

# Lakeland Newsletter

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**Bob Livingston, Mayor**

## April Calendar

*Note: All city meetings start at 6:00 p.m.  
and are held at city hall, unless otherwise noted.*

### **Tuesday, April 2**

City Council Workshop - 5:00 p.m.  
Special City Council Meeting - 6:00 p.m.

### **Thursday, April 4**

*Recycling Day*

### **Saturday, August 6**

Aggregate Industries Brush Disposal Site -  
8:00 a.m.-12:00 noon

### **Monday, April 8**

Planning Commission Meeting - 6:00 p.m.

### **Thursday, April 9**

Local Board of Appeal & Equalization - 5:00 p.m.  
to 6:00 p.m. Review property evaluation on those  
properties receiving notice from the Washington  
County Assessor's Office.

### **Thursday, April 11**

*Recycling Day*

### **Tuesday, April 16**

Local Board of Appeal Continuation - 5:00 p.m.  
City Council Meeting - 6:00 p.m.

### **Thursday, April 18**

*Recycling Day*

### **Thursday, April 25**

*Recycling Day*

## Spring Clean-Up is scheduled for Saturday, May 4, 2013

Watch for details in May's Newsletter  
and at [lakelandmn.com](http://lakelandmn.com).

Aggregate Industries Brush Disposal Site  
will be open as well.

## Perspective

*Bob Livingston, Mayor*

This column has a new title: "Perspective." I found "Mayor's Corner" to be a bit too constraining for present and future communication to and from residents. Starting several years ago, Brian Zeller began asking Council members to occasionally write the column. That action was a step forward. Different writers brought differing viewpoints and new ideas.

This year of 2013 hopefully will see the City become better able to provide you with timely messages, the ability to respond or to question, to fill out forms and pay some fees. Further down the road, we want to go to live streaming of meetings both via the government channel 16 and directly to home computers. Council members will still be asked to contribute as will, if they desire, staff members.

What is needed is an internet presence that is simple, accurate, timely and easy for staff to keep up to date. Creating such a site has been prohibitively expensive but, as with most things electronic, has steadily dropped in price and increased in features and reliability,

Will the new kill the old, i.e. will the printed Newsletter be discontinued? Certainly not in the foreseeable future but we may be able to find less expensive ways to publish and distribute it. We will keep in touch as plans are refined.

## Highlights of City Council (CC) Meeting

(Held March 20, 2013 - Complete minutes on file at city hall)

Approval was given to bills to be paid as presented. The remainder of agenda items were postponed to the next City Council meeting, scheduled for April 2, 2013.

## Aggregate Industries Brush Site

Thanks to Aggregate Industries who have generously agreed to provide a disposal site for brush from Lakeland residents again this year. Aggregate Industries does not accept any construction materials. They will accept only brush such as limbs, trees, and shrub trimmings. No leaves or grass. Participants will be required to provide identification.

Aggregate Industries will be open from 8:00 to 12:00 a.m. on the following Saturdays:

April 6    May 4    June 1    July 6    August 3  
September 7    October 5    November 2

## Public Safety

### Is Your Address Visible?

City Ordinance requires a display of house and/or building numbers at each site. The numbers should be not less than three inches in height in a contrasting color to the structure and placed to be easily and clearly seen from the street when approached from either direction.

### All Animals Must Be Leashed

The Animal Control Officer can pick up dogs running at large. If the animal is licensed, every effort will be made to return the animal to its owner. If the animal is unlicensed, it will be taken to the St. Croix Animal Shelter and held until the owner has paid all City and shelter fees.

The City's Animal Control Officer also handles all barking dogs or other nuisance complaints. For additional information, call the City Hall at (651) 436-4430.

### ALL DOGS AND CATS OVER 6 MONTHS OF AGE MUST BE LICENSED.

2012-2013 Licenses can be purchased at City Hall during normal business hours or by mail.

The licensing fee is \$7.50 for the remainder of the two-year licensing period. Complete the application and mail it to City Hall along with a check and current rabies verification.

Please be aware that this license is for Lakeland residents only. Lakeland Shores residents must contact their City for licensing.

#### 2012-2013 ANIMAL LICENSE APPLICATION

Fee: \$7.50

(Proof of current rabies vaccination must accompany application.)

Animal's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Breed \_\_\_\_\_

Weight \_\_\_\_\_ Color \_\_\_\_\_

Owner's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

Mail to: Lakeland City Hall, 690 Quinnell Ave. No.

## Lakeland Winter Curfew Hours for Minors

During the months of October through May, curfew is between 9:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. During the curfew period, it is unlawful for any minor under the age of 16 years to idle, loiter, or be upon the public streets, boulevards, sidewalks, alleys, parks, beach, or any other public place in the City of Lakeland.

