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Lakeland Shores

The **Official Posting Places** for Lakeland Shores City meetings is at the **posting boards** next to the tennis courts, along the bike path and on the City website www.lakelandshores.govoffice.com.

A majority of the City Council may be in attendance at any City meeting. Please note: City Council meetings held at the Lakeland City Hall, 690 Quinnell Ave. N., Lakeland, MN 55043.

Calendar

Note: All city meetings start at 6:30 p.m. and held at the Lakeland City Hall except as noted otherwise.

Thursday, May 2

City Council Meeting

Saturday, May 4

Spring Clean-up – 8:00 a.m. – Noon
Aggregate Industries Brush Disposal Site – 8:00 a.m. - Noon

Sunday, May 5

Pancake Breakfast – 8 a.m. – Noon
LSCVFD

Tuesday, May 7

LSCV Yellow Ribbon Meeting – 6 p.m.
Sail Away Café in Afton

Monday, May 27

Memorial Day – City office is closed.

Water Management

The St. Croix River and Lake St. Croix are a very vital part of our community. It is a beautiful natural resource enjoyed by many in our small City. It was likely the St. Croix River or some aspect of it that brought you to this area to create your home in the first place. Because the St. Croix is such an important part of our City, you may wonder what we do to help protect the St. Croix River. Cities, including Lakeland Shores, play a very important role in protecting and improving the natural resource value of the St. Croix. Lakeland Shores has adopted specific ordinances aimed at protecting the scenic, recreational, geologic, fish and wildlife, historic, cultural and other important values that the river brings to the community. Ordinances related to the St. Croix River work to regulate the amount of vegetation that can be cleared adjacent to the river, help to control and purify runoff generated from streets and buildings before it reaches the river, help to reduce the risk of erosion and bluff failure by limiting where development can occur adjacent to the river, and more. If you have any summer plans to remodel your home, clear vegetation from the river bank, or other activities be sure to check with the City before you start your project. Our goal is to work together to protect and improve the river way!

In addition to ordinances, the City is also a member of the Middle St. Croix Watershed Management Organization (MSCWMO). Through the organization, the City partners with nine other communities on the St. Croix River (Afton, Bayport, Baytown Twp., Lakeland, Lakeland Shores, Lake St. Croix Beach, Oak Park Heights, St. Mary's Point, Stillwater, and West Lakeland Township) to assist each other in managing the water resources of the area. Together, these communities take on targeted projects to reduce the amount of pollution reaching the St. Croix River. Examples of these types of projects include the installation of rain gardens, which can be seen throughout the area, bluffland restoration projects (see an example at the public beach in Lake St. Croix Beach), ravine stabilization projects, and shoreline stabilization projects. In addition to larger scale projects, the MSCWMO also has knowledgeable staff available that are willing to come to your individual property to talk about simple things you yourself can do to improve the quality of the St. Croix River. If you'd like to have a representative visit with you free of charge, please call Amy Carolan at 651-275-1136 ext. 22 to arrange an appointment. For more information on protecting the St. Croix and what is being done, please contact Dave Zannmiller (Councilmember 651-492-7327), Amy Carolan (MSCWMO, 651-275-1136 ext. 22), or Molly Shodeen (MnDNR, 651-259-5802).

**Spring Clean-Up is
Saturday, May 4
8:00 a.m. – Noon**

**See pages 6 and 7 of
this newsletter for
details and prices.**

Hello to the neighbors and residents of Lakeland Shores,

The Lower St. Croix Valley Fire Department calendar I have hanging in my home says it is the middle of April. However, as I sit to author this letter for the spring 2013 edition of the Lakeland Shores newsletter, I see out the window snow on the ground and more falling. And wait, what is that sound I hear? Is it the robins and cardinals singing their song? No, it is the sound of my furnace again kicking on. It is for sure we cannot count on the weather or be able to predict its behavior precisely, but we certainly can count on and predicts the state of affairs in this wonderful city of Lakeland Shores.

The three core services of municipal government are to provide public safety, emergency services, and enhance and maintain infrastructure such as streets and utilities. I am proud to say you can continue to count on your city council to ensure those services are effectively and efficiently delivered. In addition, you can very assuredly predict those services are available long into the future. Lakeland Shores has a strong working relationship with the Washington County Sheriff's Office and the Lower St. Croix Valley Fire Department, along with our other vendors. We are quite fortunate to have built those partnerships together.

Since the last newsletter, we have added a new city council member of Zoe Zhi, pronounced Zoey Zee. Zoe is a welcome addition to the council and brings in expertise to our fiscal management area. Zoe earned the seat vacated by Dave Jarvis. We are pleased to welcome Zoe to the council, we thank Dave Jarvis for his years of service, and we wish him well.

