

The City

News for Loretto City Residents

September



LORETTO FUN FEST

September 19, 2009

Join the "Fun" at the Loretto Fun Fest starting @ 2:00pm till 8:00pm at the Loretto Ball fields.

The event will start with the Grand Opening of the bike path with walkers and bikers meeting at the South side of town by the Elsen farm and ending on the North side of town by the bank. All are welcome to walk or bike the new path!

Events new and old will be on hand for community fun. Your choice of dinner will be provided by a two local restaurants. The Pair-a-Dice Cruisers Car Club and the Northland Oliver Tractor Club will be on hand to display their prized treasures. Cow-a-Bunga Bingo will add some fun along with music by Pure Platinum.

There will be softball games, concessions, pony rides, petting zoo, face painting, clown, fun new inflatable's, Kiddies 'train, North Memorial Helicopter, K-9 demonstration and more! The night will end with fireworks starting 8:00pm

**In case of heavy rain, all events will be moved to the parish center with the exception of the fireworks, which will be displayed the following weekend. Mark your calendar!



Hydrant Flushing

Hydrant flushing will take place every month on Wednesdays. Upcoming dates are: Sept. 9th and Oct. 14th. Flushing will begin at 8:00 a.m. and end by noon.



Residents may experience low water pressure during this time. The flushing process may loosen rust sediments in the water lines so please check your water prior to laundering.

Direct Payment of Utility Bill Available

If you would like your utility bill automatically deducted from your checking or savings account, a form is available at City Hall (we would be happy to mail one to you) or you can print it off Loretto's website (www.ci.loretto.mn.us.) Click on "Utilities", then on "Direct Payment...".

If you choose to use the direct payment method, the City will still mail you a statement showing the amount to be deducted and the date of deduction so you will have the information for your checkbook.

Fall Leaf Pickup

Randy's Sanitation will pick up your bagged yard leaves and grass clippings for no extra charge on **Tuesday, November 3, 2009**.

Please have these items curb-side by 6:00 a.m. on that date.



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Monday 9:00-2:00

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Memorial Blood Drive



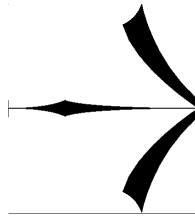
Sponsored by the Loretto Lions Club, Thursday, October 15th, 2009 from 2:00–8:00 PM is the date for the next blood drive to be held in the Parish Center of Sts. Peter & Paul Church.

If you would like to donate blood, please call Roy or Rosie Spurzem (763–479–1153) for an appointment. Any person, age 17 and up, in good health and weighing at least 110 lbs. is eligible to donate blood.

Blood is urgently needed. Please seriously consider making an appointment. Donation only takes 45–60 minutes and is greatly appreciated. You even get to lie down while you donate! Where else can you do that?

Winter Parking Restrictions

Loretto residents are reminded that winter parking rules are in effect from November 1 through March 31. On-street parking is prohibited on all city streets between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 7 a.m., with the exception of Medina Street, where parking is prohibited between 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. year-round.



E-Mail Alerts

In an attempt to improve communications with Loretto residents, the City is offering e-mail alerts. If you are interested in receiving specific news electronically from the City, please email: cpat-node@ci.loretto.mn.us and asked to be placed on:

- ___ Agenda for Council Meetings
- ___ Approved Council Minutes
- ___ Breaking News (Alerts)

PICK UP AFTER YOUR PET

Please remember to pick up after your pet while you're out walking. Pet stores and general retailers sell "doggie bags" just for this purpose. Loretto City Code Section 600:06 states, "No person shall allow a dog within his keeping to leave deposits on public property or property of others." Dog waste left on the ground ends up in our local lakes through the filtering process, so please dispose of the

BIKE PATH UPDATE

The construction around town is due to the bike path to connect Crow Hassan Park to Baker Park. The major part of the bike path is to be complete in Loretto by the Fun Fest.

The City Council also budgeted to replace a water main during this time which was done in front of the post office. Other additions that you will see happening will be the realignment of the "Ponds" trail so that it will line up just south of Elsen Street. That will enable the County to place a crosswalk at that location for the safety of those who use it. Please be aware that bikers and walkers still have to make sure that drivers are aware they are in the crosswalk prior to crossing. The Council also approved a sidewalk on the west side of the road across from the Post Office.

