

# City of Lakeland Shores

Spring/Summer 2014

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## Spring Clean-Up Day: Saturday May 3, 2014

Mark your calendars and start cleaning out your garages and basements because Spring Clean-Up Day is right around the corner!

Please join us!  
Saturday May 3, 2014  
8:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Valley Baptist Church  
860 St. Croix Trail South  
A very special thank you to *Teens for Christ* who will be working the event and to *Valley Baptist Church* for providing the space.

*Items Accepted:*  
Residential materials only:  
Household items  
Miscellaneous debris  
Furniture  
Scrap metal  
Tires (rimless only )

*Items Not Accepted:*  
Electronics\*  
Hazardous waste\*  
Yard waste  
Garbage  
\* These items should be taken to the  
*Washington County Environmental Center*  
( see page 6 )

Residents only  
Please bring your I.D.  
Fees:  
\$15 per carload  
\$20 per truck/trailer  
\* rates adjusted for larger loads  
Additional Fees:  
\$20/\$15 Appliances  
\$10 Mattresses  
\$10 Box springs



## Reduce, Reuse and Recycle

As you enjoy the beautiful spring and summer season Minnesotans wait all winter long for remember to include the following practices into your daily life:

- Take your name off junk mail lists
- Avoid disposables

- Use re-usable containers for your groceries, lunch or morning coffee
- Buy in bulk

Educate yourself:  
[www.RethinkRecycling.com](http://www.RethinkRecycling.com)  
[www.reduce.org](http://www.reduce.org)  
[www.lakelandshores.govoffice](http://www.lakelandshores.govoffice)

*"We do not inherit the earth from our ancestors; we borrow it from our children"*  
— Chief Seattle

Continue to enjoy the beautiful surroundings we call home by preserving it for years to come by living greener lives.



**Spring Clean-Up Day is May 3, 2014**

*“All in all, our city is in great shape physically and fiscally”*



**City Council decides against rental licensing ordinance**

## A Message from Mayor Kopesky

Hello to the neighbors, residents, and businesses of Lakeland Shores.

The snow seems to have given up on its presence, but we cannot shake the cool temperatures and raw wind quite yet. With Spring upon us we are hopeful for warmer days ahead.

Let me take this opportunity to recap the progress made in the last four months. The city’s fee schedule and council member appointments to commissions were ratified. All city ordinances have been reviewed, re-numbered and/or re-categorized, and adopted as city code. All this information can easily be found on our city website.

New regulations for street name and traffic control sign reflectivity and readability have been issued by the federal government. While most of our signs are in compliance, there are a few that need replacing. City staff will be conducting a sign inventory to identify non-compliant signs which will need replacing.

We continue to work closely with the City of Lakeland to streamline the

recycling of waste process. We are very happy to report that in the next few weeks both cities will begin a new program of single sort recycling. This new program will allow residents to place all appropriate recycling materials in the same container without having to sort some materials from the other. New recycling containers will be delivered to each household. If you recycle now, thank you. This will make recycling even easier. Please recycle. Every piece of material recycled is one less piece that gets buried in a landfill.

One sign of spring is the appearance of our city streets filled with sand and other things left over from the winter. The 2014 street sweeping contract has been approved and very soon the sweeper will be cleaning the streets.

The City Spring Clean-up is on Saturday, May 3, 2014. Please join us and bring all applicable items to be discarded. See the cover page or visit our website for a list of items that will be accepted.

The city council recently debated whether to implement a rental licensing

ordinance but decided against it due to the small number of rental properties that currently exist in the city. Owners of rental properties and renters are asked to please ensure these properties continue to be a welcome addition to our city.

Please visit the website often as it is updated in real time and offers pertinent information. Sign up to be a part of the Lakeland Shores email list to receive regular updates. City newsletters and previously recorded city council meetings are also available.

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 the trust and confidence bestowed upon the city council. We are working very hard on your behalf and are always available if you have any questions, comments, or concerns.

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

~ Randy

## 2014 Election

**Primary Election: August 12, 2014**  
**General Election: November 4, 2014**

2014 Local City Offices on the Ballot :  
*Mayor (2-Year Term)*  
*2-City Council Seats (4-Year Term)*

Interested in running for city office?  
*Affidavit of Candidacy*  
 forms will be available  
 July 29, 2014 through August 12, 2014.