## Public Works

### Building Permits

The City contracts with the City of Bayport for building services. Inspections are made daily and will require 24-hour notice. To schedule an inspection, call (651) 436-1405 and leave a message.

#### Building Department Hours

Monday & Thursday 8:00 to 10:00 a.m.

Be sure to contact the Building Inspector at (651) 436-1405 PRIOR TO STARTING ANY BUILDING PROJECT to determine whether a permit will be required.

## Garbage Service

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The City of Lakeland currently has three licensed garbage haulers:

**Maroney Service Inc. - (651) 439-7279**

**Highland Sanitation - (651) 458-0043**

**Waste Management - (651) 437-9201**

Residents may choose a company licensed to haul rubbish in the City.

## Parking Permits

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The area of the City between I-94 and Upper 5th Street North and CSAH 18 and the St. Croix River is a designated parking area where permits are required for residential street parking. Annual permits cost \$2 each, and five permits are allowed for each residence. Event permits are available for single-day parking and cost \$10. Permits may be obtained at City Hall.

## Power Outages

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Call NSP Lights Out at (800) 895-1999.

Remember municipal water customers...you are able to use your water system during power outages. Please use the water conservatively for normal water usage purposes.

## Washington County Environmental Center

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Collection hours are -

Tuesdays - 12:00 noon to 7:00 p.m.

Thursdays - 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Saturdays - 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Closed on major holidays. Proof of residency, such as a driver's license, is required.

Visit the Free Product Room — Don't need it? Someone might. Items dropped off at the Environmental Center might be stocked in the Free Product Room for other residents to pick up free of charge.

Products are screened for quality. Some popular items are paint and stain, lawn and garden products and automotive fluids.

For more information —

[http://www.co.washington.mn.us/info\\_for\\_residents/environment/environmental\\_center/](http://www.co.washington.mn.us/info_for_residents/environment/environmental_center/)

## CodeRED Notification Systems

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*Keeping citizens informed.*

Lakeland has joined the other cities in Washington County to contract with Emergency Communications Network to provide the CodeRED high-speed, time-sensitive notification system.

### Frequently Asked Questions:

- How will I benefit from this service?

This high-speed telephone system will allow Washington County to contact participants to provide information about a critical situation, what action needs to be taken, and notification that the situation has been resolved.

- How Do I Register?

Go to [www.wcsheriff.info](http://www.wcsheriff.info) click on the CodeRED icon in the middle of the page and follow the instructions.

For those who are hearing impaired the sign up form offers a TDD ONLY option for tone delivery of emergency messages. Messages delivered to phone numbers marked TDD will only be delivered in a TDD/TTY format.

(Note: Those who sign up for "general notifications" will also get any general messages sent by their municipal or public safety agencies.)

It is recommended that you go to [www.wcsheriff.info](http://www.wcsheriff.info) and click on the CodeRED logo to enroll in the notification system.

If you do not have internet access, you may visit Washington County's public libraries to use a computer to register, ask a friend or relative to do it for you or call the Communications Center at 651 439-9381 for help to enroll. You may choose to receive notification on landlines, cell phones and emails.

## Water

### Water Payments

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Water bill payments may be dropped off in the box on the south side of the Lakeland City Hall building, or in the drop box at the Water Utility Building located at 12th Street South and CSAH 18 (St. Croix Trail).

Payments received after 12:00 noon on the 20th of the month will be credited on the next month's bill. No cash please.

## ***Excavators & Plumbers***

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The following contractors have filed the necessary documents to conduct business in the city:

Capra's Utilities: (651) 762-2500

Featherstone Excavating: (651) 436-1987 or (715) 381-1704

Thoennes Plumbing: (651) 436-8611

These names and numbers are provided as a service to the Community. The City is not recommending or endorsing these contractors.

## ***Community Information***

### ***Annual Spring Craft/Bake Sale***

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Annual Spring Craft, Bake & Boutique Sale, Saturday, April 13, 2013 at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 1910 South Greeley, Stillwater, MN from 9 am to 3 pm. Quality Crafters! Free admission! Free coffee! Delicious lunch available! Sponsored by the Columbian Women of Solanus Casey Council #1632. Questions, call Donna @ 651-436-8565.

Open to the Public ... Everyone welcome!

### ***Box Tops for Education Don't Toss Them Out!***

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Local schools can benefit from Box Tops, specially marked milk caps and Labels for Education. Contact Linda Barclay at (651) 998-0813 for more information.

### ***Boy Scout Troop 226***

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Congratulations to Boy Scout Troop 226 from Afton/Lakeland! 7 local boys advanced to the rank of Eagle in 2012. Each boy was required to do a project to benefit our local community. These projects consisted of planting trees, building rain gardens, painting the warming house at Afton Lakeland School, building some steps at the Memorial Lutheran church, and building some benches for some local parks. Great job guys!

