

# **Belview Bulletin**

## **July 2008**

### **Life In The Landfill:**

Here is a breakdown of the time it takes for certain commonly discarded materials to breakdown in a landfill, according to Worldwise.com and Whole Foods research:

Plastic bags.....	1,000 years
Aluminum Cans.....	80-100 years
Tin Cans.....	50-100 years
Plastic coated milk cartons.....	5 years
Orange peels.....	6 months
Paper.....	2-5 months

Thanks to Twyla Bavier for sharing this thought provoking article. For a Redwood County Recycling list that explains what items may be recycled contact Lori at the City Clerk's Office.

### **5<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL NATIONAL NITE OUT:**

You are invited to attend the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual National Nite Out Event, which will be held on Tuesday, August 5<sup>th</sup> in the air-conditioned Odeon Hall. This year the Parkview Home staff will be serving a Grilled Hamburger Full Meal Deal so just come and enjoy. There will also be a drawing, hands-on-demonstrations, blood pressure and blood sugar checks. Everyone is welcome.

### **ELECTION JUDGES NEEDED:**

The City of Belview is seeking citizens to serve as election judges to staff the polling place and assist citizens in the September primary and November general election. Approximately 10 judges are needed.

More individuals are eligible to serve this year as recent legislation has removed a previous requirement that citizens identify a political party affiliation to be eligible candidates.

Serving as an election judge is a great learning and civic opportunity for those citizens who want to be involved in their community.

Election judges are paid \$8 per hour, received paid training and serve on Primary Election Day, Sept. 9<sup>th</sup> and General Election Day, Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>. With advance notice, employers must allow workers time off to serve as election judges.

Some qualifications to serve as an election judge include being eligible to vote in Minnesota, and speaking fluent English. High school students age 16 and older may serve as trainee election judges.

If you are interested in becoming an election judge or have more questions please call Lori at 507-938-4335 (if possible before 8/1/08).