



14th Annual Loretto Fun Fest September 14th, 2013

Festivities begin at 1 pm with **Children's Activities in the Lion's Park:**



Inflatables & Kiddie Train ~ 1-7 pm
Rock Climbing Wall ~ 2-7 pm
K9 Demonstration ~ 2 pm
→ **Pony Rides ~ 3-5 pm**
Gonzo the Clown ~ 4-7 pm

Wrist Bands - \$10/child or \$30/family

Wrist bands required for participation in all children's events (plus Hot Air balloon) except K9 Demonstration, which is open to all.

Purchase wrist bands at the event @ Lion's Park concession stand.

First clue for the **Medallion Hunt**

will be posted at 1 pm @ Lion's Park concession stand,

Loretto Market** along West Railway Street with great vendors ~ 1-7 pm,

RE/Max Hot Air Balloon ~ 5:45-7:45: tethered rides, 10 yrs + (weather permitting),

FIREWORKS at dusk (about 8 pm),

Closing the night with a **STREET DANCE** ~ 8:30 pm - midnight

With **THE IRRESISTIBLES Sweet Soul Show** featuring **Mick Sterling, Cate Fierro and Katie Gearty**, www.irresistiblesmusic.com

~ **DJ, Concessions, delicious food & beer gardens all day** ~

If you would like to sign up to be a vendor at the **Loretto Market, contact Chris Stoltenow (stoltenowca@gmail.com), or find the form on our website under "Updates and Events."



Volunteers needed all day - please contact City Hall!!

Fun Fest Booster Buttons

The purchase of a Fun Fest Booster Button gains entrance to the Street Dance and Hot Air Balloon tethered rides (weather permitting). In addition, your name will be entered into drawings for prizes donated by local businesses.

\$10 Pre-Sale

\$12 day of Fun Fest

\$10 day of with donation of Food Shelf item

Buttons may be purchased before the event (starting in July) at the following locations: 21st Century Bank, Loretto City Hall, Axel's Tavern, Loretto Post Office, Liquor Depot, Detour 19, RE/Max and Koch's Korner.

Check the City's website for an updated list of locations.

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Recycling News

**RETHINK
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Blue Bag Organics Curbside Composting

Randy's Environmental Services offers Loretto residents an organics recycling program called **Blue Bag Organics**. This is a voluntary program that residents may elect to participate in with a first year cost of \$40 (a one time charge on your Loretto utility bill). Residents may sign up at any time. After the first year, the program costs \$80/year.

The Blue Bag Organics Curbside Composting System is an amazingly easy and affordable way to recycle kitchen scraps, discarded leftovers, spoiled produce and even pizza boxes. In less than two months, this organics waste will be converted into soil-enriching compost that will be sold at local garden centers.

When you sign up for the program, Randy's will deliver the following:

- A 32-gallon Blue Bag Organics can and lid
- Sixty 32-gallon Blue Bag Organics compostable can liners per year (a \$72 value)
- A ventilated kitchen compost bucket (an \$11 value)
- A coupon for a complimentary bag of Blue Bag Premium Compost (a \$4 value)

This is how it works:

1. Place a Blue Bag Organics can liner in the 32-gallon can provided
2. Fill with kitchen scraps, discarded leftovers, etc.
3. When full (or as full as you care to fill it) remove the liner from the organics can and tie it shut
4. Place the tied-shut liner inside your rolling trash cart, on top of your trash

It's as easy as that! Randy's will separate all Blue Bags from the other trash at their facility to go to a composting facility. If having enough room in your trash cart is a concern for you, Randy's will offer you a larger cart for the same price as your current cart.

If you have any questions, or would like to sign up for the program, call Loretto City Hall at 763-479-4305, or email mschneider@ci.loretto.mn.us.

Upcoming Recycling Dates

June 25th

July 9th & 23rd

August 6th & 20th

September 4th* & 17th

*indicates a change in normal pick-up day



Upcoming Meetings

City Council Meetings

Loretto City Council meetings are held at 7:00 pm on the second Tuesday of each month.

The next Council meetings:

July 9th, August 13th & Sept. 10th

On occasion these dates need to be rescheduled due to conflicts, please watch the City website for the most up-to-date information.

Redevelopment Meetings

Watch the City website for information on these meeting dates and times.



