



The City Newsletter

News for Loretto City Residents

Special points of interest:

- Loretto Fun Fest - Saturday, September 15
See Flyer inside
- Thank you to Fun Fest donors
- Public Notification System sign-up form
- Election Information



Nov. 6th ~ Leaf & Grass Collection

Randy's will be picking up leaf and grass clippings on Tuesday, November 6th. Please have compostable bags curbside by 6am.

- Brush must be tied in 3" x 3" bundles.
- Plastic bags of yard waste will not be accepted. All yard waste must be in Compostable Bags. This law is to keep black plastic out of composting facilities, which will create an organic waste stream free of plastic.

Please stop by City Hall for your free box of compostable bags, while supplies last!

Residents of Loretto also have access to the City's compost site located at the far west side of Gary's Diesel lot, behind the gray building of Scott's Lawn Care. There is one pile for grass clippings and another for brush. There are security cameras monitoring the location - please do not dump garbage at this site.

Thank you!!

National Fire Prevention Week

The Loretto Fire Department is having an open house on October 13th from 4-8pm to celebrate National Fire Prevention Week, which is October 7-13th.

- Pig Roast Dinner
- Games & Inflatables
- Silent Auction
- Face Painting
- Gonzo the Clown
- ~Free will offering~

Come meet our local Firefighters and tour the Fire Station!



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Recycling News



Update on Changes from Randy's

The City Council recently approved a ten year agreement with Randy's Environmental Services. As part of this agreement Randy's will be introducing single stream recycling and "Blue Bag Organics" recycling to the services it provides to the City of Loretto by replacing the current dual sort recycling and the current organics program.

Single Stream Recycling

Single stream (also known as "single-sort") recycling is a system in which all paper, plastics, metals, glass and other containers are collected together instead of sorted into separate commodities. Randy's will be delivering new rolling recycling carts (brown with tan lids) to Loretto residents.

Blue Bag Organics

This program will replace the current organics recycling program. There will be a new 32 gallon container to replace the current rolling carts for those interested in participating along with a year's supply of compostable Blue Bag Organic can liners. The container will house the organic material in the liner. On trash day, you will pull the liner out, knot it, and place it in your trash cart for collection. Randy's will separate all Blue Bags from the other trash at their facility to go to a composting facility.

This will be a switch from our current organics recycling where it is mandatory. Those choosing not to participate will see a reduction on their monthly recycling bill. Randy's will remove all the current organics carts from residences one week prior to the start of the program. With this change in service, the bi-weekly pick-up option will be eliminated. The minimum level of service will be the 35 gallon cart with weekly pick-up.

Randy's is currently working on a letter to be sent directly to Loretto residents to explain all the details. The anticipated start date has been re-set to early November.

Recycling Incentive Winners

The City of Loretto has an incentive program to encourage recycling. Two families every month who have been spotted recycling will receive a 3 month credit on their recycling bill, a \$15 value.

May Winners:
Brian Sevigny & Aaron Toews

June Winners:
Javier Trujillo & Norm Winter

You could be the next
Lucky Recycler!

Upcoming Recycling Dates

- Sept. 5*, 18
- Oct. 2, 16, 30
- Nov. 13, 27
- Dec. 11, 26*

* Indicates a change in normal pick-up



Upcoming Meetings

All meetings are held at the new 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 cpatnode@ci.loretto.mn.us.

City Council Meetings

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

The next Council meetings:
September 11, October 9th, & November 13th

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.

13th ANNUAL LORETTO FUN FEST



Please bring an item for the food shelf!!

Saturday, September 15, 2012

- ◆ Children activities at the Loretto Lions Park
 - ◆ Inflatables (1-7pm), Rock Climbing Wall (2-7pm), Gonzo the Clown (4-7pm) and MORE!
 - ◆ Medallion Hunt - First clue posted at 1PM at Lions Park Concession Stand
 - ◆ Market and Music on West Railway Street (in front of Axels) 1-7PM
 - ◆ RE/Max Hot Air Balloon - tethered rides (weather permitting-10ys+) @ Baseball field
 - ◆ Fireworks from the Loretto Softball fields @ 8:10PM
 - ◆ Street dance located on West Railway Street 8:30PM-Midnight
- Music by the Irresistibles Sweet Soul Show featuring Mick Sterling**
- ◆ Food available all day long!