*Absentee Ballots*  
 for the Primary Election will be  
 available at Washington County on  
 June 27, 2014 and for the General  
 Election on September 19, 2014.

Register to Vote! At the  
*Washington County Auditor 's Office*  
 or register at the polling place on  
 Election Day.

Visit [www.lakelandshores.govoffice](http://www.lakelandshores.govoffice)  
 for additional election information



## Lower St. Croix Valley Community Gardens

Following a successful first season the Rinta Community Gardens are ready for new applicants.

The site is located on the south side of Hudson Road between Indian Trail and Shepherd of the Valley Church. There are currently 19 plots available to residents of the five lower St. Croix Valley cities: Afton, Lakeland, Lakeland Shores, Lake St. Croix Beach and St. Mary 's Point.

Gardeners who had plots in 2013 will have first option. However, there are a number of plots that will be available this summer.

The City of Afton plans to erect a permanent deer fence surrounding the garden plots. Rain barrels located under the eaves of a small shed will help with watering, but tilling plots will be the gardener's responsibility. Plots are outlined by four foot wide paths.

Guidelines: Community gardeners must use organic methods of growing their plants, use mulch to control runoff, and eliminate weeds in the plots. There are no growing restrictions with the exception of no commercial production.

Gardeners with excess produce are encouraged to donate their produce to local food shelves.

Plots shall be well maintained and materials harmonious with the site.

To apply for a plot complete the application form on the City of Afton's website:  
[www.ci.afton.mn.us](http://www.ci.afton.mn.us).

Questions?  
 Contact  
 Barbara Ronningen  
 651.436.5881  
[bjronningen@yahoo.com](mailto:bjronningen@yahoo.com)

*Community ~ a social group of any size whose members reside in a specific locality, share government, and often have a common cultural and historical heritage*





2014 Spring Road Restrictions In Effect

## Spring Road Restrictions

Spring road restrictions went into effect on March 14, 2014. Restrictions will be in effect for eight weeks, unless extraordinary conditions require extending them.

During spring weight restrictions Washington County does not issue permits for overweight transport except in the cases of a serious public health emergency.

Washington County road users may contact 651.430.8355 for a recording with the latest spring weight restriction information.

## The Yellow Ribbon Alliance Lower St. Croix Valley

The Yellow Ribbon Alliance Lower St. Croix Valley ( YRALSCV ) has been in existence for nearly two years. The Alliance has provided many hours of volunteer time to help area service members, veterans and their families. They have hosted and participated in many community events.

The Alliance is presently 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 the 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.

The Alliance is currently gearing up for additional community events and continue its service to assist service members, veterans, and their families. YRALSCV meetings occur on the first Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at the Sail Away Café in Afton. Everyone is invited to attend and find out what the Yellow Ribbon Alliance Lower St. Croix Valley is all about. They are always looking to add new members to the group. YRALSCV is a volunteer organization. The time commitment is minimal and can easily accommodate your schedule. For additional information and volunteer opportunities please contact: Co-Chair Dave Anderson 651.436.7157 Co-Chair Randy Kopesky 651.226.1434.

If you or someone you know are in need of the Yellow Ribbon Alliance St. Croix Valley services, or know a service member, veteran, or family members who could use help—please let us know.

***“There is nothing too big or too small for us to help with; spiritually, personally, or financially”***



Lower St. Croix Valley Fire Department Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, May 4, 2014 8am to Noon

130 St. Croix Trail North

Please join us in support of your local fire department

## Tree and Brush Trimming Reminder

Now that spring is in full swing (well almost) it is time to look at the trees and bushes along city streets.

In 2013 the city council adopted a section of the city code allowing for a tree and brush clear zone along city streets. The code language arose out of concerns raised about resident's and the city's liability in the event the overgrowth were to obstruct traffic signs or interfere with emergency vehicles or snow plows.

The clear zone is described as 15 feet high over the street pavement and 12 feet high at a distance of three feet back from the street pavement edge.