All meetings are held at City Hall Offices/Council Chambers at 279 North Medina Street, Suite 260. If you have any questions, please contact City Hall at 763-479-4305 or trosin@ci.loretto.mn.us.

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June 2013

Dear Residents and Business Owners,

Preparation is underway for this year's **14th Annual Loretto Fun Fest**, scheduled for Saturday, September 14th, 2013. The planning committee is working on some fun new events for this year, in addition to popular events from the past. This year's Fun Fest will again be held all on one day with the festivities taking place on West Railway Street, with the children's events at the Lion's Park. There will be music throughout the day, a Loretto Market with great vendors, fireworks at dusk, with a street dance following at 8:30 pm. It's looking to be a great event! (If you would like more information about the Loretto Market, please visit our web site or contact Chris Stoltenow: stoltenowca@gmail.com or 612-735-0105.)

With donations from area business owners and residents, last year's fireworks were fantastic! Residents and business owners are again being asked to sponsor the event which includes the fireworks display. As in previous years, a sponsor board will be posted at the Fun Fest, printed in the Delano Herald newspaper, on the City of Loretto website and in the Loretto Newsletter, recognizing your support and donation. We are splitting donations into different sponsorship levels: **Bronze** for donations up to \$49.99; **Silver** for donations from \$50- \$99.99; **Gold** for donations from \$100 - \$499.99; and **Platinum** for donations, \$500 & up. Platinum Donors will receive a complimentary Fun Fest button (which gains entrance to all adult events).

If you would like to make a donation, please fill out the form at the bottom of this page and return it to Loretto City Hall. We would like to have all the donations in by August 1, 2013 so we can budget for the event. Late donations are always accepted!

Please feel free to call Loretto City Hall (763-479-4305) or us with any questions. We would really appreciate your support. If you would like to serve on the Fun Fest Planning Committee or volunteer at the event, please call Loretto City Hall as we are in need of volunteers for the day!

The Fun Fest Committee members thank you in advance for your generosity.

Cindy Spaulding
21st Century Bank
763-479-2178

Tim Pivec
West Hennepin Auto & Tire
763-479-6395

Jeff Leuer
Loretto Fire Dept.
763-479-3036

2013 Loretto Fun Fest

Donation of: \$ _____ From: _____
Please print as you would like your name published

Please make checks payable to "City of Loretto". Thank you!

Miscellaneous News

CITY BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT

The Fun Fest Planning Committee and the Loretto City Council have been working on plans to beautify Loretto. A call for support went out to residents and businesses a few months ago and was answered with generous donations to help make this project possible. With these donations, along with a budget surplus from the past two Fun Fest events, the project is moving forward. Six concrete planters have been ordered and are expected to be placed and planted by the middle of June along County Road 19. In addition, eight hanging baskets of flowers will be hung along West Railway Street.



Thank you to the following for their generous donations to this project:

- 21st Century Bank
- CAS Tax & Accounting Services
- Chris & Kalie Cole
- Church of SS Peter and Paul
- Loretto Fire Department
- Tom & Alicia Pedersen
- Hank & Katie Pepin
- RE/Max
- West Hennepin Auto & Tire

BEYOND THE YELLOW RIBBON CAMPAIGN

The city of Delano is sponsoring a Beyond the Yellow Ribbon of the Best of 12 Campaign. This program is set up to help military families face the challenges of deployment and reintegration by providing community support, empathy and compassion.

If you know of a service member or their family that needs support and assistance, please contact the Yellow Ribbon of the Best of 12 Committee by calling 763-972-4433 or emailing yellowribbon@delano.mn.us and trained community leaders and volunteers will be available to provide the assistance needed.

NEW BUSINESS IN TOWN

Ave Maria Academy is now accepting applications for its new Preschool Program beginning in September 2013 on the Loretto Campus (@ Sts. Peter and Paul). For questions, or to start the enrollment process for your preschooler, please contact Admissions Coordinator, Kristen Basgall at 763-494-5388 or admissions@avemariaacademy.org. You could also visit their website for more information at www.avemariaacademy.org.

A bobcat fork belonging to the city of Loretto was stolen from city property.

Anyone with information regarding this theft is asked to contact Charmane Domino, investigator for the Medina Police Department, at 763-473-9209.



