



JULY 26th - 29th 2018

This is Milaca's annual bluegrass festival held in Milaca's historical recreational park. This four day event is sponsored by Milaca's Park Commission and features some of the region's most noted bluegrass bands and musicians, educational workshops, instrumental jam sessions, food and beverage vendors.

Bring your lawn chair (and "Jammers" bring your instruments) and join some of the finest people you'll meet anywhere for a weekend of bluegrass music and fun!

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2018 Gate Admission

- \$25 - Weekend Pass (Fri, Sat & Sun)
- \$10 - Youth Ages 13 - 18
- \$20 - Saturday Only
- \$10 - Friday or Sunday
- Kids 12 and under are FREE with an adult admission.*



List of band performers on Page 2.

Bandshell Performances

Workshop Schedule



Thursday

6:30pm - Stonybrook

Friday

3:00 - Mary DuShane & Nick Jordan
4:15 - Carver Creek Bluegrass Band
5:30 - Singleton Street
6:45 - Tony Rook
8:00 - Porcupine Creek
9:15 - Jam with the Band
(Porcupine Creek)



Saturday

12:00 - Carver Creek Bluegrass Band
1:15 - Campfire Band
2:00 - Campfire Band
2:45 - Mary DuShane & Nick Jordan
4:00 - Ostrom Family Band
5:15 - Singleton Street
6:30 - Porcupine Creek
7:45 - Tony Rook
9:00 - Jam with the Band
(Tony Rook)



Sunday

11:00 - Ostrom Family Band
12:15 - Cross Country
1:30 - Stonybrook



Friday

Tent #1

12:30 - Yodeling - Mary Campbell
1:45 - Bass - Sarah Birkeland (Porcupine Creek)
3:00 - Fiddle - Paul Blondell



Tent #2

12:30 - Vocal Techniques - Singleton Street
1:45 - Dobro - Holger Olesen (Porcupine Creek)
3:00 - Mandolin - Tony Rook Band

Saturday

Tent #1

10:00 - Arranging Songs (Singleton Street)
11:15 - Uke I
12:30 - Guitar - Tony Rook
1:45 - Uke II
3:00 - Bass Runs - Singleton Street



Tent #2

9:30 - Cajun fiddle - Mary DuShane
10:45 - Advanced guitar - Lew Tousignant
12:30 - Fiddle - Paul Blondell
1:45 - Mandolin - Singleton Street
3:00 - Banjo - Tony Rook Band



Tent #3 - Activities Tent

12:00 - Intro to Instruments - Ostrom Family
Guitar - Mandolin - Fiddle
2:00 - Musical Saw Demonstration - Carver Creek
3:15 - Uke Jam



Make plans to "PLAY N' STAY". Overnight onsite camping is available for the weekend. These primitive sites are located along the banks of the Rum River with access to over 14 miles of hiking and biking trails and scenic woodlands. Sites are within walking distance from the band shell. Campfires are allowed in approved fire rings and designated areas.

Showers will be available on-site.

2018 Weekend Camping Rate
(prices listed are for the entire weekend)

\$30 RV (\$10 per add-on tent to any site)
\$20 Tent

For reservations call Pete: 320-237-2657
or email: info@milacarecfest.com

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Should You Have the Air Ducts in Your Home Cleaned?



Knowledge about air duct cleaning is in its early stages, so a blanket recommendation cannot be offered as to whether you should have your air ducts in your home cleaned. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) urges you to read this document in its entirety as it provides important information on the subject.

Duct cleaning has never been shown to actually prevent health problems. Neither do studies conclusively demonstrate that particle (e.g., dust) levels in homes increase because of dirty air ducts. This is because much of the dirt in air ducts adheres to duct surfaces and does not necessarily enter the living space. It is important to keep in mind that dirty air ducts are only one of many possible sources of particles that are present in homes. Pollutants that enter the home both from outdoors and indoor activities such as cooking, cleaning, smoking, or just moving around can cause greater exposure to contaminants than dirty air ducts. Moreover, there is no evidence that a light amount of household dust or other particulate matter in *air ducts* poses any risk to your health.