A median will be placed on the roadway on each side of the railroad tracks toward the end of the construction season.

The sidewalk is also the bike path through Loretto. Since the sidewalk was concrete prior to construction, the Council approved only concrete for the bike path through most of Loretto (a small portion on the south side will be asphalt). When it hooks up on both ends to Medina, it will be asphalt.

You will notice that the pavers are going in on the side of the path that fronts the road. The opposite side will be grass except from the area from the Fire Department to the Post Office where pavers will be placed in a design pattern up against the buildings.

The work in Medina will continue until approximately December 1st so there will be construction continuing around Loretto for quite some time.



Organic Recycling Information

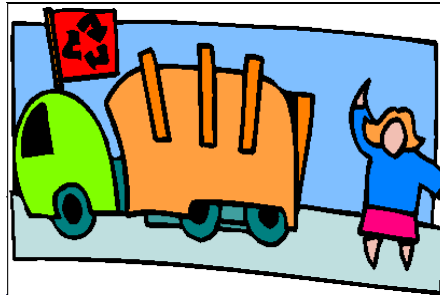
ACCEPTABLE:

- Fruits & vegetables
- Meat, fish & bones
- Bread, pasta & baked goods
- Egg shells
- Dairy products
- Coffee grounds & filters
- Paper towels & napkins
- Paper plates & cups
- Milk & juice cartons
- Pizza boxes
- Egg cartons

- Boxes from frozen & refrigerated food
- Waxed paper
- Paper containers
- Full vacuum cleaner bags
- Dryer lint
- Tissues & cotton balls
- Floral trimmings & house plants

NOT ACCEPTABLE:

- Styrofoam, plastics, glass or metal
- Plastic bags
- Foil-lined containers (juice boxes)
- Diapers & wipes
- Kitty litter & pet droppings
- Grass, leaves & brush



Recycling Resources

- Recycling bins Call 952-972-3335
- Missed pickup Call 952-972-3335
- Hazardous Wastes & Recycling Call 612-348-3777
- Appliances
 - JRs Appliance Call 651-454-9215
 - Henn. Co. Transfer Call 612-348-3777
- Batteries (City Hall) Call 763-479-4305
- Clothing
 - Interfaith Outreach Call 952-473-2436
 - Goodwill Call 952-935-2760
- Electronics
 - Henn. Co. Transfer Call 612-348-3777
- Flourescents or HID's
 - Henn. Co. Transfer Call 612-348-3777
- Motor Oil/Oil Filters
 - Ask your local gas station or
 - Henn. Co. Transfer Call 612-348-3777
- Packing Peanuts
 - Most UPS Stores accept
 - Wayzata Mail Center Call 952-475-1602
- Scrap Metal (Perry's) Call 952-473-4898
- Yard Waste
 - NRG in Minnetrista Call 952-446-1056



Cable Problems?

Please call Mediacom direct:
 Customer Service: 800-332-0245 or
 Service/Repair: 800-332--0245

AND

Call Lake Minnetonka Communication
 Commission at 952-471-7125

Garbage and Organics Recycling

Garbage and organic recycling are picked up weekly on Tuesdays. Please have your containers curbside by 7:00 a.m. **Labor Day pickup will be on Wednesday, September 9.**

Recycling

Recycling pickup is every other **Tuesday.**

Upcoming dates are:

September 9th and 22nd*

October 6th and 20th

November 3rd and 17th

December 1st, 15th, & 29th

* = Wed. due to Labor Day

For Recycling bins call 763-972-3335.



City Council

The Loretto City Council meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall. All council meetings are open to the public.

*Wednesday, September 9th**

Tuesday, October 13th

Tuesday, November 10th

Tuesday, December 8th

* = due to Labor Day



The City Minutes— The City of Loretto thanks all the contributors to the 2009 Fun Fest Fireworks!

Fun Fest Schedule

2:00—7:00PM Oliver Tractor Club Show



2:00 -7:00PM Pair-A Dice Cruisers Car Club

All Show car owners are invited to display their cars-please contact Ed Larson at 612-554-6640

2:00—7:00PM Inflatables—Play as long as you wish with your wristband

3:30 -7:00PM Concessions/Clown/Face Painting/Games/Petting Zoo, and more.