Please be proactive and trim the identified areas as early in the spring as is feasible.

Additionally, please lend a helping hand to neighbors or others who may not have the resources or ability to do the job themselves. If you would like to help—please contact Tim Schroeder at 651.210.1278 who will connect you with a neighbor. After all - *it takes a village*. Thank you to everyone who trimmed last fall or helped a neighbor in need. Your efforts are greatly appreciated!

To view Tree/Brush Setback drawing visit [www.lakelandshores.govoffice](http://www.lakelandshores.govoffice)

## Meeting Schedule

**City Council**  
1st Thursday of the Month  
6:30 p.m.  
Lakeland City Hall

**LSCV Alliance**  
4th Monday of the Month  
4:30 p.m.  
Fire Hall

**LSCV Cable Commission**  
1st Wednesday of the Month  
6:00 p.m.  
Lakeland City Hall

**LSCV Fire District**  
2nd Wednesday of the Month  
Fire Hall

**Middle SCV WMO**  
2nd Thursday of the Month  
7:00 p.m.  
Bayport Public Library

**Yellow Ribbon Alliance LSCV**  
1st Tuesday of the Month  
6:00 p.m.  
Sail Away Café



## Lakeland Shores Website

Please visit [www.lakelandshores.govoffice](http://www.lakelandshores.govoffice) to sign up to receive website updates when new community information has been posted to our website. Please send your website suggestions to [lakelandshores@gmail.com](mailto:lakelandshores@gmail.com)

## Single Stream Recycling Services

The new single stream recycling program in Lakeland Shores will become effective on May 7, 2014.

What does that mean for residents? No more sorting bottles, cans and paper! This simplified recycling method allows all recyclable materials to be deposited into one receptacle.

The new service is being

provided by Maroney's Sanitation and will include a new 65-gallon receptacle. The new receptacles will be delivered to each residence beginning in April. Please refer to the information provided with the receptacle for dates of service and program details. Residents who wish to discard old receptacles (which cannot be used for single-stream recycling program) may make arrangements with

their trash hauler or dispose of at Spring Clean-Up day on May 3, 2014 for a fee of \$3.

Single-stream recycling pick-up will begin Wednesday, May 7, 2014 and continue on an every other week basis.



**Location and Hours**



4039 Cottage Grove Dr. · Woodbury, MN 55129

**Tuesdays** Noon – 7 pm  
**Thursdays** 9 am – 2 pm  
**Saturdays** 9 am – 2 pm

*Closed on Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Year's Day & other major holidays.*

 Open to residents of Washington, Anoka, Carver, Chisago, Dakota, Hennepin, and Ramsey counties. Proof of county residency, such as a driver's license, is required.



**Environmental Center**

**Drop it off.**



**Hazardous Material**



**Recyclables**



**Electronics**

**FREE Product Room**



The Environmental Center has a free product room. Residents can look for items such as latex and oil paints, household cleaners, automotive supplies, and much more.

Products are available for Minnesota metro area residents only.

 Sign up to receive email updates on environmental services and events by visiting [www.co.washington.mn.us](http://www.co.washington.mn.us). Click on "Notify Me" and subscribe to the Environmental eUpdate.

More Info: [www.co.washington.mn.us](http://www.co.washington.mn.us) (Click on Environmental Center) | 651-430-6655 |  Like us!

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**2014/2016 Dog Licenses Now Available**

The new 2014 through 2016 dog tags are in and ready for your precious pooches.

Licensing protects both your pets and the community at large.

All dogs must be licensed in the City of Lakeland Shores pursuant to City Code. Current licenses will expire June 30, 2014.

Owners of new dogs have 45 days to obtain a license from the city.

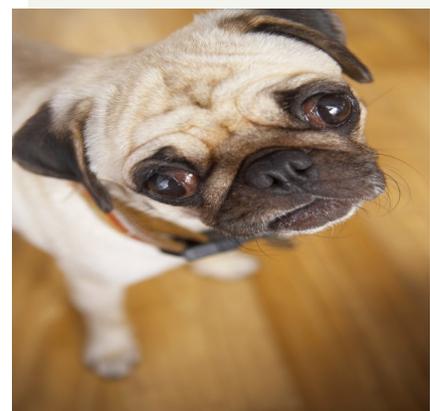
Please visit our website at [www.lakelandshores.govoffice](http://www.lakelandshores.govoffice) to obtain a licensing application.