Live music starting at 3:00PM-Midnight

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| 3:00-4PM | Ancient Drum |
| 4:10-5:10PM | Local Rhythm |
| 5:15-7:45PM P | rairie Boys |
| 8:10PM | *FIREWORKS* |
| 8:30PM-Midnight | Street Dance : |

The Irresistibles Sweet Soul Show featuring Mick Sterling

Volunteers are still needed!! Please call Loretto City Hall - 763-479-4305



Loretto Fun Fest button needed for entrance to all events. Cost: \$10.00 in advance. Day of event, \$10.00 with food shelf item or \$12.00. Drawing for great prizes with button!

Buttons can be purchased at 21st Century Bank, Axel's Tavern, Loretto Post Office, Koch's Korner, Liquor Depot, Dobo's, Sts Peter and Paul Parish and Loretto City Hall.

Rain date for Fireworks will be September 22nd. Questions? Call Loretto City Hall @763-479-4305.

Thank you

to all those listed below for their donations and support of the 2012 Loretto Fun Fest. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!!

Platinum Donors (\$500 & up):

- 21st Century Bank
- Clark Lohr
- Loretto Lions Club
- Loretto Volunteer Fire Department
- The Lundell Family
- Randy's Environmental Services

Gold Donors (\$100-499.99):

- Bagy Jo, Inc.
- Callies Law, PLLC
- Dan Patnode Concrete
- Detour 19
- DMJ Asphalt, Inc.
- Dvorak Company
- Enigma Excavating
- Tom & Jan Grinnell
- Koch's Korner
- Koecheler Associates - Gary's
- Lano Equipment, Inc.
- Loretto Office Park
- Medina Electric, Inc.
- Mike's Fix-it
- Mothers Motors
- Our Lady of Loretto Knights of Columbus
- Shingobee Builders
- Paul & Cindy Spaulding
- UMC, Inc.
- Thorpe Distributing
- Tom Van Beusekom & Susan Rae
- Wenck Associates, Inc.
- XLDent

Silver Donors (\$50-99.99):

- Jim & Evelyn Anderson
- Antique Clockworks, Ltd.
- Ingleside

Silver Donors continued:

- Bob & Glenna Kramer
- Loretto Auto Recondition
- Photo King
- Nick & Katie Oeffling

Bronze Donors (up to \$49.99):

- Rich & Louise Beckfeld
- Doboszanski & Sons, Inc.
- Juanita & Shannon Flaherty
- Darryl & Cheri Gullickson
- Rick & Carol Hatcher
- Barb & Joe Koch
- Mary Joyce Koch
- Loretto Machine, Inc.
- Jacob & Sarah Shafer
- Lorelie Yager

Donations of Resources:

- 21st Century Bank
- Church of Ss. Peter and Paul
- Cutting at the Corner
- Lano Equipment
- LORAM
- Loretto Liquor Depot
- Loretto Volunteer Fire Department
- Loretto Lions
- Medina Police & Police Reserves
- John & Nancy Nelson
- Our Lady of Loretto Knights of Columbus
- Photo King
- RE/Max
- Snap Fitness
- Thorpe Distributing

Thanks also goes out to the members of the Fun Fest Planning Committee:

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| Ed Belland | Eric Lloyd | Kyle McBride | Bill Rosati | Roy Spurzem |
| Tom Grinnell | Clark Lohr | Shannon Nieman | Sue Scanlon | Nicole West |
| Jeff Kippels | Quentin Lucking | John & Nancy Nelson | Kay Schumacher | Walt White |
| Jeffrey Kordiak | Steve Lundell | Janice Pavlish | Cindy Spaulding | City Staff |

Please accept our apologies if your name/business was overlooked. We greatly appreciate your donation of time, talent, and/or treasure!

Public Notification System

The new public notification system, provided by Swiftreach Networks, is now operational. We are able to add listings to the system at any time. If you haven't already done so, please fill out the information below and drop it off at City Hall to be included in notifications of emergencies as well as informational notifications. This is a private listing - your information will not be shared with any other entities.

Name: _____ Street Address: _____

| Please list in order of importance. (Phone #1 will be the first on your list to receive notification.) | Name (ie. "Home phone", "Mary's cell phone", or "John's work number") | Phone number – please include area code |
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| Phone #1 | | |
| Phone #2 | | |
| Phone #3 | | |
| Phone #4 | | |
| 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 |
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Please return this form to City Hall.

Thank you!