Also, the Boy Scout's Spring fundraiser is under way. They are selling bedding plants and perennials from Gertens until April 8th. They will be delivering them to your doorstep when they arrive on May 17th. The proceeds enable these scouts to go to camps. So if you see boy scouts coming around, that is what they are selling. If you are interested in ordering please call 651-998-0864. Hope you will support the local Boy Scouts!

## ***Community Thread***

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Community Thread is one of eight regional Volunteer Centers connecting people through service. We make volunteering easy! Go to [www.communitythreadmn.org](http://www.communitythreadmn.org) or call (651) 439-3434 for more information.

### ***Community Garden Plots The Lower St. Croix Valley***

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Community Foundation funded a grant request for Afton to develop a community garden for residents of the Lower St. Croix Valley. The Rinta Community Gardens are located south of Hudson Road between Indian Trail and Century College Truck Training Center. Each garden plot will be about 40' x 40' with walking paths between plots.

Applications are being accepted now and will be reviewed soon, so don't delay. Contact Barbara Ronningen at 651 436-5881 or Afton City Hall at 651-436-5090.

### ***Energy Assistance Program***

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Nearly all Minnesota households spend a greater share of their income on energy costs. For households with limited income, this can be especially stressful. Community Action's Energy Assistance Program helps thousands of families in Ramsey and Washington counties pay energy bills and improve the efficiency of their homes.

More information, eligibility requirements and applications for residents of Washington and Ramsey counties are available at [caprw.org](http://caprw.org), or by calling (651) 645-6470.

### ***Fare for All Express***

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[www.fareforall.org](http://www.fareforall.org)  
(763) 450-3880  
1 (800) 582-4291

No advance payment or pre-registration is needed to purchase packages. There are no income restrictions for participating in this program. Fare for All Express location in Lakeland is at Afton-Lakeland Elementary School, 475 St. Croix Trail South.

Distribution will next take place on from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. on the following Tuesdays:

April 9      May 14      June 11      July 16

## ***The Lower St. Croix Valley Community Foundation***

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**www.LSCVCF.com**

Visit our website to learn about Upcoming Foundation Activities, Community Committee Projects, Contribution Opportunities, and how you can get involved in enhancing your Valley.

## ***Rummage Sale***

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Clothing and small household items  
Saturday, May 4, 9 a.m. to 2p.m.  
St. Croix Valley United Methodist Church  
St. Croix Trail and 7th Street, Lakeland  
All proceeds will benefit the  
United Methodist Women's mission fund.

## ***Valley Branch Library***

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Valley Branch Library Hours are:

Monday, Friday & Saturday	10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Tuesday - Thursday	2 p.m. to 6 p.m.
Sunday	Closed

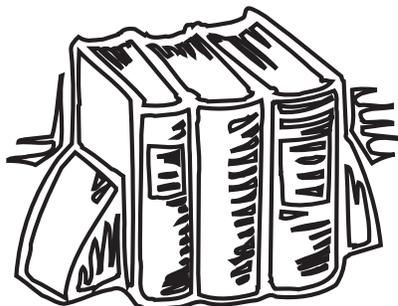
Storytime                      Mondays at 10:30 a.m.

For children preschool through kindergarten age; siblings welcome. Hear stories and participate in activities that entertain and help to develop early literacy skills. No registration.

### **Dog Gone Reading at Valley Library**

Children K-7 may practice reading by reading aloud to Chase and his owner. Chase is a Delta Pet Partner certified therapy dog, and a great listener! Be thinking about what books you want to read to Chase.

This program is scheduled at Valley Branch Library for the fourth Tuesday each month. Reading sessions are 15 minutes in length, and you can register to read at the Service Desk or call 651-436-5882.



## ***Valley Library Announces New Adult Book Club***

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Valley Branch Library, 380 St. Croix Trail S, Lakeland, announces the inauguration of the Valley Book Club. Their first meeting is planned for 5 p.m. Thursday, March 28. The group will meet to talk about "Three Junes" by Julia Glass. Visit Valley Library to pick up a copy of the book and a discussion guide. Valley Book Club will continue to meet every fourth Thursday of the month throughout the year. The club is open to all.

Just read the book, come and discuss. Please contact Valley Library with any questions, 651-436-5882.

### **EBook Collection**

Washington County Library's eBook collection is now compatible with the Amazon(r) Kindle. Patrons can now download popular and classic eBooks to a Kindle device or any mobile device running the free Kindle app, such as iPhone(r), iPad(r), Android(tm), and more. To get started, visit <http://washington.lib.overdrive.com/>.

