



# Prior Lake Recreation



To register and check out all the other activities, call (952) 447-9820 or visit [www.priorlakerecreation.com](http://www.priorlakerecreation.com)



Prior Lake Recreation invites you to join us for fun trips throughout the summer! Trips meet at the Lakefront Park Pavilion, 5000 Kop Pkwy. in Prior Lake, unless otherwise indicated. Bring a bag lunch unless otherwise indicated. Watch for note requirements such as height restrictions, clothing and age. All required trip waivers @ priorlakerecreation.com.

## YOUTH TRIPS

### Aug. 18 - Como Zoo and Como Park Pool

Explore the Como Zoo Conservatory and the splash pool with waterslides and basketball hoops, lazy river, aquatic climbing wall, zip line and lap pool. Don't forget to wear your sunscreen! Bring swimsuit and towel.

**Who:** Children ages 6+ **When:** Aug. 18, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
**Cost:** \$12/Resident; \$17/Non-resident **Deadline:** Aug. 15 at 4 p.m.

### Aug. 19 - Horseback Riding at River Valley Ranch \*waiver required

Enjoy an hour-long trail ride through the woods on horseback with a picnic and crafts. Wear long pants and closed toed shoes.

**Who:** Children 55" or taller **When:** Aug. 19, 10:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.  
**Cost:** \$35/Resident; \$40/Non-resident **Deadline:** Aug. 15 at 4 p.m.

### Aug. 20 - Action Packed Paintball Trip \*waiver required

Action Packed Paintball will provide gear and 500 paintballs for each participant, rain or shine. Participants must wear long pants, long-sleeved shirt and closed toed shoes.

**Who:** Children ages 10+ **When:** Aug. 20, 10 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.  
**Cost:** \$45/Resident; \$50/Non-resident **Deadline:** Aug. 15 at 4 p.m.

### Aug. 21 - Brunswick Bowling and Grand Slam \*waiver required

Bowl for an hour then travel to Grand Slam for a hotdog and soda lunch and three hours of unlimited play on the X-treme Trampoline, mini golf, laser tag, crazy kars, and batting cages.

**Who:** Children Ages 6+ **When:** Aug. 21, 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.  
**Cost:** \$30/Resident; \$35/Non-resident **Deadline:** Aug. 15 at 4 p.m.

### Sept. 25 - James and the Giant Peach at Stages Theatre

**Who:** Child with an adult  
**When:** Sept. 25, 9 a.m. - noon  
**Where:** Bus arrives/departs Lakefront Park Pavilion.  
**Cost:** \$15/Resident; \$20/Non-resident **Deadline:** Sept. 10 at 4:30 p.m.  
\*Each person attending must register and pay\*

## FAMILY TRIP

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

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



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

### Root Beer Floats

Enjoy a cool treat at Club Prior on Thursday, Aug. 7, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

### Stronger Bones; A Stronger You

Instructor Jayne Kane, a licensed physical therapist, focuses on exercises on Wednesday, Aug. 20, at 11 a.m. in a free, one-hour class packed with tips that promote bone health and reduce injury. Presented by Superior Health Care in Lakeville.

### Got a Life Plan?

Learn about wills, trusts, executors, power of attorney, etc. on Tuesday, Sept. 16 at 11 a.m. or 7 p.m. by Huemoeller and Gontarek, PLC, Scott County Veteran Services and Ballard and Sunder Funeral and Cremation.

### Free Brain-building Nutrition Class

Learn how nutrition supports good moods, memory and concentration on Tuesday, Sept. 30 from 10 - 11 a.m. Limited space. Presented by Nutritional Weight & Wellness. Funded by the Prior Lake Lions Club.

### Life Could Be a Dream - Old Log Theater

This play incorporates hit songs of the '60s on Wednesday, Oct. 15 from 10:45 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Price: \$56 Resident/\$61 Non-resident. Includes bus/lunch. Limited space. Deadline Tuesday, Sept. 16.

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



**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

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## Lakefront Days Celebration is Aug. 7 - 9 at Lakefront Park

This year is the 31st Annual Lakefront Days Celebration with three fun-filled days of activities that features large groups converging on beautiful Lakefront Park. The theme is "Thirty-one is Still So Fun."

Expect great summer weather and a festive atmosphere. Many of last year's favorite fun activities return including the annual parade, fireworks, live music, food, a wine tasting, inflatables for the kids, 5K Fun Run and

much more. Some new things to enjoy for the whole family include boat tours of Prior Lake, geocaching, new remote control boats and more. Now in its 13th year, the 2014 Prior Lake Medallion Hunt is underway with clues presented every Saturday and Wednesday at 8 a.m.

**MORE INFORMATION:**  
[plmedallionhunt.blogspot.com](http://plmedallionhunt.blogspot.com)  
[www.lakefrontdays.com](http://www.lakefrontdays.com)



## Mayor's Article Looks at How City is Actively Helping Those Impacted by Flooding

In Prior Lake Mayor Ken Hedberg's most recent news article, *Flood Stories*, he takes a look at this summer's flooding of streets and homes in areas around Prior Lake and Spring Lake, and writes how the City, residents and volunteers have responded as a community. Hedberg also discusses how the City has made flooding

its top priority and joined with community volunteers from every corner of the city to aid affected residents. He adds that he will do everything he can to ensure the city takes every step necessary to secure its future.

