

# The City Newsletter

News for Loretto City Residents

## 15th Annual Loretto Fun Fest September 13th, 2014

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



- Inflatables & Kiddie Train ~ 1-7 pm
- Rock Climbing Wall ~ 1-7 pm
- K9 Demonstration ~ 1:30 pm
- KRWC Road Show ~ 2-4 pm**
- Hair by Roots Salon ~ 2-5 pm
- Face Painting ~ 3-6 pm
- Pony Rides ~ 3-5 pm
- Photo Booth ~ 3-7 pm
- Gonzo the Clown ~ 4-7 pm

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

Wrist bands required for participation in all children's events.

Photo Booth participation requires either wrist band or Fun Fest Button.

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 Bean Bag Tournament** ~ 2-5 pm, West Railway Street.

Call 763-447-3141 for registration or more information

**Live Music: The Hargreaves** (3-5 pm) and **The Balgaard Brothers** (5:30-7:30 pm)

**FIREWORKS** at dusk (about 8 pm),

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

With **THE SHANE MARTIN BAND**

~ **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](mailto:stoltenowca@gmail.com)), or find the form on our website under "Updates and Events."

**Parking available at Loretto Softball Complex and Sts. Peter and Paul.**

### Fun Fest Booster Buttons

The purchase of a Fun Fest Booster Button gains entrance to the Big Tent during the afternoon and evening and the Photo Booth. 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 August 1st) at the following locations: 21st Century Bank, Loretto City Hall, Axel's Tavern, Detour 19 and Koch's Korner.

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Wednesday 8:00-1:30  
3:00-6:00  
Friday 8:00-1:30

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## Recycling News

### Did you know.....

- \* Plastic caps can now be recycled! Empty the container and put the cap back on recyclable bottles, such as milk, juice, beverage, liquid detergent, shampoo and more. They go right along with the plastic bottles to be recycled.
- \* Plastic shopping bags are **not** accepted in our curbside recycling with other plastics; however, they are collected in bins throughout the metropolitan area at many grocery and discount stores including: Target, Coborn's, Cub Foods, and Lunds/Byerly's. All material must be clean and dry. Learn more at [www.itsinthebagmn.org](http://www.itsinthebagmn.org).
- \* After doing your spring planting, Lowe's will accept the plastic pots from your annuals, vegetables, shrubs, etc. for recycling.
- \* About 40 percent of what we throw away can be recycled. When we increase our efforts we'll enjoy more benefits, like conserving energy, protecting natural resources and conserving landfill space. Find out more at: [RethinkRecycling.com](http://RethinkRecycling.com).



### Upcoming Recycling Dates

June 24th

July 8th & 22nd

August 5th & 19th

September 3rd\* & 16th

\*Indicates a change in normal pick-up due to Holidays



### Blue Bag Organics

For those participating in the program, Randy's has asked that we remind you to hand tie the Blue Bags shut. They want to be sure to recover all the organic waste you have separated from the other trash. The cost of the program is \$79.99 per year and anyone new to the program will receive a \$40 discount for the first year. Contact City Hall to opt-in.

Thanks for your participation!

## 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 are: **July 8th, August 19th, and September 9th.**

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  
279 North Medina Street, Suite 260  
If you have any questions, please contact City Hall at 763-479-4305 or [mschneider@ci.loretto.mn.us](mailto:mschneider@ci.loretto.mn.us).

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May 2014

Dear Residents and Business Owners,

Preparation is underway for this year's **15<sup>th</sup> Annual Loretto Fun Fest**, scheduled for Saturday, September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2014. 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 featuring the Shane Martin Band. It's looking to be another great event! (If you would like more information about the Loretto Market, please visit our web site or contact Chris Stoltenow: [stoltenowca@gmail.com](mailto:stoltenowca@gmail.com) or 612-735-0105.

With donations from area business owners and residents, last year's fireworks were fantastic despite the weather! 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 of \$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 July 1, 2014 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 21 <sup>st</sup> Century Bank 763-479-2178	Tim Pivec West Hennepin Auto & Tire 763-479-6395	Jeff Leuer Loretto Fire Dept. 763-479-3036
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2014 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 OF LORETTO COMPOST AND BRUSH SITE CHANGE

As of May 13, 2014, Loretto residents may dispose of yard waste/compost/brush at the Medina site located at **2052 County Road 24, Medina**. There is a gated entrance directly off County Road 24. Please remove all bags and dispose of them off site. Any illegal dumping will be fined.

**Hours of Operation: Tues-Thurs 7 am-3:30 pm, Open continually from Fri 7 am - Mon 3:30 pm**

Questions? Call Loretto City Hall at 763-479-4305 or email [mschneider@ci.loretto.mn.us](mailto:mschneider@ci.loretto.mn.us)

### JOIN THE LORETTO LIONS CLUB!

We are a service orientated club and give back more than we receive! We hear many "thank you's" for our donations and enjoy helping out whenever we can.

