



Prior Lake Recreation



To register and check out all the other activities, call (952) 447-9820 or visit www.cityofpriorlake.com

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SUMMER REGISTRATION

Look for the Prior Lake Recreation summer catalog to hit Prior Lake mailboxes on **March 7**.

Residents not in the City of Prior Lake can request a copy of the catalog at (952) 447-9820 or go online to cityofpriorlake.com (under Recreation Department).



Be My Valentine - Tot & Me Activity



Feb. 11 (Session 1: 10 - 11 a.m.; Session 2: 6:30-7:30 p.m.)

For children 2-6 with an adult. Only the child participating must register and pay. Space limited to 12 children per session. Includes Valentine's Day themed crafts and activities. Dress for the mess.

Cost: \$10/Resident child, \$15/Non-resident child

Deadline: Feb. 9 **April Fools activity Coming April 1**

PARTY IN THE CLUB - New Event Series

The Prior Lake Recreation Department and Prior Lake Library scheduled free winter parties for kids and families. Get out of the house and MOVE at Club Prior. Each winter party includes activities and crafts from 10 - 11 a.m. and a performer from 11 - 11:45 a.m.

Feb. 7: Kids' Zumba with Leah

Feb. 21: The Heebie Jeebies

March 7: Kids' Yoga with Leah

March 21: Moo! Barnyard Boogie with barn dance

For more details, check the web calendars at www.cityofpriorlake.com and www.scottlib.org

CITY OF PRIOR LAKE
4646 Dakota St. SE
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Mayor
Kenneth Hedberg (612) 382-6143
City Council
Richard Keeney (612) 889-7114
Michael McGuire (952) 447-3224
Monique Morton (952) 250-9951
Annette Thompson (952) 496-1104

Council meetings are the second and fourth Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at City Hall

Maintenance Center
(17073 Adelman St. SE)
The Maintenance Center is not open to walk-in traffic. Please call to make appointments.
Public Works: (952) 447-9800

City Manager
Frank Boyles: (952) 447-9801

City Hall
(4646 Dakota Street SE)
General Departments: (952) 447-9800



Club Prior: Prior Lake Library
16210 Eagle Creek Ave. SE Suite 101
Tues - Thurs 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

EVENTS LISTED BELOW ARE FREE. NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Feb. 12 from 2 - 4 p.m. Valentine's Day Dance sponsored by Keystone Communities. Dance to Rat Pack favorites performed by Gary LaRue.

First Thursdays in the Club

A partnership between Scott County Libraries and City of Prior Lake/Club Prior. Partially funded by Minnesota's Arts & Cultural Heritage Fund.

Feb. 5 from 7 - 9 p.m. Enjoy Czech dance tunes with Czech Concertina Club.

March 5 from 7 - 8 p.m. Join the Dean Brewington Jazz Trio, known for mainstream jazz and original tunes.

Senior Resource Workshops

Feb. 18 at 10 a.m. "Understanding Memory Changes with Age." Learn about age-related memory changes and more.

March 19 at 7 p.m. "Taking the Car Keys Away from an Older Driver." Learn to recognize physical and mental warning signs with speaker Jim Tift.

Feb. 25 at 10:30 a.m. "Cash and Kerry." Host Kerry Burnham brings a musical game show with trivia questions and amusing stories. Silly prizes awarded.

Feb. 26 at 7 p.m. "Managing Stress: Principles & Strategies for Health and Well Being." Learn techniques to reduce your stress level with Dr. Mackenzie Stodola.

March 25 at 10 a.m. "Prohibition: A Grand Misadventure" with local historian David Jones.

Police Department
(4649 Dakota St. SE)
Daytime business phone: (952) 440-3555
Emergency 911

Fire Department
(Station No. 1: 16776 Fish Point Rd. SE)
(Station No. 2: 3906 Station Place NW)
Daytime business phone: (952) 440-3473
Emergency 911

The Wavelength

Newsletter of the City of Prior Lake

www.cityofpriorlake.com

Prior Lake: A Wonderful Place To Live, Work and Play for a Lifetime.

