

Village Voice

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Village Council meets 4th Monday at 7:00 p.m.
Village Work Session meets 4th Monday, 6:00 p.m.
Planning Commission meets 3rd Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.
Residents are urged and welcomed to attend meetings.
April 2020

WELCOME TO ALL OUR NEW RESIDENTS AND HELLO TO THE OLD ONES. FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO ARE NEW TO THE COMMUNITY, WE TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO INFORM YOU OF THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF OUR WONDERFUL COMMUNITY. FOR THE LONG-TIME RESIDENTS, A REMINDER OF THE SAME.

In this uncertain time during the Covid-19 Pandemic all of the dates and times of the events we post are subject to Government Guidelines. We will get updates of dates and times via our web site or notices at local business or you may also call our office at 231-894-9008. We ask that everyone in our Community abide by the social distancing guidelines and stay safe.

Notice: *As you may have noticed we have put sandbags along the boardwalk to try and prevent the rising water from the lake coming onto Parkway. If there are roadblocks during this time please abide by these. If the water does go over the Boardwalk we will block it off also.*

Residents should keep this newsletter handy for reference. *The Village website will update info at: villageoflakewoodclub.org.*

Roads *Our Maintenance Department works hard to maintain our roads in winter and the through the year. We ask that our residents do their part in keeping them in good repair. We ask that anyone speeding or tearing up the roads be reported by calling 911 or the Village Hall and giving the license number of the vehicle. The fine for this offense is \$500.00 plus legal costs. We ask that anyone clearing their yards of snow, leaves or yard debris to not push it in to our roadways. Our Ordinance Enforcer will be enforcing this and you will be responsible for cleaning this up. A reminder that in the Village there is **no parking allowed** on the sides of our roads.*

We give thanks for each and every resident of our Village. We need to work together to keep improving our area and make it one of the best in the County. A big THANK YOU to everyone who keeps their property clean and in good repair.

Along with the spring flowers cometh the Ordinance Enforcer. *Our Ordinance Enforcer is James Rogers and a reminder he is just doing his job when he addresses you about an offense; he does not make the Ordinances he only enforces them, the ordinances are adopted by our Village Council. James will be making rounds looking for junk and dismantled/junk cars. It's time to do our spring cleaning and get rid of unwanted/unused junk, cars, stumps, fix broken fences, etc. Avoid costly tickets!*

RMS Garbage

Garbage pick-up is assessed to your Village taxes; each household gets one garbage cart; call the Village hall if you need a cart at 231-894-9008 (resident will be charged for extra cart). RMS has 65-gallon carts available if you feel that the 90 gallon cart is too big. RMS also recycles motor oil. Please place in clean milk jugs and set alongside your trash can on

your regular pickup day. RMS Disposal: Phone 231-788-5096. Please do not overload garbage cans so they spill over top. **Garbage Service is for your household only.**

DALTON TOWNSHIP TRANSFER STATION Open Wednesday and Saturday 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. (closed Wed., November thru March). You can obtain from the Township Hall at 1616 E. Riley Thompson Rd. one \$5.00 certificate (per residence) to use at the dump toward your dump fee and an annual recycling permit for \$30.00 (this can be purchased at the Dump Station or the Township Hall).

Road Clean up-

Adopt-A-Road or a Block to keep clean of litter. We will donate bags that you can pick up at The Village Hall.

Now especially since we are at home and have some time on our hands we ask that everyone take time to pick up litter in the vicinity of their home.

This is a good way to get your family involved in community and take part in making our community look nice. Let us know who you are so that we can acknowledge this.

Free scrap tire collection: Must be a resident of Muskegon County, (no Commercial Businesses) May 2, 2020 at Laketon Township Mullally Park 1850 Horton Rd. Musk. Mich., May 9, 2020 at Fruitport Township Hall Fire Station 5865 Airline Rd. Musk. Mich., May 16, 2020 at Cedar Creek Township Hall at 6556 Sweeter Rd., Twin Lake, Mich., June 6, 2020 at Whitehall High School at 3100 White Lake Drive, Whitehall Mich. and October 10, 2020 on Swanson Rd., just north of the intersection of Apple Ave. and Swanson Rd., Ravenna, Mich. Passenger tires are taken free of charge- up to 34 inches in diameter, tires will be taken with or without rims. **(times of these events are 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon.)**

For more information contact Muskegon County Waste management at 231-724-6002.

