & Dazzlers Dance Team)**  
Becker Community Center @ 8:00am-Noon

### Monday, June 10-14

**BCC FREEDOM WEEK SPECIALS AND ACTIVITIES**

Daily Special events, activities and specials the week of June 11-June 15

**MEDALLION HUNT**

Clues available this week at the Community Center, on Facebook and @ [www.beckercommunitycenter.com](http://www.beckercommunitycenter.com)

### Tuesday, June 12

**ICE CREAM SOCIAL**

The 6<sup>th</sup> annual ice cream social will be held at the Sherburne History Center from 6:00pm-8:00pm.

### Friday, June 14

**JAMMERS-** Music will be played from 6:30pm-10:00pm at the Becker Legion.

### Saturday, June 15

**FREEDOM DAYS 5K FUN RUN/WALK**

Registration is from 6:30am-7:25am at the Becker Community Center, and the Fun Run starts at 7:30am.  
To pre-register go to [www.beckercommunitycenter.com](http://www.beckercommunitycenter.com) for a registration form or call the BCC at 763-261-5900.

**KIDS FREEDOM DAYS 1K FUN RUN/WALK**

Ages 12 and under. The Fun Run starts at 8:30am (ages 2-6 years) and 8:40am (ages 7-12 years) at the Becker Community Center.  
To pre-register go to [www.beckercommunitycenter.com](http://www.beckercommunitycenter.com) for a registration form or call the BCC at 763-261-5900.

**PARADE**

11:00am (line up begins at 10:00am).  
Pre-registration forms available at the Becker Community Center or online at [www.beckercommunitycenter.com](http://www.beckercommunitycenter.com)  
\*Must pre-register to get your line-up spot!

**COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES**

*Entertainment and activities will take place at the old Becker Fire Hall unless otherwise stated.*

**Memorial Blood Center Blood Drive** 9:00am-3:00pm (school parking lot)

**Craft Show** 10:00am-4:00pm

**Games/Inflatables** Noon-6:00pm

**Food and Beverage Vendors** Noon-10:00pm

**Hasse Petting Zoo & Pony Rides** Noon-3:30pm

**Bingo** Noon-5:00pm

**Freedom Day Golf Activities & Special Events**

**Freedom Days Dance Camp Performance** (on stage on Hancock St)

**Becker Blast Freedom Days Softball Tournament** @ BAC from Friday, June 14-Sunday, June 16

Many other activities...

**ENTERTAINMENT**

**Bob & The Beachcombers** @ Noon-4:00pm

**Evening Entertainment/Band – Outdoor Recess** @ 6:00pm-10:00pm

**Fireworks** @ 10:00pm

## 2013 Sponsorship

It takes a lot of people and financial support to put on such a great event. There are many opportunities for you to get involved and sponsor different portions of this event or volunteer your time. This is a great and economical way to advertise your business to 3000-5000 people in one day. Please feel free to contact us at [mramola@ci.becker.mn.us](mailto:mramola@ci.becker.mn.us) if you would like to advertise your business through Freedom Days or if you have any questions you can also reach Megan Ramola or Jamie Cassidy by phone at 763-200-4271.

## Becker Community Center

**Freedom Days**

Save the Date! Freedom Days Week is June 10<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup>! Freedom Days 5K and 1K scheduled for Saturday, June 15<sup>th</sup>. Many other activities downtown on the 15<sup>th</sup> such as the parade, children's games, entertainment of Bob and the Beachcombers playing from 12-4pm and Outside Recess playing from 6-10pm!

**Freedom Days Dance Camp**

Join the Becker Dazzlers Dance Team for a fun filled week of dance instruction, fitness and fun followed by participation in the Becker Freedom Days Parade and a stage performance after the parade! Participants who register before June 4<sup>th</sup> will be guaranteed a t-shirt.