3:30—5:00PM Northside vs. Southside Men's Softball Game



4:00—7:00PM Delicious Food available from Axel's and Detour 19

4:00-7:00PM Loretto Lions Money Bingo

4:30 PM K-9 Demonstration (Police Dog Training)

5:00-6:00PM North Memorial Helicopter

5:00- ??? PM Cowabunga Bingo (You have to see this to believe it!) Sponsored by Loretto Fire Dept.

5:30-7:00PM Police vs. Fire Celebrity Softball Challenge

Loretto, Maple Plain, Medina, Corcoran, Hennepin County, West Hennepin



8:00PM FIREWORKS!!! Bring lawn chairs and blankets. Purchase your glow necklaces in the concession stand.

Call City Hall with questions—763-479-4305



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List of Fireworks Contributors as of 8/31/09

Anderson, James & Evelyn
Arens, Rich & Roz
Beckfeld, Rich & Louise
Blanchette, Louella
Bryant, James & Bonnie
Burrows, Harold & Renee
Elsen, Eileen
Ghostley, Charles & Eleanor
Grinnell, Tom & Jan
Hatcher, Rick & Carol
Herbst, Rollie & Donna
Kutz, David & Barbara
Lang, Gordon & Jean
Leuer, Leonard & Alice
Linder, Verna
Oeffling, Nick & Kathleen
Oeffling, Rob & Julie
Rae, Susan
Ristau, Jeff & Jodi
Scanlon, Catholine
Scanlon, Dale & Sue
Schlosser, Duane & Karen
Schmidt, Gordon & Kathleen
Schumacher, Edwin & Mary
Spaulding, Paul & Cindy
Spurzem, Roy & Rosemary
Swenson, Blake & Sara
Van Beusekom, Tom
Van Beusekom, Adrian
Van Beusekom, Tony & Julie
Vosper, Craig & Sara
Weber, Martha
Werbowski, Louise
Wolf, Brian & Cindy
Yager, Don & Lorelie

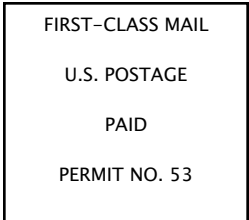
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Antique Clocks
Barb's Daycare
Bobcat of West Metro
Choo Choo Restaurant & Bar
Cutting at the Corner
Dayco
Detour 19
Dobo's Café & Bake Shop
Doboszinski & Sons, Inc.
Ebert Construction
Elite Cleaners
Ingleside Engineering
Integrated Planning Services
International Feed
Jered's Lawn Care
LGV Stables
Loretto Auto Reconditioning
Loretto Fire Dept.
Loretto Lions Club
Loretto Machine, Inc.
Loretto Office Park
Medina Electric
Metropolitan Abstract
Mothers Motors
Our Lady of Loretto Council
Prime Advertising & Design
Quality Lawn Care
Randy's Environmental Services
Shingobee Builders
Tabery Tile
UMC, Inc.
Vinland National Center
Wenck Associates, Inc.
West Hennepin Auto & Tire, Inc.



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Fun Fest Update

The 2009 Fun Fest Committee has been meeting monthly to plan this year's Fun Fest being held on Saturday, September 19. *(See the full schedule in this newsletter.)*

Cowabunga Bingo tickets are for sale at the bank, post office, city hall, and some local businesses. Each ticket is valid for one square on the cow sized bingo board. The plan is to have the cow brought to the area at 5 p.m. and then watch to see what it does! The grid with the biggest volume of the 1st cow pie will be determined the top prize winner! Gotta love it!!! Come and join in on the fun!!

And don't forget the fabulous fireworks! Don't miss all the fun. Come, see, greet your neighbors

Farmers Market Idea

Kayla Altendorf (Loretto Area Resident), presented the idea of a Farmer's Market in Loretto this spring. The proposition was approved by the City Council and she was able to work out a few of the details over the summer. She is looking for someone who would be interested in volunteering to take over the planning and managing of the market as she is away at college.

If you are interested in helping support local farming and encouraging the community to eat locally, this is the project for you!

Kayla can be reached at kraltendorf@csbsju.edu if you are interested in helping her out.

WE NEED YOUR HELP at FUN FEST!

Take tickets

Help with games

Set up/Take down

If you could spare a few hours on Saturday, September 19, to help out, please call City Hall (763-479-4305).

Volunteers must be age 15 or older, please.