You should consider having the air ducts in your home cleaned if:

1. There is substantial visible mold growth inside hard surface (e.g., sheet metal) ducts or on other components of your heating and cooling system. There are several important points to understand concerning mold detection in heating and cooling systems:
 - a. *Many sections of your heating and cooling system may not be accessible for a visible inspection, so ask the service provider to show you any mold they say exists.*
 - b. *You should be aware that although a substance may look like mold, a positive determination of whether it is mold or not can be made only by an expert and may require laboratory analysis for final confirmation. For about \$50, some microbiology laboratories can tell you whether a sample sent to them on a clear strip of sticky household tape is mold or simply a substance that resembles it.*
 - c. *If you have insulated air ducts and the insulation gets wet or moldy it cannot be effectively cleaned and should be removed and replaced.*
 - d. *If the conditions causing the mold growth in the first place are not corrected, mold growth will recur.*
2. Ducts are infested with vermin, e.g. (rodents or insects).
3. Ducts are clogged with excessive amounts of dust and debris and/or particles are actually released into the home from your supply registers.

If any of the conditions identified above exists, it usually suggests one or more underlying causes. Prior to any cleaning, retrofitting, or replacing of your ducts, the cause or causes must be corrected or else the problem will likely recur. Some research suggests that cleaning heating and cooling system components (e.g., cooling coils, fans and heat exchangers) may improve the efficiency of your system, resulting in a longer operating life, as well as some energy and maintenance cost savings. However, little evidence exists that cleaning only the ducts will improve the efficiency of the system. You may consider having your air ducts cleaned simply because it seems logical that air ducts will get dirty over time and should be occasionally cleaned. Provided that the cleaning is done properly, no evidence suggests that such cleaning would be detrimental. EPA does not recommend that the air ducts be cleaned routinely, but only as needed. EPA does, however, recommend that if you have a fuel burning furnace, stove or fireplace, they be inspected for proper functioning and serviced before each heating season to protect against carbon monoxide poisoning.

If you do decide to have your air ducts cleaned, take the same consumer precautions you normally would in assessing the service provider's competence and reliability.

Air duct cleaning service providers may tell you that they need to apply chemical biocide to the inside of your ducts as a means to kill bacteria (germs) and fungi (mold) and prevent future biological growth. They may also propose the application of a "sealant" to prevent dust and dirt particles from being released into the air or to seal air leaks. You should fully understand the pros and cons of permitting application of chemical biocides or sealants. While the targeted use of chemical biocides and sealants may be appropriate under specific circumstances, research has not demonstrated their effectiveness in duct cleaning or their potential adverse health effects. No chemical biocides are currently registered by EPA for use in internally-insulated air duct systems (see [Should chemical biocides be applied to the inside of air ducts?](#)).

Whether or not you decide to have the air ducts in your home cleaned, preventing water and dirt from entering the system is the most effective way to prevent contamination.



WATER/SEWER BILL REMINDER: To avoid a late penalty on your water/sewer bill, be sure to have your payment in the mail by the 13th of each month so it will be postmarked by the 15th. Processing Milaca mail now takes 2 days. Mailing payment **on** the 14th or 15th will result in a late penalty.

LIQUOR STORE NOTES

Summer is finally here!!! We have ICE cold beer and malt beverages, like all the new Hard Seltzer waters. The Seltzer's are low calorie and refreshing in the summer heat.

We continue to bring in new products every month, if we do not have what you are looking for, just let us know and we will try to find it.

We are doing tastings every Friday night from 4:00-7pm. Stop in and try something new this Friday night.



We are Open Sunday's from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm. So if you forgot something, we're here for you!

Our profits go back to Your city, so Thank You for shopping Milaca Liquor.

Don't forget to drink responsibly and have a designated driver!

FILING FOR CITY COUNCIL

Filing for City Council starts July 31 and goes until Tuesday, August 14. Filing closes at 5:00 pm on August 14.

Council members Laurie Gahm and Norris Johnson are up for re-election as well as Mayor Harold "Pete" Pedersen. City Council candidates are not included in the Primary Election. See Page 7 for more information on Primary Elections.

There is a \$2.00 filing fee and filing is done at the City of Milaca between the hours of 7:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m. (except for the last day of filing which is then 5 p.m.)

If you have any questions in regard to the general election or filing for city offices, please contact City Manager Tammy Pfaff at 320-983-3141 or tpfaff@milacacity.com

See Page 7 for more information on Primary Elections.



MILACA MUNICIPAL AIRPORT 50TH ANNUAL FLY-IN/DRIVE-IN SUNDAY, AUGUST 5TH, 2018

Free Admission/Parking

*Fly-In or Drive-In and bring the Family for a great Sunday Full Menu Breakfast. You are also welcome to join us **Saturday** evening for a **Flag Retirement Ceremony** by the **Milaca American Legion** at 6:30 PM. Overnight under-wing camping is available, picnic tables and grill available for anyone to use. See many airplane displays and visit with local pilots in their hangars. You are welcome to bring a chair to better enjoy the festivities.*

BREAKFAST (0700 to 1200 hours)

Adults = \$8:00 Children 6 to 12 years = \$4.00: under 6 years eat Free

Directions: From junction of 10th St. NE and 110th Ave. go 1/2 mile north on 110th Ave. to 155th St.