A few other significant changes have occurred in the city as well. The northern and southern portions of Quinlan Avenue are paved. All of our city streets are now paved. New owners have taken possession of the former Borderline Bar. Remodeling work has begun and once completed the north half of the building will be a construction business while the south half will once again be a restaurant and bar. I have assurances that the pizza soon to be served will be as equally tasty as the previous ones. Look forward to the grand opening.

The city website is continually updated with information that is both helpful and interesting. I invite you to visit the website as often as you can as it provides more frequent updates than this semi-annual city newsletter. There are four areas of the website I want to focus your attention. There is a list of commissions and council member assignments. This is helpful to know whom to contact for particular issues. You will also find information for our city cleanup on Saturday, May 4 from 8:00 until noon. More details regarding the spring cleanup are in this newsletter. On the left side of the home page is a link for Lakeland Shores email list. You are encouraged to sign up so you can receive updates. This is a great way to stay informed on spring cleanup updates. Lastly, we are in the process of adding past, present, and future city newsletters to the website. So again, please visit the website. The website address is www.lakelandshores.govoffice.com

Elsewhere in this newsletter, you will find an article regarding tree/brush/nuisance ordinance. With warm weather approaching, it is vitally important we all do our best to ensure easements to city property are clear of debris and obstacles. This is for the safety of all who live, work, and travel in our city. In addition, the spring cleanup is a great opportunity to rid your property of unwanted and/or unneeded belongings. I make a special plea to consider removing vehicles that no longer conform to the ordinances. If in doubt about a non-conforming vehicle, I again invite you to visit the city website for an exact definition. On the left side of the home page, click the "City Documents" link. Then click on "Lakeland Shores Ordinances and Table of Contents". The two specific ordinances are numbers 12 and 15. These ordinances promote a healthy city while at the same time keeping you in good graces with your neighbors.

All in all, our city is in great shape physically and fiscally. It continues to be all of our responsibility to ensure our city remains, as our logo says, "A special place to be!"

I want to thank everyone for his or her trust and confidence that has been bestowed upon your entire city council. We are working very hard on your behalf and I invite you to contact any of your council members or me if you have any questions, comments, or concerns.

It is my honor and privilege to serve you. All the best, Randy

Coyotes in the City

A lot of us grew up with watching Wile E. Coyote in hapless pursuit of Road Runner in the western deserts. Well guess what, he lives in our back yards now! Increasingly, residents of urban and suburban areas are having firsthand experience with coyotes in their own yards, parks and neighborhoods. Twice, I found tracks in my yard along with signs of a fresh dinner of one of our local rabbits.

This is not something exclusive to our small city. Coyotes now inhabit every state in the country except Hawaii, eating mostly rodents, rabbits, and fruit while making their homes between apartment buildings and in industrial parks and popular recreation areas in metropolitan areas from New York to Chicago to San Francisco. Some suggest that coyotes could prove to be just the first of a wave of larger carnivores — bears, cougars, and wolves — moving into residential areas. Living next to the river would make this even more of a possibility.



There are a number of things that coyotes really find to their liking in suburban communities, more than adjacent wild areas. Those are food set out continually for a pet or stray cat, fallen fruit left in the yard, a small dog running off-leash or a cat allowed to wander the neighborhood, a bird feeder stocked year-round — all of these things can attract coyotes.

It may only take one person feeding coyotes to develop a really aggressive one, If some people are just ignoring them and coyotes are finding a lot of resources, they can start to think, ‘Oh, this is a really good place to be. I own this neighborhood now.’”

Now I am not suggesting we panic and not let our children or pets outside, but just those we should be aware and follow simple common sense practices. The Minnesota and Wisconsin DNR have a lot of information available to help us to educate ourselves.

We are most likely seeing more coyotes recently because of the abundance of rabbits in the area. Once that food supply is gone, the coyotes will go also, unless we feed them or give them shelter.

Coyotes are mostly nocturnal but will sometimes come out during daylight hours, and their cool to watch. They are not pets, so do not approach them, they are wild animals. Get your camera and take many pictures, from a safe place.

The best way to get rid of them is to make loud noises and they should run away. Do not chase them, stay a safe distance.

The DNR list the following Do's and Don'ts for dealing with coyotes:

DO:

- secure all garbage containers, wildlife feeders, and other food sources to prevent coyote access
- confine small dogs and cats in kennels, or supervise them when outside
- vaccinate all pets for rabies, distemper, parvo, and other diseases, as recommended by a veterinarian
- consider installing coyote-proof fencing
- harass (by chasing, shouting, etc.) any coyotes that do not immediately run from people

DO NOT:

- feed coyotes.
- leave pet food outside.
- allow cats and small dogs outside, unattended.