Thompson/McGuire Take City Council Oaths of Office



Councilmembers Annette Thompson (left) and Michael "Mike" McGuire (upper, right) were elected to four-year City Council terms last November and took their Oaths of Office from City Attorney Ric Rosow at the beginning of the regularly scheduled City Council meeting on Jan. 12, 2015.

Thompson is new to the Council and McGuire was appointed to a two-year term in 2013. Their terms will expire at the end of 2018. The next City Council election will be November 2016 when the terms of Mayor Ken Hedberg and Councilmembers Richard Keeney and Monique Morton expire at the end of that year. The 2015 City Council is composed of Mayor Ken Hedberg, Councilmembers McGuire, Keeney, Morton and Thompson. The mayor and four councilmembers are the elected policy makers for the City of Prior Lake. They are responsible for adopting and enforcing ordinances, establishing public and administrative policies, appointing the city manager, creating boards and commissions, managing the city's financial operations (including levying taxes, approving a budget, auditing expenditures, and borrowing money) and transacting all other city business as required by law.

Seven Scott County Projects That Will Impact Prior Lake

The Scott County Board of Commissioners approved Scott County's 2015-2019 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) on Dec. 12, 2014. The document details seven projects - mostly street reconstruction or expansion projects - that will impact the Prior Lake area over the next five years. Plans also call for an intersection realignment in the southeast and a trail loop at Spring Lake Regional Park.

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City's New Website Design Goes Live!



The City of Prior Lake unveiled its completely redesigned website at the start of the New Year 2015. The Prior Lake Recreation Department also went online with a new program registration and facility rentals site. This site can be accessed by clicking the blue "Rec" button on the City's homepage. The City's new website design is based on data regarding use of its old website and other government sites along with feedback from citizens, the Communications and Technology Advisory Committee and staff members. Take a peek at both new sites at:

www.cityofpriorlake.com

Prior Lake Changes Up March 28 Easter Egg Hunt

Prior Lake's Annual Easter Eggstravaganza is Saturday, March 28 from 1 - 3 p.m.

at Lakefront Park. The hunt begins precisely at 2:45 p.m., but participants can visit the Easter Bunny or the petting zoo, take pony rides and party to music by Kidsdance beginning at 1 p.m.

At 2:45 p.m., a Prior Lake fire truck will sound notifying children when to collect six eggs. As in previous years, all participants collect eggs at the same time in the same search area in Lakefront Park, with sections roped-off according to age.

Children should look carefully in each egg for a possible golden ticket to exchange for a bigger prize. Participants are encouraged to bring a non-perishable food item for the Scott Dakota CAP Agency Food Shelf.

NOTE: New this year, there will be a \$5 per car fee to park in Lakefront Park for this event.



The Prior Lake Volunteer Fire Department is seeking firefighters. Successful candidates must be at least 18 years of age, have a valid driver's license and live in close proximity to a fire station. For more information, visit www.cityofpriorlake.com under "Jobs."

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Northwest Prior Lake

The Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community (SMSC) requested expansion of County Rd. 83 from County Rd. 82, north to Wilds Pkwy. In 2015, the existing two-lane roadway will be expanded to four-lanes and will include a trail/walkway. Currently, there is no pedestrian/bike trail connection on County Rd. 83 between County Rd. 42 and 82, a missing link in the system. The SMSC will provide about 90-95% of the funding, based on traffic volume.

Also northwest of Prior Lake, but outside the city, a 1.3 mile section of County Rd. 42 will be expanded to four lanes from County Rd. 83 west to County Rd. 17 in 2020. Just to the south, County Rd. 17 will also be expanded to four lanes past County Rd. 82.

Northeast Prior Lake

Traffic studies indicate a poor level of service on County Rd. 42 from Rutgers St. to Quebec Ave. in Savage at Hwy. 13. Scott County plans dual left-turn lanes on County Rd. 42, permanent signals at the intersection with Hwy. 13 and again at Quebec Ave. The project is scheduled for 2017 and includes overlay and a trail/sidewalk.