CIRCUS COMING TO INDEPENDENCE

The *Carson & Barnes Circus* is stopping in Independence at Pioneer Park, 2055 County Road 90 on Monday, July 1st. There will be two performances: 4:30 and 7:30 pm. The Midway opens at 9:30 am with the Tent Raising. There will be elephant and camel rides, tours of the Big Top tent, and a free petting zoo. For more information and ticket sales visit www.independence.govoffice.com and go to the Events tab.

LCAA RAFFLE

The Loretto Community Athletic Association (LCAA), sponsored by the Loretto Lions Club, will be holding a raffle with the drawing on July 7th after the 2 pm Larks baseball game at the Arnold Klaers Baseball field. Proceeds to fund the Loretto Community Park Projects. Tickets may be purchased at the baseball and softball concession stands, Koch's Korner, and also from LCAA and Lions Club members. Check out the LCAA website for more information: www.lorettoathletic.org.

LORETTO LARKS 2013 REMAINING SCHEDULE

Wednesday, June 19th @ Cokato, 7:30pm
 Friday, June 21st @ Dassel-Cokato, 7:30pm
 Sunday, June 23rd vs. Rockford (Rockford Home), 2pm
 Friday, June 28th vs. Mound (Mound Home), 7:30pm
 Sunday, June 30th vs. Hutchinson, 2pm**
 Wednesday, July 3rd-All Star Game @ Maple Lake, 7:30pm
 Sunday, July 7th vs. Maple Lake, 2pm**
 Wednesday, July 10th vs. Mound, 7:30pm
 Friday, July 12th vs. Buffalo, 7:30pm
 Wednesday, July 17th vs. Delano, 7:30pm**
 Sunday, July 21st @ Maple Plain, 2pm
 **Event games = free admission

Consumer Confidence Report

City of Loretto
2012 Drinking Water Report

PWSID: 1270019
763-479-4305

The City of Loretto is issuing the results of monitoring done on its drinking water for the period from January 1 to December 31, 2012. The purpose of this report is to advance consumers' understanding of drinking water and heighten awareness of the need to protect precious water resources.

Source of Water

The City of Loretto provides drinking water to its residents from a groundwater source: a 615-foot-deep well that draws water from the Franconia-Ironton-Galesville aquifer.

The Minnesota Department of Health has determined that the source(s) used to supply your drinking water is not particularly susceptible to contamination. If you wish to obtain the entire source water assessment regarding your drinking water, please call 651-201-4700 or 1-800-818-9318 during normal business hours. Also, you can view it online at www.health.state.mn.us/divs/eh/water/swp/swa.

Call 763-479-4305 if you have questions about the City of Loretto drinking water or would like information about opportunities for public participation in decisions that may affect the quality of the water.

Results of Monitoring

No contaminants were detected at levels that violated federal drinking water standards. However, some contaminants were detected in trace amounts that were below legal limits. The table that follows shows the contaminants that were detected in trace amounts last year. (Some contaminants are sampled less frequently than once a year; as a result, not all contaminants were sampled for in 2012. If any of these contaminants were detected the last time they were sampled for, they are included in the table along with the date that the detection occurred.)

Key to abbreviations:

MCLG—Maximum Contaminant Level Goal: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

MCL—Maximum Contaminant Level: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

MRDL—Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level.

MRDLG—Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal.

AL—Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirement which a water system must follow.

90th Percentile Level—This is the value obtained after disregarding 10 percent of the samples taken that had the highest levels. (For example, in a situation in which 10 samples were taken, the 90th percentile level is determined by disregarding the highest result, which represents 10 percent of the samples.) Note: In situations in which only 5 samples are taken, the average of the two with the highest levels is taken to determine the 90th percentile level.

ppm—Parts per million, which can also be expressed as milligrams per liter (mg/l).

ppb—Parts per billion, which can also be expressed as micrograms per liter (µg/l).

N/A—Not Applicable (does not apply).

Contaminant (units)	MCLG	MCL	Level Found		Typical Source of Contaminant
			Range (2012)	Average/Result*	
Barium (ppm) (12/23/2008)	2	2	N/A	.08	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.
Fluoride (ppm)	4	4	.98-1	1	State of Minnesota requires all municipal water systems to add fluoride to the drinking water to promote strong teeth; Erosion of natural deposits; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5) (ppb) (10/04/2011)	0	60	N/A	1.7	By-product of drinking water disinfection.
TTHM (Total trihalomethanes) (ppb) (10/04/2011)	0	80	N/A	.7	By-product of drinking water disinfection.