Muskegon County Recycling Event Saturday October 17, 2020 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at 1350 E. Keating Avenue, Muskegon, Michigan. They will accept Scrap Tires, Hazardous Waste, Electronics, and Sensitive Document Shredding. Visit WWW.MUSKEGONCOUNTY.NET/777 OR CALL 231-724-6001.

DATES TO REMEMBER(all of these dates are contingent upon orders from our Governor.) Since school has been canceled the remainder of this school year School breakfast and lunch are being distributed every Tues. from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. in the parking lot at the Village Hall. This program will run through June 5, 2020. If this program is extended we will post this on our Website.

Village Curbside Pickup –This year because of the Covid-19 pandemic RMS says they can't do the curbside pick-up for the safety of their drivers. We will try and schedule this service in the fall and it will be posted on our website. Put your stuff out where you normally set your garbage can. **Acceptable Items:** Mattress & Box Springs, couch, love seat, T.V. Make arrangements at Village office prior to this date for appliance pick up. **Washers/Dryers/Stoves \$15.00 each.** **Unacceptable Items:** Refrigerators, freezer, stumps, cement, batteries, tires, large items over 4' long (like pipes, lumber, etc.), yard waste (grass, leaves, brush), autos (cars, trucks, motorcycles) tear downs – demolition (garages, house)

Community Yard Sale- If and when this can take place we will post it on our website

Free Lunch's for Kids in the Park July 6, 2020- August 6, 2020 11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

Elections May 5, 2020 Vote on Museum millage, for this election you will receive a letter in the mail to apply for an absentee ballot, fill this out and send it in and they will forward you a ballot for you to fill out and mail back). **August 4, 2020** local primary, **November 3, 2020** General Election- This year we have five seats to fill in our Village, they are as follows: President, Treasurer, and three Council seats all of which are four year terms **Please don't forget to vote, every election outcome affects you.**

July 4th will be held on Saturday June 27, 2020

Any other activities that will take place will be posted on the Village of Lakewood Club web site.

Fireworks Dusk or approximately 10:00 p.m.

Attention: when shooting personal fireworks we ask you to use caution and abide by our state's laws concerning this.

No Sales of anything during these events unless you have prior approval from the Village Office

There is no alcohol allowed anywhere in the park. The Nite Spot will welcome you.

REMINDER: Our playground equipment, pavilion, and picnic tables are cordoned off during this pandemic Activities in the Park Play Ground, Park Walk Path, & Tennis Courts are monitored by camera.

Pavilion Reservations Our Pavilion at the park can be reserved for our residents. Call the Village Office to ask about a reservation.

Park Rangers Wanted: Need to be 18 years of age to apply. Apply at the Village Hall.

PARK RESTROOMS: will be closed during the Covid-19 Pandemic They will be open when the Rangers are on duty. Parents please talk to your children and remind them that the restrooms are for the convenience of all residents and they should not be putting things in the toilets so they plug up and run over. Also, human waste belongs in the toilet not on it or on the walls! Violators will have the pleasure of bathroom duty.

STREET LIGHTS If you notice a street light not working call Consumer Energy to report this. 1-517-374-2380 press 6.

Signs - Posting of any signs on trees, poles, or posts within the Village is **NOT** allowed without a Sign Permit--obtain at Village office.

Fences- The Village has a fence ordinance. Our Ordinance Enforcer will be checking the village for fences in bad condition, please make repairs.

SWIMMING POOLS If you are thinking of installing a swimming pool or have already done so, be advised that you must completely enclose it with a fence; call Building Inspector. A permit is required.

INSPECTORS: All building done in the Village is required to have a permit, please call or stop at the Village Office for this information. Building Inspections call Val Jenson at 231- 638-0529. Electrical Inspections call Jeff Johnson at 231-329-4465. Plumbing and Mechanical Inspection, call Jim Callender at (231)206-6563.