SATURDAY EVE. 6:30 PM AUGUST 4TH

The Milaca American Legion will perform a Flag Retirement Ceremony, all are welcome

SUNDAY, AUGUST 5TH BREAKFAST

**Breakfast Menu: (All you can eat)
Pancakes, Sausage, Ham, Eggs, Fruit
and beverage.**

Served by Milaca American Legion



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Longitude: 093-37-55.8640W
CTAF= 122.9
FSS = 122.2
TPA = 1900 ft.
Fuel = 100LL
RNY = 16/34 2900 ft.

PARKS



Have you been down to Recreation Park lately to see all the changes? We are happy to announce that the 100 foot Zip Line and Boulder Rock are installed and ready to be used by our park visitors! Funding for this equipment was donated by Bill Hjort of Town & Country Finance.

Recreation Park is filled with activities for the whole family. There is also disc golf, the splash pad, biking/walking trails, and ball fields. All this in addition to the zip line and boulder rock. Don't forget about the canoeing and kayaking on the Rum River. What a great park to have your next family reunion held at!



Reservations should be made by calling city hall to rent any of the shelters in any of our parks and for renting the Gorecki Community Center. Reservations can be made by calling 320-983-3141 to verify if a date is available. You can then go online to our website at www.cityofmilaca.org to complete the form for the shelter you would like to reserve.



Splash pad hours are daily from 10 am to 8 pm from Memorial Day through Labor Day. There is no fee to use the splash pad. Also, please remember that you cannot reserve the splash pad.

During Rec Fest activities in Rec Park July 26-29, splash pad, zip line and other playground equipment will still be accessible to the public.



FIRE DEPARTMENT



The Milaca Fire Department received a \$2,000.00 CenterPoint Energy Partnership Grant check at their Monday, June 18th drill from Ryan Goetz of CenterPoint Energy. The grant will be used to help purchase a new MSA G1 self contained breathing apparatus.

The new unit will have integrated thermal imaging so fire-fighters will not have to carry a separate thermal imaging camera to search for the seat of a fire or possible victims.

On behalf of the Milaca Fire Department, we would like to say "Thank You" to CenterPoint Energy for this grant.

Primary Election

2018 Primary dates

- Primary Election Day is Tuesday, August 14.
- Vote by mail or in person June 29 through August 13.
- **Register in advance by July 24 to save time on Election Day.**



What is a primary election?

A primary election determines which candidates will be on the ballot in the November general election.

For example, five candidates from one political party might run for governor. Only one candidate can be on the ballot in November. The winner of the August primary election will represent their party on the November election ballot.

There may be two kinds of offices on your primary ballot: partisan offices and nonpartisan offices.

Partisan offices

Partisan offices will list a political party next to a candidate's name on the ballot. All state and federal offices—such as U.S. representative or Minnesota senator—are partisan offices.

Partisan candidates will be listed in two columns on the front side of the primary ballot. One column will list the Democratic-Farmer-Labor Party candidates. The other column will list the Republican Party candidates.

You can only vote for candidates from one political party. If you vote for candidates from both political parties, your votes will not count. You decide which one of the two parties you will vote for—Minnesota does not have political party registration.

Nonpartisan offices

Nonpartisan offices will not list a political party next to a candidate's name on the ballot. For example, county, city, township and school board offices are nonpartisan.

Nonpartisan offices will be listed on the back side of the primary ballot. You can vote for any candidate. The candidates who get the most votes will be on the November general election ballot.

For more election/voting information, go to the Secretary of State website: www.sos.state.mn.us.



CITY OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED ON THE FOLLOWING DAYS:

WEDNESDAY, JULY 4

INDEPENDENCE DAY

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

LABOR DAY

MEETING DATES

CITY COUNCIL	PLANNING COMMISSION	PARKS BOARD	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
July 19	July 9	July 3	July 23
August 16	August 13	August 7	August 20
September 20	September 10	September 4	September 24
City Council meetings are held the third Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at Milaca City Hall.	Planning Commission Meetings are held as needed, the second Monday at 6:00 p.m. at Milaca City Hall.	Park Board meetings are held the first Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at Milaca American Legion.	EDC meetings are held the Monday after city council meetings of each month at 7:30 a.m. at Milaca City Hall.