Downtown Area

To improve access to downtown and reduce congestion, the County Rd. 21 and Hwy. 13 intersection will be reconstructed with turn lanes on County Rd. 21 and receiving lanes on Hwy. 13 in 2019.

The project includes a new signal system, ¾ access at Pleasant Ave. and Hwy. 13, and an improved pedestrian walkway. The County Rd. 21 and Arcadia Ave. intersection will receive improvements and a signal light corresponding with the median closure at Main Ave.

Police to Take Polar Plunge for Special Olympics on Feb. 21

Members of the City of Prior Lake Police Department and other staff are participating in the Prior Lake Polar Bear Plunge on



Saturday, Feb. 21 at noon at Sand Point Beach, 14349 Crest Ave. in Prior Lake. The event benefits athletes of Special Olympics Minnesota. For more information or to make a donation, visit the Prior Lake Polar Bear Plunge webpage.

MORE INFORMATION:
www.plungemn.org/events/prior-lake/

Southeast Prior Lake

An intersection realignment is planned for 2023 for County Rd. 21 with County Rd. 87 and 170th St. in east Prior Lake to improve safety and mobility. The two "T" intersections will be realigned into a full access intersection.

Southwest Prior Lake

Lastly, the City of Prior Lake, the SMSC, the Prior Lake-Spring Lake Watershed District and Scott County will cooperate on construction of a trail loop in the Arctic Lake area of Spring Lake Regional Park in 2015. The trail will include a water control structure/trail crossover and each agency will assist with funding.

For more information about these and other projects, visit www.co.scott.mn.us, under "Roads and Transportation."

City Code Reminders:

Pet Care, Licensing and Vaccinations

The beginning of the year is a great time to obtain or renew your pet license/s. The best tip for making sure your pet is safe and quickly returned is to have it collared and licensed with the City. It is the responsibility of the owner to prevent their pet/s from creating a nuisance to the surrounding public. Remember to keep your pet restrained and don't forget to leash and pick up any waste. The City ordinance provides that no more than three dogs or cats, or a combination thereof, may occupy a dwelling unit, and every dog and cat over three months old must be licensed with the City and vaccinated against rabies. The fee for pets that have been spayed or neutered is \$15, and the fee for non-spayed/neutered pets is \$25. Your pet's license will be valid until Dec. 31 of the following year. For more information or to download a pet license application visit www.cityofpriorlake.com or call (952) 447-9800. For more information, refer to City Ordinance Section 802 for city regulations concerning dogs and cats.

TO REPORT VIOLATIONS:
Code Enforcement
Officer Dale Stefanisko
(952) 447-9811



Clearing Driveways and Sidewalks

The ordinance requires property owners to clear snow from their driveways and sidewalks adjacent to the property. This is to provide a clear path for pedestrians and children walking to school. You may have to clear the driveway a second time after your street has been plowed. **Placing, plowing or shoveling snow in the sidewalk or street is prohibited.**

Environmentally-Friendly Cost-Effective Measures Keep Prior Lake Roads Safe

The City of Prior Lake has an abundance of natural beauty surrounding its community and the health of its lakes and natural areas is important all year around.

Salt used to de-ice roads, sidewalks and driveways contains high concentrations of chloride which, even in small amounts, can have serious and permanent impacts on local water bodies. Excess chloride changes the concentration of salt in water and can harm aquatic plants and fish. Infrastructure problems from corroding road surfaces, bridges and vehicles also increases maintenance costs.

The Prior Lake Public Works Department has taken innovative steps to reduce the amount of chloride entering local waters. Seventy-eight percent of all salt applied to roadways stays within a local watershed. The city uses a mixture of 23% salt solution and an environmentally-friendly product with anti-icing properties made from beet juice or molasses to pre-treat roads and sidewalks to prevent ice from forming. By using this mixture, the city has reduced the amount of salt exposure to the environment by 77%.