You may also obtain a license application by calling 651.436.1789 or by emailing [lakelandshores.govoffice](mailto:lakelandshores.govoffice).

Proof of current rabies vaccination is required to obtain a dog license.

Fees: \$10 per license/dog

License Period: July 2014--June 2016.





## CODE RED®

Code RED is a web based system which allows the county to be able to reach a large number of citizens in a very short period of time, by geographically based delivery of phone and text messaging. The system uses the latest in mass notification technology

making the system very easy to use. Examples of notification events are hazardous material spills, pandemic outbreaks or missing persons. The system allows county residents the ability to create their own account so they can add or remove

numbers they want the system to call. Washington County is currently working with cities and townships to ensure the partnership will truly benefit all county residents.

To sign up for Code RED notifications go to

[www.co.washington.mn.us](http://www.co.washington.mn.us)

## Making A Difference

Once upon a time, there was a wise man who used to go to the ocean to do his writing. He had a habit of walking on the beach before he began his work.

One day, as he was walking along the shore, he looked down the beach and saw a human figure moving like a dancer. He smiled to himself at the thought of someone who would dance to the day, and so, he walked faster to catch up.

As he got closer, he noticed that the figure was that of a young man, and that what he was doing was not dancing at all. The young man was reaching down to the shore, picking up small objects, and throwing them into the ocean.

He came closer still and called out "Good morning! May I ask what it is that you are doing?"

The young man paused, looked up, and replied "Throwing starfish into the ocean."

"I must ask, then, why are you throwing starfish into the ocean?" asked the somewhat startled wise man.

To this, the young man replied, "The sun is up and the tide is going out. If I don't throw them in, they'll die."

Upon hearing this, the wise man commented, "But, young man, do you not realize that there are miles and miles of beach and there are starfish all along every mile? You can't possibly make a difference!"

At this, the young man bent down, picked up yet another starfish, and threw it into the ocean. As it met the water, he said, "It made a difference for that one."

~ Loren Easley



*"Make a Difference Today  
and  
Do it Again Tomorrow"*



### Building Projects

The Building Inspection office for Lakeland Shores is located at:  
Lakeland Water Plant #2  
1190 St. Croix Trail South  
PO Box 321  
Lakeland, MN 55043  
Phone: 651.436.1405

Obtain a permit  
before you start!

Monday and Thursdays  
8:00 am. to 10:00 a.m.

## CITY OF LAKELAND SHORES

PO Box 246  
Lakeland Shores, MN 55043

Phone: 651.436.1789  
E-mail:  
lakelandshores@gmail.com

**We are on the Web**  
[www.lakelandshores.govoffice](http://www.lakelandshores.govoffice)

## City Council Contact Information

### **Mayor Randy Kopesky**

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### **Council Member Elizabeth Kemling**

Phone: 651.468.5189 Email: jewelrygal18@comcast.net

### **Council Member Carrie Schroeder**

Phone: 651.436.5254 Email: escape4me@yahoo.com

### **Council Member David Zanmiller**

Phone: 651.436.1362 Email: dave@zanmiller.com

### **Council Member Zoe Zhi**

Phone: 952.270.8770 Email: zoezhi2000@yahoo.com

## Staff Contact Information

### **City Clerk Sandie Thone**

Phone: 651.436.1789 Email: lakelandshores@gmail.com

### **Zoning Administrator/Streets Commissioner Tim Schroeder**

Phone: 651.210.1278 Email: lakelandshores@gmail.com

### **Treasurer Tom Niedzwiecki**

Phone: 651.436.1789 Email: lakelandshores@gmail.com

### **City of Lakeland Shores**

**P.O. Box 246**

**Lakeland, MN 55043**

#### **In an Emergency call 911**

Police (non-emergency) 651.439.9381

Fire (non-emergency) 651.436.7033

Animal Control 715.386.7789

Building Inspector 651.436.1405

Lakeland Water 651.436.8044



*a special place to be!*