

Village Voice

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Office Hours Mon. & Wed. 8:00 a.m.-12:00p.m. & 1:00p.m.-5:00p.m. Tues. & Thurs 8:00a.m.-12:00p.m.

Village Council meets 4th Monday at 7:00 p.m.
Village Work Session meets 4th Monday, 6:00 p.m. If it falls on a Holiday then it will be the third Monday of the month

Planning Commission meets the Wednesday prior to the Village Meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Residents are urged and welcomed to attend meetings.

April 2023

President: Robert Sikkenga

Clerk: Susan West

Treasurer: Hannah Swanson

Council: Rusty Morningstar

Jared Semelbauer

Sarah Swanson

Tammy VerHoeven

Mark Spencer

Debbie Houtteman

One of the best ways to voice your concerns is to attend our monthly meetings.

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.

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

Attached is a survey we would like our residents to take the time to fill this out and drop off at our Village Office during business hours or you can put them in our drop box to the left of our entrance. We need your opinions on how to go forward in planning for our Village.

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.

Garbage Service

Garbage pick-up is assessed to your Village taxes. The Village will be under a new contract with SWS STARTING July 1, 2023. 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 carts)

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 free \$25.00 certificate (per household) to use at the dump toward your dump fee. An annual recycling permit cost \$30.00.

Dates to Remember

There will be no Free Lunch in the Park this year due to lack of staff

Road Clean-up will be May 3, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. and May 11, 2023 6:00 p.m.. We ask for anyone who is able and available to help with this. The Village provides trash bags for this. We will all meet at the Village Hall.

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

Muskegon County Recycling Event Saturday October 21, 2023

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.

Unwanted vehicles and scrap metal Sprague Auto parts are looking to aid in cleaning up properties of unwanted vehicles and scrap metal. They offer towing of vehicles and have certified scales used for purchasing scrap metal. Sprague Auto Sales 81 S. Getty St., Muskegon, Michigan 49442, Phone 231-726-2988

Village Wide Yard Sale June 22, 23, &24, 2023

No permit needed to participate

Village Curbside Pickup will not be scheduled this year.

July 4th Celebration will be held on Saturday July 1, 2023

Parade 12:00 noon

Craft Show in Park July 1, 2023 Any vendors interested in this the price per 10' x 10' space is \$20.00

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

Fireworks July 1, 2023 Dusk or approximately 10:00 p.m.

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

St. Mary's of the Woods Blood Drives May 15, 2023, July 10, 2023, September 18, 2023, and November 13, 2023. Time of these events are from 12:00 noon – 6:00 p.m. St. Mary's of the Woods Blood Drives May 15, 2023, July 10, 2023, September 18, 2023, and November 13, 2023. Time of these events are from 12:00 noon – 6:00 p.m.

St. Mary' of the Woods Baby Pantry Thursday's 9-12 noon in the Parish Hall. Serving Mom's in need at no cost. They have items for newborn thru five years old. Donations to the baby pantry are always welcome which includes diapers, wipes, powder, new or gently used clothes, lotion, towels, washcloths, strollers and almost any baby needs. (We can not take used cribs or car seats.)

St. Mary's of the Woods Annual Yard Sale August 11 & 12, 2023

Elections May 2, 2023 MAISD Mileage, August 8, 2023 Dalton Township Fire Renewal Mileage, November 7, 2023 to be determined if needed.

Notices

Our Village Planning Commission has a vacant seat to be filled if anyone is interested contact the Village Hall

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

Rules

Ordinance Enforcer Our Ordinance Enforcer is Gregory Balcom, his phone no is. 231-736-7157 or ordinanceenforcer@villageoflakewoodclub.org. Our Ordinance Enforcer 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. The Ordinance Enforcer 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!

Roads Our Maintenance Department works hard to maintain our roads in winter and through out the year. We ask that you not blow, rake, or shovel your leaves and yard debris, or snow into the road. If we find you are doing this our maintenance workers will put this back into your yard or driveway.

We ask that our residents do their part in keeping them in good repair, anyone speeding or tearing up the roads be reported by calling 911 or the Village Hall. We ask you to get the license number of the vehicle if possible. The fine for this offense is \$500.00 plus legal costs. Also in winter months we ask that anyone clearing their yards of snow to not push it in to our roadways. A reminder that in the Village there is no parking allowed on the sides of our roads.

PARK RESTROOMS: 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: Building Inspections call Robert Tufts 231-578-8496, 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, 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

Community Advancement

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

St. Mary of the Woods Catholic Chapel at 150 W. Church St. Mass Sundays at 8:30 a.m., coffee and rolls after Mass.

Emanuel Covenant Church is now in the former Lakewood Bible Church Building. They are remodeling and updating the church. They hosted an Easter Egg Hunt and lunch at our park on April 8, 2023 and they host youth group and pizza parties on Sunday afternoon from 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. for ages 5th Grade – 12th Grade.

Garden Club The Lakewood Garden Club was created in 2011. The Lakewood Garden Club is an informal group of volunteer members who share gardening ideas and work together in maintaining the **Centennial Garden** at Kenwood and Kedzie and the **Pollinator Garden** at the east end of the **Village Park**. We have bi-monthly meetings held in the months of April, June, August, and October. New members are always welcome. We would love to have our membership grow which would allow us to do more in the community. We appreciate donations to keep up the costs of maintaining our gardens such as mulch and replacing flowers. If you are interested in joining our garden club or would like to make a donation contact Randy Lemoine at 231-855-0592 or e-mail randel.lemoine@gmail.com. Checks can be made to Randel Lemoine, Garden Club President, 50 W. Englewood St., Twin Lake, Mi. 49457.

We wish to acknowledge donations in 2022: Memorial Donation: Ivy Nagel. Freewill Donations: Jill Galloway, Cheryl Edsall, Matt & Mary Kay Weber, Randy & Elizabeth Lemoine, Elizabeth Lemoine, Mary Kilmer, Debbie Houtteman, and anonymous. Thank you so much

Volume three of The History of Lakewood Club, Michigan, Village Status is now available on Amazon or may be obtained through the Garden Club. Cost is \$10.00 each copy. Proceeds go to The Garden Club.

We would like to remind our residents to support our local business' Pudgies and Lakewood Quick Stop

REMINDER: Activities in the Park Play Ground, Park Walk Path, & Tennis Courts are monitored by camera. Vandalism Anyone seeing any destruction of property or vandalism in the park or throughout the Village please call 911.

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

Final Reminder Please fill the enclosed survey and return it to the Village Hall
You can drop it at our office during office hours or put it in our drop box to the left of the entrance door.