*This is the value used to determine compliance with federal standards. It sometimes is the highest value detected and sometimes is an average of all the detected values. If it is an average, it may contain sampling results from the previous year.

Contaminant (units)	MRDLG	MRDL	****	*****	Typical Source of Contaminant
Chlorine (ppm)	4	4	.29-1.11	.94	Water additive used to control microbes.

****Highest and Lowest Monthly Average.

*****Highest Quarterly Average.

Contaminant (units)	MCLG	AL	90% Level	# sites over AL	Typical Source of Contaminant
Copper (ppm) (07/14/2011)	1.3	1.3	.78	0 out of 10	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits.
Lead (ppb) (07/14/2011)	0	15	.7	0 out of 10	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits.

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. City of Loretto is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

Monitoring may have been done for additional contaminants that do not have MCLs established for them and are not required to be monitored under the Safe Drinking Water Act. Results may be available by calling 651-201-4700 or 1-800-818-9318 during normal business hours.

Compliance with National Primary Drinking Water Regulations

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.

Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.

Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential uses.

Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems.

Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. Food and Drug Administration regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population.

Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

The City's website (www.ci.loretto.mn.us) has links to current and past Consumer Confidence Reports (CCR's) Under the *Utilities* tab, click on *Water* There are CCR's available from 2006 through 2012.

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Preventing Stormwater Pollution

SUMMER STORMWATER TIPS

Here are some tips to help prevent stormwater runoff, a major pollutant to our rivers, lakes and streams.

1. Mow your lawn no shorter than 2 inches; root growth equals the height of the grass, so mowing too close shortens the roots. Leave grass clippings on the lawn because they are rich in nitrogen and hold moisture. Don't fertilize until Fall, and then only if needed.
2. Wash your car only when necessary, on grass rather than the driveway. The soil will serve as a natural filter.
3. If you have a lake with ducks in your neighborhood, it's best not to feed them. Pets should not be walked around a lake. The lakes are vital to stormwater management, and the pet and duck waste, like fertilizers, pollute the water, causing algae blooms that rob the lake of oxygen and kill fish and other aquatic life.



Remember...Only Rain Should Go Down Our Storm Drains!

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LORETTO CREEK SEDIMENT AND NUTRIENT REMOVAL GRANT PROJECT

Loretto Creek, an east tributary to Lake Sarah, is a DNR protected water and is located within the cities of Loretto and Medina. A Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) study was completed and it was determined that Loretto Creek carries approximately 269 pounds of sediment and nutrients per year to Lake Sarah. Grant money was received from the Clean Water Legacy Grant Program to provide treatment for approximately 490 acres of watershed, with the total project footprint at 2.9 acres at the Loretto ball fields.

The project includes the following main components:

- Stabilizing the pipe outlets just west of County Road 19
- Re-establishing 350 feet of DNR channel that was previously filled and piped
- Constructing a small sedimentation pond to allow for routine cleaning
- Constructing a 3/4 acre water quality pond
- Restoring a historically filled wetland within the ball fields
- Establishing native seed in open space areas

A water quality model was completed by Three Rivers Park District for the proposed concept plan. The model predicts that this project will remove approximately 140 pounds of phosphorus per year. As established in the TMDL study, the Waste Load Reduction (WLR) allocation for Loretto is 37 pounds of phosphorus per year and 247 pounds per year for Medina. The project will slow down flows by creating more storage within the restored creek and wetland and adjacent native vegetation along with the sedimentation pond. Flows from a 2.5 inch rainfall event will be diverted into the water quality pond and restored wetland. This will further reduce peak flows, increase retention, and encourage infiltration and biofiltration through the use of native plants.

Funding sources for the project will consist of a combination of Medina's stormwater utility fee, City of Loretto land contributions, Pioneer-Sarah Watershed Management Commission support, and grants. Long-term operation and maintenance needs will include verification of established wetland plants, stream channel stability, and storage capacity of the stormwater treatment system.

The project started in 2012, and the major construction and excavating is now complete. The remaining punch list items include access roads, soil stabilization, and seeding.

For more information, check out the city of Loretto website: www.ci.loretto.mn.us