Election News

City of Loretto

Coming up on Tuesday, November 6th, residents of Loretto will be voting for two City Council members and for one Mayor. There are four residents who have filed for candidacy for the City Council positions: Brenda Daniels, Incumbent City Council member Jefferey France, Cari Girk, and Henry (Hank) Pepin. City Council members serve a four year term. There are two residents who have filed for candidacy for the office of Mayor: Incumbent Mayor Kent Koch, and City Council member Clark Lohr. The mayor serves a two year term.

General Elections

Offices on general election ballots statewide include U.S. President/Vice President, U.S. Senator, U.S. Representative, State Senator and State Representative.

Voting will take place between the hours of 7am and 8pm at the Loretto City Council Chambers at 279 North Medina Street (in the Loretto Office Park building). Enter the building using the back/upper parking lot, the door closest to Crestview Lane. The Council Chambers is the second door on the left after you've entered the building. All those 18 years and over are eligible to vote.

For more information on the upcoming elections, visit the Secretary of State website at www.sos.state.mn.us. You may also call City Hall with questions: 763-479-4305.

Candidate Biographies

The following statements were submitted by these candidates. Please watch the city's website (www.ci.loretto.mn.us) for further submissions.

I've lived on Mallard Lane for the past ten years with my husband Chris and our three children ages 12, 7 and 5. For the past year I've been on the Loretto Redevelopment Committee. Our focus has been redeveloping the area left vacant by the apartment fire. I would like to serve on the city council as our town begins to market to, and work with, potential developers. I have a background in residential architecture and design. Loretto is such a great place to live and raise a family. My goal is to make sure that budget decisions and future development are done in the best interest of the city and it's residents.

-Cari Girk

Hello constituents,

I am seeking re-election to a second term to further serve our community as Mayor. I have spent over 24 years living in this great community and have been privileged with the opportunity to serve as Mayor. In my time as Mayor, I have attended various meetings and built some great relationships with other political figures around the neighboring cities, Hennepin County, and the State that I have been able to leverage for the City.

Looking back on my first term, I am proud that I was able to open a compost site for residents within the City. This was at the top of my list when I became elected and through many ideas, determination, and a positive working relationship, it became a reality. I voted to allow an Interim Use Permit at 250 Medina St. N to allow Empire Cycle to open their business in Loretto. The addition of Empire Cycle has been a positive addition to our main road intersecting through the heart of town. I was also instrumental in renewing relationships between the City, the Loretto Community Athletic Association and the Loretto Lion's Club. Earlier this year, a project to repair the 28 year old deteriorating deck at the Arnold Klaers Baseball field was completed. The deck was becoming a liability for the City and these local organizations came together to provide almost all of the financial support. By them stepping up and giving back to the community, they saved tax payer's dollars in this year's budget and in the years to come. This project to me displayed the epitome of how small towns continue to thrive, because local organizations and people came together to achieve a common goal!

I am very concerned about the future decisions that will need to be made for the City of Loretto and I believe that my experience and knowledge of the community will benefit those decisions. It is a very interesting time ahead for our town of 650 people. There are tough decisions ahead for Loretto when it comes to wastewater. At this point in time, the decisions and financial impacts are unknown, but I want to make sure that Loretto is prepared. My future goals for Loretto include keeping the budget flat, as I am advocating for in 2013. By continuing to make wise decisions when it comes to spending and to continue to take advantage of grant opportunities that are available. I pledge to continue to do what is in the best interest of the community. Thank you for your consideration and I would appreciate your vote on November 6th.

Respectfully submitted,

Kent Koch

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Memorial Blood Center Drive

Thursday, October 4th

2:00pm to 8:00pm

Ss. Peter & Paul Parish Center

Call Dan Wise (763-479-3998) to register.

For more information:

www.mbc.org/Donate-Blood/Donate-Blood-Guidelines

Blood Donors Must:

- Be in good health
- Be at least 17 years old
- Weigh at least 110 pounds
- Free of antibiotics for 24 hours - unless taken daily for skin condition
- Symptom-free for at least 3 days following a cold or flu



Meals on Wheels

Meals on Wheels helps people maintain a healthy lifestyle and remain living independently in their homes as long as possible! Volunteers deliver a hot meal at lunchtime, Monday through Friday, also providing a daily safety check and friendly interaction. A \$3.50 contribution is welcome, but no one is turned away if unable to pay.



The City of Loretto is serviced through the Delano Senior Center. For more information please call Gail Sinkel at 763-972-0574.

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 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 event information to the city no later than 2 weeks before the publication.

Contact Mary Kaye Schneider at Loretto City Hall (763-479-4305 or mschneider@ci.loretto.mn.us) to submit your event for publication.