Men and women over 18 years of age are invited to join us. Our meeting time is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm. When the weather is nice we meet at the Lions Park and when it is cold, we meet in the caboose at the Choo Choo. Meetings are kept to an hour and a half or less.

We are always in need of new members and fresh ideas. If you are interested, please come to a meeting or give Dana Cline a shout by e-mail at [dana@essbrothers.com](mailto:dana@essbrothers.com). If you have any questions or concerns please let us know and seriously think about joining our group. You won't regret it!

### HYDRANT FLUSHING

City water hydrants will be flushed on the second Wednesday of each month, April through October. Flushing will begin at 8:00 am and finish by 11:30 am. Low water pressure may be experienced during this time. The flushing process may loosen rust sediments in the water lines, so please clear your pipes prior to doing laundry. The best way to do this is to run your outside faucet until the water is clear. If you want to be notified of hydrant flushings, contact the city to be added to the Public Notification System or complete the form on page 6 of this newsletter. The form is also on the city website.

### CITY OF LORETTO COMPREHENSIVE PARKS PLAN

The city is working on a comprehensive park plan to document the current park facilities and to plan for future capital improvements. If you have ideas or suggestions for any city park improvements, please contact City Council Members Hank Pepin: [hpep-in@ci.loretto.mn.us](mailto:hpep-in@ci.loretto.mn.us) or John Neumann: [jneumann@ci.loretto.mn.us](mailto:jneumann@ci.loretto.mn.us).



### NIGHT TO UNITE

The Loretto Fire Department will be hosting Night to Unite on **Tuesday, August 5<sup>th</sup> from 5-9 pm**. Food will be provided along with bounce houses, fire truck rides, safety tips and other fun things. Bring your family and friends for a fun evening of visiting with your neighbors.

The City of Loretto Comprehensive Parks Plan will also be on display for public comment.

### OPT-IN TO MAILED COPIES OF NEWSLETTER

Currently the Loretto City Newsletter is mailed to all residents in June and December. It is e-mailed to residents in March and September. Contact City Hall if you would like a paper copy of the newsletter mailed to you each quarter or if you would like to be added to the e-mail listing to receive e-newsletters as well as City Council agendas, minutes and other city information.

## Miscellaneous News

### LORETTO LARKS 2014 REMAINING SCHEDULE

- Wednesday, June 18 vs. Rockford, 7:30 pm (Home)
- Friday, June 20 @ Delano, 7:30 pm
- Sunday, June 22 @ Cokato, 6 pm
- Wednesday, June 25 vs. Dassel-Cokato, 7:30 pm (Home)  
 \*Local Hero Night - All military, police, firefighters, and emergency medical personnel receive free admission.
- Sunday, June 29 @ Hutchinson, 2 pm
- Sunday, July 6 @ Maple Lake, 6 pm
- Wednesday, July 9 vs. Howard Lake, 7:30 pm (Home)
- Friday, July 11 vs. Montrose, 7:30 pm (Home)  
 \*Raffle Drawing/Alumni Night-Grand prize drawing after game! Free admission with raffle ticket or Loretto Baseball Alumni.
- Sunday, July 13 @ Buffalo, 6 pm
- Wednesday, July 16 vs. Delano, 7:30 pm (Home)  
 \*Fan Appreciation Night - Thanks to all the fans for their support. Specials at the concession stand!
- Sunday, July 20 @ Maple Plain, 2 pm

July 30 - August 10 Regionals, visit the Loretto Larks website for schedule updates:  
[www.ihigh.com/lorettolarks/](http://www.ihigh.com/lorettolarks/)

Regular Season Admission Prices: \$5 Adults, \$2 Students/Seniors, 12 and under FREE

Follow the Larks on Twitter! @LorettoLarks



## 2014 Election News

In the 2014 Elections, you will have the opportunity to vote for candidates in the following offices:

**Federal:** U.S. Senator

**State:** Governor and Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, State Auditor, Attorney General, 4th District Court Judges

**Municipal:** Mayor (2-year term), 2 City Council Members (4-year term)

**Primary Election, Tuesday, August 12:** Vote for the offices listed above (except for Municipal) within one of the major political parties.

**General Election, Tuesday, November 4**

Voting for both elections will take place between the hours of 7 am and 8 pm at the Loretto City Council Chambers, 279 North Medina Street (in the Loretto Office Park Building). Enter the building using the back/upper parking lot. All those 18 years of age and over are eligible to vote.

Come in to City Hall and check out the new ballot counting machine. It is on display and available for residents to try out during regular office hours.