Washington County Library also offers eBooks for use on a PC or Mac computer and popular mobile devices such as a Smartphone, MP3 player, and eBook reader like the Barnes & Noble(r) Nook(tm) and Sony(r) Reader.

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For more information, go to the Library's website at [www.co.washington.mn.us/library](http://www.co.washington.mn.us/library).

### **One County, One Book Reading Program**

Go to [www.co.washington.mn.us/library](http://www.co.washington.mn.us/library) for information.

## ***XYZ Club (Extra Years of Zest)***

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XYZ Club is for seniors 55 years and older and meets every Tuesday morning at Memorial Lutheran Church in Afton. Attendees play cards from 9:00 a.m. to noon, with a coffee break at 10:00 and more cards until noon. Programs will be announced as they develop.

For information, registration or cancellation, call Marion Glasbrenner at 651 436-7742 by 9:00 a.m. on Mondays.

## ***Building Permits*** ***February/March 2013***

<u>Project Address</u>	<u>Work</u>
271 Quehl Avenue Court North	Replace Water Heater
350 Quality Ave North	Replace Furnace
16111 5th Street North	Replace Furnace
252 Quant Avenue North	Addition with Full Basement
360 St. Croix Trail North	Install Sprinkler System
100 Quehl Avenue South	Re-side House and Garage

**- REMEMBER -**  
***Contact the Building Inspector before you start a project!***

The Building Inspector is located at the Lakeland Water Department Plant No. 2, located at 1190 St. Croix Trail So.

Mailing Address: 690 Quinnell Ave. No., Lakeland, MN 55043

Hours: Monday & Thursday – 8:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

Phone: 651-436-1405

## ***Treasurer's Report*** ***February 2013***

<b><i>Fund</i></b>	<b><i>Fund Description</i></b>	<b><i>Balance</i></b>	<b><i>Receipts</i></b>	<b><i>Disbursements</i></b>	<b><i>Transfers</i></b>	<b><i>Balance</i></b>
		1/31/13	Feb. 2013	Feb. 2013	Feb. 2013	2/28/13
100	General Fund	\$459,711.87	\$750.16	\$19,690.82	\$0.00	\$434,771.21
199	Applicant Escrow Fund	(\$7,005.71)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$7,005.71)
200	Special Parks Fund	\$93,730.54	\$1.68	\$273.50	\$0.00	\$93,458.72
205	Diseased Tree Fund	\$3,452.14	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,452.14
401	Public Works Fund	\$410,924.65	\$2,145.30	\$21,178.70	\$0.00	\$391,891.25
501	Fire Station Debt Serv Fund	\$1,092.48	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,092.48
502	Fire Relief Assn. Fund	\$1,660.18	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,660.18
601	Water Utility Fund	\$440,846.95	\$14,038.27	\$11,889.28	\$429.17	\$443,425.11
605	Water Construction Fund	\$271,154.32	\$5.58	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$271,160.20
606	Water Debt Service Fund	(\$18,919.77)	\$6,168.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$12,751.77)
701	Building Inspection Fund	\$3,502.95	\$1,192.03	\$555.75	(\$429.17)	\$79,050.43
705	Lakeland Village Const Fund	\$3,502.95	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,502.95	(\$35,663.98)
706	Lakeland Village Debt Serv Fund	(\$39,166.93)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,502.950	(\$15,015.35)
801	LT Improvement Fund	\$374,473.33	\$9.52	\$2,219.40	\$0.00	\$372,263.45
<b><i>Total Fund Balances</i></b>		<b><i>\$2,068,102.32</i></b>	<b><i>\$4,310.84</i></b>	<b><i>\$55,809.45</i></b>	<b><i>\$0.00</i></b>	<b><i>\$2,036,603.71</i></b>

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Chair: **Chris White** - (2/1/15) (651) 436-7697 Personnel Committee  
Members: **Pete DeCorsey** - (2/1/13) (651) 436-4430  
**Bill Francel** - (2/1/15) (651) 436-4430  
**Diane Wirth** - (2/1/14) (651) 436-6227  
**Vacancy** - (2/1/14)

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Call for an appointment at other times.  
E-Mail: [cityoflakeland@comcast.net](mailto:cityoflakeland@comcast.net)  
690 Quinnell Avenue North

Water Utility Department: **(651) 436-8044**  
(Hours: 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Monday - Friday)  
E-Mail: [lakelandwater@comcast.net](mailto:lakelandwater@comcast.net)

Building Inspector: **(651) 436-1405**  
Hours: Monday & Thursday 8-10 a.m.  
Located in Lakeland Water Dept. Plant No.2,  
1190 St. Croix Trail So.

Animal Control: **(715) 386-7789**

Fire Department (non-emergency): **(651) 436-7033**

Washington County Sheriff (non-emergency): **(651) 439-9381**

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