DOGS are to be kept on a leash, in a fenced area or other suitable confinement. Allowing dogs to run loose within the Village limits is not permissible and is also a violation of the Muskegon County Leash law. The Village also requires that dogs not be allowed to bark continuously, which is an infringement of your neighbor's rights. You can report this by calling 911 or Animal Control and this could result in a ticket from the County Sheriff's Dept. If you own more than three dogs, a kennel permit must be obtained from the Village Council.

FARM ANIMALS are not allowed in the Village such as chickens, ducks, geese, pigs, goats, horses, cows, and etc.

YARD SALES: Two-yard sales per address, per year, are permitted in the Village. A Yard Sale Permit is required and can be obtained at the Village Hall, Monday and Wednesday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 (closed noon to 1:00) and Tuesday and Thursday, 8:00 to Noon. If signs have to be removed by Village officials, Village keeps \$4.00. Permits cost \$1.00 + \$4.00 for four signs. Signs must be removed within three days of sale. Bring signs to Village hall and receive \$4.00 refund.

CURFEW: If you see any minors walking the streets after 10:00 P.M., call the police. There is no good reason for any minors to be walking the streets after curfew hours.

GRASS & NOXIOUS WEEDS Village Ordinance No. 13 states grass is not to grow taller than 6 inches.

No Burning of leaves or grass clippings allowed in the Village per State of Michigan Law. Tree limbs, brush, and tree cuttings are allowed if DNR permits (contact DNR at www.dnr.state.mi.us/burnpermits, they will inform you if it is safe to burn in your area). Bonfires are allowed if fire does not exceed six (6) feet in diameter and four (4) feet high.

Bus Service: Bus service that ran Lakewood Rd. and Russell Rd., and Whitelake Drive is suspended during the Stay-at-Home Order. Call phone number is 231-724-6420 for you to call for further updates.

Lakewood Civic Builders contact: Ed Ward at (231) 206-6008, Visit Facebook @ Lakewood Civic Center

St. Mary of the Wood Catholic Church at 150 W. Church St. Mass Sundays at 8:30 a.m., coffee and rolls after Mass. During the Covid-19 crisis the Baby Pantry is not operating, if you are in dire need of something call Toni Garcia at 231-736-0267. When it is permitted The Baby Pantry will be open on Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in the Parish Hall-Serving Moms in need in our area. Have items to give from newborn to 5T. All at no cost! Donations to the Baby Pantry are always welcome. Includes: Diapers, wipes, lotion, soap, wash cloths and towels, butt paste and powder, new or gently used and clean clothing-newborn to 5T, shoes, children's plates, bowls, sippi cups, spoons, forks, strollers and most any other baby need. We cannot take used cribs or car seats. For information regarding the St. Mary Baby Pantry contact: Toni Garcia at 231 736-0267

Blood Drives at the Parish Hall are conducted every couple of months by The American Red Cross. Dates are May 11, July 13, September 14, and November 9, 2020 from 12:00 noon until 6:00 p.m.

Lakewood Bible Church announced that the church is closed due to the Pastor leaving and lack of congregants to keep the church operating.

Garden Club Meeting The Lakewood Garden Club was created in 2011. Our first goal was to create the corner garden on the northeast corner of Kenwood and Kedzie to help celebrate our Centennial in 2012. Other goals were to meet neighbors who enjoyed gardening, share ideas, get plant help, and spruce up the community. We put in another garden on the northwest corner of Kenwood and Kedzie which we received a grant for from the Muskegon Community Foundation. We would love to have our membership grow which would allow us to do more in the community. We meet at each other's home and plan our maintenance schedule for the gardens, new projects. Meetings this year are contingent on when the Stay-at Home rule is lifted. Road trips, lunches, plant shopping and helping each other with our gardens occur. We always appreciate donations to keep up the costs of maintaining our gardens such as mulch and replacing flowers. We want to thank Larry Worden and Colleen Stanfield who have allowed us to use their corner spaces and use of water and hose. The gardens could not survive without their generosity. We would like to thank our residents of Lakewood Club Mary and Jerry Kilmer, Debbie Houtteman, Randy and Elizabeth LeMoine, Jill Galloway, Carol Stoub (posthumously), and Matt and Mary Kay Weber for their memorial donations for Lloyd Stanley, Cheryl Welch, Gene Short, Royce Genson, Larry Mumper, Laura Holy, and Carol Stoub. If you would like to learn more call the Village Hall at 231-894-9008.

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