City Council minutes and agendas are at our website: www.cityofmilaca.org. Be sure to check our website for the latest news and events!

Please call City Hall at 320-983-3141 to confirm any of the above mentioned meeting dates and times as dates are subject to change.

DIRECT PAYMENTS



Tired of paying late fees on your Utility Bill each month? City of Milaca offers Direct Payment to help avoid late fees and save postage (which is now \$0.50 per stamp). When you sign up for Direct Payment, you will still get your monthly billing statement but it will be watermarked with “Direct Payment—Do Not Pay”. Payment is taken out on the 15th of each month from your checking or savings (you let us know which one you want). If the 15th is a weekend or holiday, payment will be taken out the next business day. There is NO FEE for this option of payment. Contact City Hall at 320-983-3141 for more information or go to www.cityofmilaca.org for form.

OTHER PAYMENT OPTION

City of Milaca also accepts debit/credit card payments for utility billing, invoices, building permits, dog licenses, park permits, and solicitor/peddler/transient merchant permits.

When paying your utility bill, you simply go to www.cityofmilaca.org and click on Online Payment. You will need your account number. If you don't know it, call Deloris at City Hall and she will get your account number.

There will be a minimum \$3.00 Convenience Fee up to \$113.00. Convenience Fee for purchases over \$113.00 will be 2.65% of amount. A service fee is a fee that the government, education and utility industries are allowed to assess for credit card transactions versus other forms of payments (such as cash or check). A service fee is paid directly by the individual consumer who chooses to pay via their credit card, or with an electronic check online.



DEP REG NOTES

What's the deal with REAL ID?

June 18, 2018

You've heard about REAL ID off and on for a while now. You know you will be able to apply for one starting October 1. But a glance at your license tells you it expires this summer. What should you do?

The answer is simple: If you have a driver's license or ID card that expires before October 1, just renew it as you normally would. Because Minnesota is on track to

issue [REAL ID-compliant cards](#) later this year, you should be able to use your standard driver's license or identification card for domestic air travel or access to federal facilities [until 2020](#).

If you want to renew now but also get your REAL ID before your license next expires, you can do so for an additional small fee. The advantage to doing it that way is it adds an additional four years to your expiration date. The fees for early renewals are as follows:

- \$2 for a renewal 17 months before expiration.
- \$4 for a renewal 18-29 months before expiration.
- \$6 for a renewal more than 29 months before expiration.

Let's say, for example, that your [standard driver's license](#) expires in August of 2018, and you renew it at that time. Then, when REAL ID becomes available, you decide to renew it early – say, November of 2018. At that point, you would pay the \$25.25 fee (the same as the cost for a standard driver's license), plus the \$6 for early renewal because it's more than 29 months before your license next expires. Your new REAL ID would have an expiration date of August 2026.

Using the same scenario, you could choose to renew your license in August of 2018 but not get a REAL ID right away. If that were the case, you could still use your driver's license for identification purposes and lawful driving privileges until it expires in August of 2022. However, you wouldn't be able to use it to get on a domestic flight or into a federal facility after October 1, 2020. You would need to present a valid passport along with it, or present an [Enhanced Driver's License](#) or an alternate form of identification as designated by the [U.S. Transportation Security Administration \(TSA\)](#).

As the REAL ID availability date approaches, it's important to remember you have lots of options. Choosing the best one for your lifestyle and planning ahead will keep things running smoothly.

Please go to the MN Department of Public Safety website www.dps.mn.gov for more information and updates on the Real ID.



Law Enforcement Memorial Association specialized plates are now available for passenger class vehicles, one-ton pick-up trucks and self-propelled RV's. There is a minimum one-time \$25.00 contribution and then there will be an additional \$5.00 annual contribution with your vehicle registration renewal. These funds are used to aid families and department of fallen officer.

Next time you renew your vehicle registration, ask your deputy registrar agent for more details.

All of us at the Milaca Deputy Registrar's office would like to thank each and everyone for your continued patience during this MnLARS computer transition. Have a wonderful summer!





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“Reflections” is printed every 3 months.
 Stop in at city hall to pick up a copy.

If you have an e-mail address and would like to receive this newsletter via e-mail, please contact city hall and we will include your address and send you a COLORED copy of “Reflections”.

You may also go to our website to view the newsletter:

www.cityofmilaca.org

Next issue will be available in October, 2018.

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