Other things we can do are not leaving brush piles. We have a unique resource of free drop off bush, so we should take advantage of this. If we have, sheds that critters can find shelter under, we should block that access.

These simple suggestions should help prevent most coyote problems. However, if aggressive coyote behavior is observed, removal of the coyotes may be necessary. Coyotes are unprotected in Minnesota, and may be taken at any time without a license or permit, but shooting in the City is prohibited. My advice is to call animal control at 715-386-7789, and follow their directions.

Dave Zanmiller

Lakeland Shores Council Member



Yellow Ribbon Update

The Yellow Ribbon Alliance Lower St. Croix Valley (YRALSCV) has been in existence for nearly two years. We have provided many hours of volunteer time to help our area service members, veterans and their families. We have also hosted and participated in many community events and is gearing up for a very meaningful next few months. The mission of the Yellow Ribbon Alliance Lower St. Croix Valley is to continue Minnesota's proud history of supporting our communities and the military service members, veterans, and their families by creating a network of support that prides itself in trust, follow through, and commitment.

We are very proud to announce we are in the planning stages of a Welcome Home celebration of a local Viet Nam veteran. This veteran is a highly decorated hero who has not had his accomplishments publicly addressed and recognized. The event will take place on Tuesday May 7th. For more details, please visit the YRALSCV website at www.stcroixvalleyyellowribbon.org. Also on the website you find other interesting information about YRALSCV. We will also be at the Afton MayFair celebration in June and the 4th of July parade in Afton. Every Tuesday from 4 pm to 7 pm, the Sail Away Café in Afton sponsors an YRALSCV fundraiser. Sail Away Café donates a portion of its food and beverage sales to YRASLCV to help further its mission.

YRALSCV meetings occur on the first Tuesday of each month at 6:00 pm at the Sail Away Café in Afton. You are invited to attend to find out what we are all about. We are always looking to add new members to our group. We are a volunteer organization and are only looking for a minor commitment that is compatible with your schedule. Please contact Co-Chair Dave Anderson at 651-436-7157 or Co-Chair Randy Kopesky at 651-226-1434 if you have any questions, want to volunteer, are in need of our services, or know a service member, veteran, or family members who could use our help. There is nothing too big or too small for us to help with; spiritually, personally, or financially.

Keep up with all the news about YRALSCV, by reading our blog <http://YRALSCV.blogspot.com> and follow us on www.facebook.com/YRALSCV.



Lakeland/Lakeland Shores

Spring Clean-Up

For Residents of Lakeland & Lakeland Shores

When: Saturday, May 4, 2013 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

Where: 860 St. Croix Trail South Valley Baptist Church Parking Lot

Charge: \$15/Car* \$20.00/Pick-up or Trailer (8' or less)*

(*rates may be adjusted for overloaded vehicles, residential materials only, please)

Who: Open ONLY to residents of Lakeland and Lakeland Shores

I.D.s will be checked

What: Things you can bring include...miscellaneous debris, furniture, scrap metal, etc.

ABSOLUTELY NO GARBAGE, HAZARDOUS WASTE

(i.e. batteries, used motor oil, pesticides, paints, etc.)

OR YARD WASTE WILL BE ACCEPTED.

The following items will be accepted at additional cost:

- \$20 per item/air conditioner, dehumidifier, refrigerator, freezer
- \$15 per item/dishwasher, stove, microwave oven
- \$10 per item/mattress & box spring

◦ Consumer Electronics**

\$2/cell phone, MP3 player, keyboard, mouse, speakers

\$5/DVD/CD, VCR player, fax, printer, scanner

\$10/computer monitor, TV up to 19", stereo component

\$15/computer tower, electronic tablet, laptop

\$20/TV over 19", \$50/console TV

**Consumer Electronics are being collected for a fee today as a convenience for our residents. They may also be taken to the County Environmental Center in Woodbury for free disposal.

Go to www.co.washington.mn.us/envirocenter for more information.

Tires will be accepted at no cost, but they must be rimless.

All rims must be removed.

Something new has been added -

The Salvation Army will be present at the site for donations of items shown below. Tax receipts will be provided for items donated.