## Public Notification System

The city has a system in place so that we can notify you of public safety information or local emergencies with a voice message, email or text. Please fill out the information below and drop off the form at City Hall or e-mail the information to: [cscheibe@ci.loretto.mn.us](mailto:cscheibe@ci.loretto.mn.us). You have the option of receiving a voice message, email and/or text message. You may choose any or all of the options. We are able to add and update resident and business contact information at any time. This is a private listing, your information will not be shared with any other entities. **Our goal is to have 100% participation of Loretto residents - please spread the word!**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list in order of importance. (Phone #1 will be the first to receive notification.)	Name (ex. Home phone, Jane's cell phone, etc.)	Phone number - please include area code
Phone #1 (voice message)		
Phone #2 (voice message)		
Phone #3 (voice message)		
Phone #4 (voice message)		
Phone number for text message		
Phone number for TTY (for hearing impaired residents)		

My mobile provider (i.e. Verizon, AT&T, Sprint, etc. Needed for text message function): \_\_\_\_\_

Name	Email address

Please return this form to City Hall or e-mail to: [cscheibe@ci.loretto.mn.us](mailto:cscheibe@ci.loretto.mn.us).

Thank you!



# Preventing Stormwater Pollution

## STORMWATER POLLUTION PREVENTION PLAN SURVEY

1.) I have read articles, brochures, or posters about stormwater pollution prevention in the City's newsletter, on the city's web site or at City Hall.

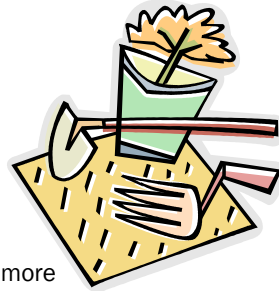
- Yes, in the City newsletter
- Yes, on the web site
- Yes, at City Hall
- No (please skip to question #4)

2.) How informative were these articles, brochures, or posters?

- Not at all
- Slightly
- Moderately
- Highly

3.) Did your practices around your home or business change as a result of what you read?

- No, not at all
- Somewhat, but not much
- I changed several practices, but I think I could do more
- Yes, thoroughly



4.) Comments, suggestions, and questions:

Please return this survey to Loretto City Hall  
Thank you for your time and feedback.

**We** all live in a watershed – the area that drains to a common waterway, such as a stream, lake, river, wetland, or even the ocean – and our individual actions directly affect it. In Loretto, our rain and stormwater runoff flow to Lake Independence and Lake Sarah. Each newsletter will include guidelines you can follow to help make a difference in the quality of our local waters.

### Best Practices

**Recycle used motor oil.** Take care not to spill gasoline, motor oil, washer fluid, antifreeze or other chemicals on hard surfaces. They will flow through storm sewers to our lakes, creeks and rivers and are harmful to fish, plants and other aquatic life.

**Dispose of cigarette butts properly.** Do not throw them out car windows. Nicotine is poisonous and can harm aquatic life.

**Keep soil and organic debris out of the water.** When soil washes down ditches it flows directly into our lakes, streams and rivers. Soil particles contain phosphorus which feeds algae and lowers water quality. Here's how you can help :

- \* Keep your lawn healthy and reseed any bare spots. Plant flowers or other native ground covers in open soil.
- \* When you are done with yard work, clean your lawn and garden equipment on the grass, not on hard surfaces. The same goes for car floor mats and rugs. Shake and wash them over the lawn, not the driveway.
- \* Leaves, twigs, tree flowers and other organic debris accumulates on roofs and in gutters. Keep it from washing into the street by directing your downspouts away from buildings and onto grass or ground cover where the nutrients will be absorbed.
- \* If you live near a storm sewer grate, remove debris as often as possible, preferably after every rain. Bag it and place it in the garbage. Be sure to wear gloves. Debris increases the phosphorus level and can clog storm drains and cause street flooding.
- \* Pet waste can contain harmful bacteria as well as nutrients. Pick up pet waste promptly. Bag it and put in the garbage. Never drop pet waste in the street or ditches.
- \* Mow so that grass clippings are directed back into the yard and not into the street. **Never wash or blow them into the street.** Soil, leaves or clippings that end up in the street should be swept up.

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## Consumer Confidence Drinking Water Report

Water suppliers that serve the same people year-round must prepare annual water quality reports (consumer confidence reports) for their customers. The first reports were due in October 1999, and from now on they come out in July of each year. The reports tell where drinking water comes from, what's in it, and how you can help protect it.

The 2013 Consumer Confidence Drinking Water Report can be seen in its entirety on the City website at: [www.ci.loretto.mn.us/vertical/sites/%7B42E0CBDC-5516-467A-B9BA-17F3247B9F52%7D/uploads/2013\\_Consumer\\_Confidence\\_Report.pdf](http://www.ci.loretto.mn.us/vertical/sites/%7B42E0CBDC-5516-467A-B9BA-17F3247B9F52%7D/uploads/2013_Consumer_Confidence_Report.pdf). If you would like a hard copy mailed to you, please call Loretto City Hall at 763-479-4305.

## City of Loretto Newsletter

The City newsletter is published four times per year at the beginning of the following months: March, June, September and December. Local civic groups hosting a city-wide event or activity may have the event published in the newsletter and/or placed on the city website. If your group would like to use this opportunity, please provide the information to the city no later than two weeks before the publication.

Contact Connie Scheibe at Loretto City Hall (763-479-4305 or [cscheibe@ci.loretto.mn.us](mailto:cscheibe@ci.loretto.mn.us)) to submit your event for publication.

