



Join Bloomington Parks and Recreation and area sponsors in welcoming winter during the 8th Annual Winter Fete celebration in Bloomington. This year Winter Fete activities will take place throughout the City from Friday, January 29 through Sunday, January 31.



All Winter Fete activities are free unless otherwise noted, and fun for the whole family! Highlights this year include the third annual Pond Dakota Winter History Festival and the ever-popular Family Chill Out.

Friday, January 29, 2010

KENNEDY MITES HOCKEY EXHIBITION

Running Park (6 - 8 pm)

9501 12th Avenue South, Bloomington

Watch the Kennedy Mites hockey team take on the Kennedy Boys varsity squad in this yearly contest of skill and fun. Exhibition games start at 6 PM. Sponsored by the Kennedy Hockey Booster Club. For more information please call 612-916-6662.

BLOOMINGTON GIRLS HOCKEY EXHIBITION

Westwood Park 6 - 8 pm

3490 W 109th St., Bloomington

Watch the Jefferson and Kennedy Girls varsity teams take on the girl mites in crazy and fun exhibition games. Exhibition games start at 6 PM. For more information please call 651-431-4596

Saturday, January 30, 2010

WINTER FETE BROOMBALL TOURNAMENT

Tretbaugh Park (8 am start time)

3701 West 90th St., Bloomington

Register your team for this popular and exciting winter sport to be held at Tretbaugh Park. This tournament is sponsored by USA Broomball. Open to Men's and Co-Rec divisions, this is an MSF sanctioned event and USA Broomball rules apply. USA Broomball certified referees will be used. Visit www.BloomingtonBroomball.com for registration form and details.

FAMILY CHILL OUT

Brookside Park (12 - 3 pm)

10000 Xerxes Ave S., Bloomington

Come and bring your family for an afternoon of frosty fun. Winter activities include Sledding, Ice skating, Winter Bingo, Music, Snow Painting, and Scavenger Hunt. Hot cocoa, cider and cookies will be served while supplies last. This is a **FREE** event! Please bring a nonperishable, non-breakable food item to be donated to a local food shelf. For more information please call 952-563-8877

Sunday, January 31, 2010

POND DAKOTA WINTER HISTORY FEST

Pond Dakota Mission Park (12 - 4 pm)

401 E. 104th St., Bloomington

Experience winter on the frontier from a dogsled! **Dogsled Rides will be given continuously** from noon – 4:00 p.m. in Pond Dakota Mission Park, 401 East 104th Street in Bloomington. After your ride, stop off at the historic Gideon Pond House to warm up around the fireplace and listen to authentic **pioneer music**. **Gideon Pond** himself will give tours of the house and bring to life rich stories of Bloomington's frontier past. Outside, sit in a traditional **Tipi**, and learn about the tipi as a home and shelter for Dakota Indians. Play **Dakota games**. Learn about logging while using some of the tools of the trade in the **Logging Camp** and hear stories about this important part of Minnesota history. Help saw logs and make your own fire-branded piece to take home!

- **Entrance fee is \$3 per person** (under 4, free).
- **Dogsled rides are an additional \$2 per person**
- **Free hot cider, cocoa and other treats** will be available throughout the day. **Hot soup** available for \$1!
- **Limited parking** is available in the Pond Dakota Mission Park parking lot (**please do not park along the driveway**). Additional free parking is available at Emmanuel Lutheran Church or in the Kelly Playfield lot. For more information on the Winter History Fest, please visit the City of Bloomington website at www.ci.bloomington.mn.us (Keywords "Winter Fete") or call 952-563-8877.



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