Ages 3-12 (boys and girls)

Monday-Thursday, June 10-13; 6-7:30pm at Becker City Park

Cost: \$59 before June 4<sup>th</sup> or \$65 June 5<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>. \$10 discount per sibling.

**Ballet and Jazz Dance Class**

Calling all boys and girls! Join this class for a fun and interactive way to learn and practice ballet and jazz!

July 22-August 26

3&4 year olds 5:45-6:15pm; 5-8 year olds 6:30-7:30pm; 9-12 year olds 7:45-8:45pm

Cost: Members \$45, Non Members \$55. \$5 discount per sibling. Must pre-register.

**Discovery Kids Puterbugs**

Kids ages 3-6 get to become computer detectives with a mission to solve! Each child gets their own computer and will learn at their own pace. Every lesson has hands on learning with the keyboard, hand/eye coordination using the mouse for click and drag, problem solving and a lot of creativity!

6-6:30pm; Mondays & Tuesdays: June 24<sup>th</sup> – July 9<sup>th</sup> (\$65 per child)

6-7:00pm; Tuesdays & Wednesdays: August 6<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> (\$75 per child)

**Summer Adventure Zone – Recreation Childcare**

SAZ offers a safe and positive environment, age-appropriate activities, and quality staff. Curriculum consists of a variety of enriching, educational, FUN weekly themed activities for children entering grades K-6. Our kids enjoy swimming, rockwall, library, crafts, experiments, gym time, outside play, and other fun adventures! We will also have three off site field trips & three all day trips to Becker City Park.

**Group Swimming Lessons**

Now registering for American Red Cross swimming lessons! Levels include Parent/Child, Pre-school, and Level 1-3. Classes this summer are available in the mornings and evenings. Cost is \$40 members or \$45 for non members.

**Farmer's Market**

May 17<sup>th</sup> – October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2013

Fridays 3-7pm in the Becker Community Center Parking Lot

**Friday Fun Floats**

Float on your inflatable and sing along to your favorite summer tunes. Grab a rootbeer float too!

Summer Fridays ~ June 7<sup>th</sup> – August 30<sup>th</sup> ~ 12-8pm.



# City of Becker Newsletter

## June & July



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### Police

The City of Becker and its employees take Emergency Management and what our response should be very serious. Recently, department heads and administrators participated in a tabletop exercise at City Hall to brainstorm and work through various scenarios that could affect the City and its residents. Our main purpose for discussing and practicing these scenarios such as this is to enhance our effectiveness should a disaster or major event occur here in Becker. We all know and recognize major events create uncertainty and concern and we want to ensure our citizens and our employees that we are prepared and ready to respond should a tornado, severe thunderstorm, or any other major event occur within one or more of our buildings. Preparedness helps ensure our response. We will continue to plan and prepare for these events to ensure an appropriate response to our citizens.

A reminder that Night to Unite/National Night Out will be held on Tuesday August 6<sup>th</sup> this year. For anyone planning on having neighborhood or block parties, this would be a great night to have those events. We again will have a community picnic at Kolbinger Park and will respond to any neighborhood party to say hi. Please contact the Police Department to register your event so we can make sure we stop by.

Have a safe and fun summer! Brent Baloun, Chief of Police

### Business Spotlight

Miller Machine has been in business since 1944 and has grown from a small two-stall garage in Minneapolis to a 10,000 square foot facility in Osseo to their current facility in the Becker Industrial Park. They currently employ 16 people, which is about double the workforce from the year before. Miller Machine specializes in CNC turning, milling and screw machine work. In addition, they also have numerous saws and manual machines that allow them to handle anything from prototype to long run production. Some of their clients include refrigeration and heating companies, munitions and recreational businesses and large paving corporations.

