



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
City of Duluth Parks and Recreation Division

411 West First Street, Duluth, Minnesota 55802
218-730-4309 | www.duluthmn.gov | Kathleen Bergen, Parks and Recreation Division Mgr.

For more information contact Amy Norris, Public Information Coordinator 218-730-4312

DATE: 04/06/2011

SUBJECT: 16th Annual Clean and Green scheduled for April 15-23

BY: Amy Norris, Public Information Coordinator

City of Duluth 16th Annual Clean and Green week set, citizens asked to lend a hand April 15-23.

Asking Duluthians to lend a hand in cleaning up the city's public green spaces, Mayor Don Ness announced that April 15-23rd is the date of the 16th annual "Clean and Green Duluth" city-wide clean up week.

"We've received a great response from Duluthians to this annual project and we are asking for the best turnout yet during the week of April 15-23rd," Mayor Ness said. "Our goal is to clean up Duluth for the coming of another spring and summer season." As the snow melts it has uncovered months of debris along our city streets, yards and parks.

Last year, well over a thousand Duluthians turned out to help clean up the Lakewalk, city parks and other public areas, either as part of over 45 neighborhood groups who "adopted" a favorite area of the city, or acting as private citizens.

In addition, other Duluthians will be cleaning up their own property. Mayor Ness requested that citizens who plan to do the same this year use their regular waste hauler or Western Lake Superior Sanitary facilities to dispose of refuse. Many waste haulers offer services for those who can not transport their waste or require assistance. "Citizens who are cleaning up their houses and yards should contact their waste haulers to dispose of bulky materials or utilize the Western Lake Superior Sanitary District's Materials Recovery Center located on Rice Lake Road, the Yard Waste Composting Site and the Household Hazardous Waste Facility which both are located at 27th Avenue West." Mayor Ness said. "City crews have the big job of picking up waste from public areas, but will not be collecting waste from private property. Using WLSSD facilities will ensure that refuse is taken care of quickly, and not stacked up on the curbs and boulevards."

Free bags are available for "Clean and Green" registered groups. Bags can be picked up at the Parks and Recreation office located at 12 East 4th Street (corner of Lake Avenue and 4th Street) Monday-Thursday between the hours of 8:00 AM-4:00 PM. If you would like more information or would like to participate in this community project please contact 730-4312 or anorris@anorris@duluthmn.gov

#