To learn more about water pollution, visit the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency website at www.pca.state.mn.us/r0pgb86. Snow plows also play an important role in preventing ice formation. Since public safety is the city's number one priority, during periods of significant snowfall, snow plows are available 24 hours a day. During smaller snow events, the city plows roads as soon as the snow stops falling. Quick removal of snow from city streets prevents vehicles from compacting snow to street surfaces and prevents ice from forming. Learn more about winter street maintenance by visiting www.cityofpriorlake.com/winter-street-maintenance.php.



Technology Village Seeks Start-Up Businesses

Do you have a small, emerging technology business that you are looking to take to the next level? Since its start in 2013, Prior Lake's Technology Village Business Accelerator has been working to support these businesses located in or looking to locate in Prior Lake. With multiple support services and professional office environment, the Technology Village program offers emerging technology businesses the support and assistance needed to nurture and accelerate their growth potential.

The City of Prior Lake Technology Village program currently has six program participants, focused on software development, graphic design, mobile app development, and e-commerce. The Technology Village Board of Directors anticipates adding two or three more businesses in 2015.

Technology Village provides affordable and customizable leases for emerging technology businesses. In addition to a rent structure that escalates from below-market to a market rate over three years, program participants receive development assistance, network support, and free business advisory services. In addition, participants have access to conference rooms, office equipment, education programs, and networking opportunities with other entrepreneurs and community organizations.

According to the Board of Directors Chair, Gerry Hughes, "The success of this Technology Village program is providing a benefit to the community through greater economic development activity, new employment opportunities and increased entrepreneurialism."

If you would like your business to be considered for inclusion in the Prior Lake Technology Village Business Accelerator, contact Dan Rogness at drogness@cityofpriorlake.com or (952) 447-9813. You can also connect on LinkedIn at Technology Village Business Accelerator.



Community Garden Plots Available For Returning Gardeners

Rented in 2014? Reserve the same plot/same size by Feb. 28!



Call (952) 447-9820 or Walk In

Plots not rented by March 1 are open to the public.

CO-ED SAND VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE

Wednesday evenings at Sand Point Beach



Returning Teams Can Register Now.

\$105 PER TEAM

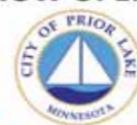


More info call (952) 447-9823 or email kkes@cityofpriorlake.com



SUMMER LEAGUES NOW OPEN

To Register visit cityofpriorlake.com
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Post me on the fridge!

The Wavelength Event Calendar

Winter Farmers Market

The Prior Lake Winter Farmers Market is from 9 a.m. to noon at City Hall on Feb. 14, March 14 and April 11.

Feb. 16 *City Offices Closed for Presidents Day.* Offices will reopen Tuesday, Feb. 17.

Feb. 21 *Prior Lake Polar Plunge* at noon at Sand Point Beach in Prior Lake. Visit www.plungemn.org for more information.

March 7 *Recreation Registration Opens* Catalogs mailed to residents and available on the City website at cityofpriorlake.com.

March 28 *Easter Eggstravaganza* From 1 - 3 p.m. at Lakefront Park For information, call (952) 447-9820.

April 1 *April Fools Tot & Me Activity* Deadline to register is March 30. Click on "Rec" online at www.cityofpriorlake.com.

MORE INFORMATION:
www.cityofpriorlake.com
www.cityofpriorlake.com/long-calendar.php

Mommy and Son Superhero Spectacular

For Moms and Sons Ages 3 and Up



Deadline: Feb. 9

Saturday Feb. 21 from 6:30-9 p.m.

Moms and superhero sons can register with the Prior Lake Recreation Department (see page 4) for an evening of fun at Brunswick Zone in Lakeville. Enjoy two slices of pizza, a soda, shoe rental, an hour of bowling and an hour of activities and crafts. Dress up like a superhero. Your craft project includes decorating a superhero cape and mask!
Cost: \$35/resident child and adult; \$40/non-resident and adult; \$20/additional resident child; \$25/additional non-resident child.