Clothing	Household Goods	Miscellaneous
Women's	Bedding/Blankets	Collectables
Men's	Curtains/Drapes	Knickknacks
Children's	Towels	Antiques
Infants	Rugs	CDs / DVDs
Furniture	Kitchen Items	Following Items Accepted
Couches	Pots/Pans	IN WORKING CONDITION ONLY
Dining Sets	Bakeware	Small Appliances
Bed Frames	Dishes	Lawn Equipment
Dressers	Drinkware	Flat Panel TVs
Night Stands	Utensils	Flat Panel Monitors
Lamps		DVD/VHS/BLU-RAY Players
		Radio/CD/MP3 Players

ABSOLUTELY NO BOATS OR VEHICLES WILL BE ACCEPTED

You may also call Salvation Army at 612.332.5855 to schedule pick-ups of items at any time throughout the year.

Aggregate Industries Brush Site will be open from 8:00-11:00 a.m.
I.D.'s will be checked.

**Teens for Christ will be working at the site again this year.
"THANK YOU" to them for their dedication, time and efforts to
provide this valuable service for
the communities of Lakeland and Lakeland Shores!**

**THANKS, as well, to Valley Baptist Church members for the use
of their parking lot for this important community activity!**

Yard Waste Dropoff & Compost

Site

Bayport: River City Services

Location: 201 2nd Ave. S.

Phone: 651-430-2809

Woodbury: Compost Concepts

Location: 4600 Cottage Grove Drive

Phone: 651-436-1213

Cottage Grove: Cottage Grove Compost Site

9600 Glendenning Rd.

Phone: 651-459-1556

Open To: All Washington County Residents

Call for days of collection and pricing.

Community News

Lakeland Shores Web Site

If you would like to receive web site updates when new information has been posted to the Lakeland Shores web site go to lakelandshores.govoffice.com, click on "Lakeland Shores Email List", located in the bottom left corner of your screen above the Search box. Please provide your email address and indicate the topics you are interested in receiving then press the submit button. You will then receive notification when a new item has been posted to or updated on the web site. Email addresses will not be sold or used in any way other than to send you updates.

If you have information you feel is appropriate for the web site please send your suggestions to lakelandshores@gmail.com

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The Lakeland Shores City Council Meetings
Available for viewing on Channel 16.

Schedule: see website for current week

Upon occasion, the transmission of these meetings may be delayed or not available due to technical difficulties. Check their website for more information www.vactv.org

Junk Cars

Ordinance 15 – REGULATING AND LIMITING THE STORAGE OF VEHICLES AND DECLARING CERTAIN VEHICLES TO BE A PUBLIC NUISANCE

Section 3. Parking, Storage, Repair or Maintenance on Junk Cars. No person shall park, keep, place, store, or permit the parking or storage of, or repair or replace parts, or to do maintenance work on any public place, or on any private lands or premises, unless such vehicle shall be within a building on such private premises.

Section 4. Abandonment. No person shall abandon any junk car, junk motor vehicle or any part thereof, or therefrom, upon any public place in the City of Lakeland Shores.

Section 5. Partially Dismantled, Wrecked, Junked, Discarded or Non-Operating Vehicles on Private Property. It shall be unlawful for any person in charge or in control of any property within the City of Lakeland Shores to allow any partially dismantled, non-operating, wrecked, junked or discarded vehicle, including any part thereof or therefrom, to remain on any private property unless within an enclosed building for any period longer than seventy-two (72) hours.

Resident Reminders

Tree Trimming

Property owners are to check trees hanging over city streets and must trim them to 15 feet high. Trees must be trimmed from the edge of the street 3 feet back and 12 feet high.

Property & Vehicle Storage

Canvas tents are not allowed for permanent storage.

All motorized vehicles must run, have current tabs, insurance and be stored in the driveway or garage (not on the yard).

City Directory

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Animal Control 715-386-7789

Building Inspector 651-436-1405

City Clerk 651-436-1789

Fire Hall (non-emergency) 651-436-7033

Lakeland Water Utility 651-436-8044

Police (non-emergency) 651-439-9381

Street Lights Out - Xcel Energy 1-800-960-6235

Waste Management, Recycling, 952-890-1100

Well Water Test Kits - Wash. Co. 430-6655

U. S. Post Office - Lakeland 651-436-5469

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Meeting Schedule

- City Council – 1st Thursday at Lakeland City Hall 6:30 p.m.
- LSCV Alliance – 4th Monday at Fire Hall 4:30 p.m.
- LSCV Cable Commission – 1st Wednesday at Lakeland City Hall 6:00 p.m.
- LSCV Fire District – 2nd Wednesday at Fire Hall
- Middle SCV WMO – 2nd Thursday at Bayport Public Library 7:00 p.m.
- Yellow Ribbon Alliance LSCV – 1st Tuesday at Sail Away Café in Afton 6:00 p.m.

Please call the City Clerk at 651-436-1789 for the address of any meeting held outside of the City.

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