Miller Machine is versatile enough to provide many different levels of manufacturing, including lathe and milling operations in specifications up to 6" and 40-lbs. (lathe) to 20"x50" and 200-lbs. (milling). For high-volume small part production, Miller Machine uses six Brown N' Sharp automatic screw machines. They are able to manufacture items in a variety of sizes from a fraction of an inch to pieces over six-feet tall. Twenty machines are capable of running production at any one time and the workers have the capability to manufacture a wide range of materials with a multitude of different grades. Some of the materials they work with are aluminum, brass, steel, stainless and plastic. Miller Machine prides itself in being able to produce a product and have it shipped back to the customer in as little as 2-3 weeks.

Cyndi Wahl took over as owner of Miller Machine for her father as of the first of January 2011. Prior to that, she had been the company's office manager for eight years. Cyndi is in the process of obtaining the Women's Business Enterprise (WBE) Certification through the Women's Business Enterprise National Council which will give her a competitive edge among other similar types of machine shops in the region. She is also anticipating increasing the size of her current operation by the end of the year. This new growth will enable them to continue working more efficiently with their existing customers and generate new customers in the region.

Thank you to Cindy Wahl, owner of Miller Machine, Inc. in addition to all of your staff for your continued dedication and hard work. We appreciate having your businesses in the City of Becker!

### Utility News

Pay with Credit Card/Online payment, or Direct Debit. Get form at [www.ci.becker.mn.us](http://www.ci.becker.mn.us). For questions, Call Nadean at 763-200-4251. **Due Date July 15<sup>th</sup>.**

### Clean Up Day

Becker Township and City of Becker  
**May 18th, 2013 8:00—2:00**

### June & July Meeting Dates

#### City Council

Tuesday, June 4<sup>th</sup> 5:00 p.m.  
Tuesday, June 18<sup>th</sup> 5:00 p.m.  
Tuesday, July 2<sup>nd</sup> 5:00 p.m.  
Tuesday, July 16<sup>th</sup> 5:00 p.m.

#### EDA

Monday, June 10<sup>th</sup> 5:30 p.m.  
Monday, July 8<sup>th</sup> 5:30 p.m.

#### Planning Commission

Monday, June 24<sup>th</sup> 7:00 p.m.  
Monday, July 29<sup>th</sup> 7:00 p.m.

#### Park & Rec Committee

Wednesday, June 24<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm\*  
Wednesday, July 26<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm.\*

\*Meetings are held at the Becker Community Center.

### Phone Numbers & Contacts

Local Number: 763 -261 -4302

City Hall..... 763 -200 - 4239  
Public Works.....763 - 200 - 4275  
Metro West Inspections.....763 - 479 - 1720  
  
Water Supply Department.....763 -200 - 4276  
Community Center.....763 -200 - 4271  
Pro Shop.....763 -200 - 4268  
POLICE.....763 -200 - 4267  
EMERGENCY.....9-1-1

City Administrator .....Greg Pruszinske  
Asst. Admin/Community Dev Dir .....Kelli Neu  
Treasurer.....Corey Boyer  
Community Dev. Coordinator.....Amanda Fiedler

**Meeting Locations:** All meetings are held at the Becker City Hall Council Chambers, unless noted. Meetings in the Chambers are equipped with hearing aid devices.

- **Compost Access Cards**  
**are available at City Hall**  
**8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.**

**City Offices Closed**  
**Monday, May 27th, Memorial**  
**Day**  
**Thursday, July 4th,**

### Weather Facts

- In 2010, Minnesota had the all time record of tornados in the nation.
- There are about 20 million lightning strikes per year. If you are within 30 miles of lightning you are close enough to be struck.
- Outdoor sirens have ONE meaning and that is to warn people of a threat. The sirens are only meant to be heard outdoors. When a siren is heard, go to a radio, TV, internet, etc to find out what the threat is. The sirens have 117 items that trigger an siren such as a problem at the nuclear plant, weather, terrorists, etc.
- Any area within 10 miles of the nuclear plant will be alerted for the same threat. For example, if the sirens go off in Buffalo for a weather threat, they will also go off in Elk River.
- 'Like' the National Weather Service' on Facebook for up to date weather information.