**MORE INFORMATION:**  
[www.cityofpriorlake.com/mayors\\_columns.php](http://www.cityofpriorlake.com/mayors_columns.php)

## Local BlueXpress Transit Service to Offer State Fair Express Rides

BlueXpress - Prior Lake and Shakopee's transit service - is offering express bus service on Saturdays, Sundays and Labor Day to the 2014 Minnesota State Fair in St. Paul. Buses depart once per hour from the Marschall Road Transit Station, 1615 Weston Court, in Shakopee.



- Buses depart station hourly, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Buses depart the Fairgrounds hourly, 2 p.m. to midnight.

**MORE INFORMATION:**  
[www.blueexpressbus.com](http://www.blueexpressbus.com)  
(952) 496-8800.



**A Picture of Cooperation:** Five local organizations including the Prior Lake Chamber of Commerce, P.L.A.Y., Prior Lake Soccer, the Prior Lake Hockey Association and Prior Lake Rotary paid for the vast majority of the construction materials and are using storage in the new Lakefront Storage Building. The city contributed the know-how and personnel to complete the construction. Virtually every city department played a role in making this building a reality.



## Prior Lake's 31st Annual Lakefront Days Aug. 7 - 9



[www.lakefrontdays.com](http://www.lakefrontdays.com)

## Discount Renaissance Tickets Available

The tickets can be purchased at the Recreation Department downstairs at City Hall. The festival is open weekends from Aug. 16 - Sept. 26. Cash or Check only. Adults: \$18; Children ages 5-12: \$11 Food coupon books: \$5



**Yard Sale Sign Placement**

- **Not** in the street right-of-way
- Place signs on the building side of curbs & sidewalks with permission from the property owner
- More than 50 feet from corners
- **Not** on utility poles or street lights
- **Not** on public property, such as parks or City buildings
- May be displayed 7 days prior to the sale
- Must be removed immediately after the sale

More info? See [www.cityofpriorlake.com](http://www.cityofpriorlake.com) or call 952.447.9811

**Don't Add Phosphorous To the Lakes**

**KEEPING GRASS OFF THE STREETS**

**BACK TO THE LAWN**

## Avoid Over-watering Your Lawn and Save Money

It is easy to let hard-earned money evaporate by over-watering your lawn. Most established lawns need only one inch of water each week. Avoid setting automatic systems to water this amount every other day – a deep soaking once per week is much more effective than more frequent watering because it promotes better root development. Keep your grass between 2" and 3" to provide natural shade that will help the soil stay moist. Leaving some grass clippings on the lawn will help to retain even more moisture.



Water use can be up to five times higher in the summer than in the winter and this increased use is mainly due to lawn irrigation. Conservation efforts help to even the use of municipal water during the day so water towers can still serve peak water demands, fires, or other emergencies. Water conservation also helps to delay investments into costly new infrastructure that increase the water rates we all pay.

- The following items are exempt from odd-even and day time watering restrictions:
1. Hand held hose watering of vegetable/flower gardens, flower pots, hanging baskets, car washing and general use of power washers.
  2. Newly seeded or laid sod, with the application and inspection of watering permit (visit [www.cityofpriorlake.com/documents/SprinklingPermitForm.pdf](http://www.cityofpriorlake.com/documents/SprinklingPermitForm.pdf) to view and print the permit form).
  3. Private well for irrigation or residents pumping from the Lake.

City watering restrictions will be enforced through the end of the summer. City ordinance allows watering as follows:

1. Even house numbers may water on even numbered calendar days before 10 a.m. and after 5 p.m.
2. Odd house numbers may water on odd numbered calendar days before 10 a.m. and after 5 p.m.

**MORE INFORMATION:**  
[www.cityofpriorlake.com](http://www.cityofpriorlake.com)  
 Utility Billing Department at (952) 447-9843 or (952) 447-9844.

## Utility E-billing: A Convenient, Eco-friendly Option

What is environmentally friendly (saves trees), saves on postage costs and is a quick and easy payment method? E-billing.

### What is E-billing?

- E-billing allows you to view your City of Prior Lake Utility bills online and make payments using a credit / debit card, electronic check, or ACH electronic debit.
- Once you've subscribed to E-billing, you'll no longer receive a paper bill in the mail. You'll be notified by email each time a new bill is ready to view. You can log in with a user name and password and view your current bills, and two years of billing and payment history.
- This system is completely paperless and provides you with the convenience of electronic payments. There is no additional charge associated with using the e-Bill service to view and pay your bills using electronic checks or ACH. A small fee applies when using debit/credit cards.

### What is E-payment?

E-payment allows you to pay your utility bill online, or by phone, using an electronic check or a debit/credit card. Currently over 56% of residents are paying their bill electronically as shown in the graph.

Type of Payment	2014
ACH	28%
PSN E-payments	7%
Other Electronic payments	21%
Cash/Checks	38%
Other	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>100%</b>

Help our cost-saving efforts to GO GREEN.  
If you pay by ACH you must still sign up to receive electronic bills. You are not automatically signed up.

**MORE INFORMATION:**  
[www.cityofpriorlake.com](http://www.cityofpriorlake.com)

## City Code Reminders:

### Building and Structure Appearance and Maintenance Requirements



**609.301:** All building and structure exteriors shall be maintained in good repair, structurally sound and in a sanitary condition so as not to pose a threat to the public health, safety or welfare of other property owners.

**609.302:** All buildings shall have complete siding. Every exterior wall shall be free of holes, breaks, loose or rotting boards or timbers, or falling or loose stucco or brick with an area of one square foot to prevent vermin, mold, rot, deterioration and other structural damage and to protect the value of properties.

**609.304:** All doors, windows, and gutters shall be operable and maintained in good repair, shall fit within their frames and shall be free of open breaks or holes in order to prevent vermin, mold, rot, deterioration and other structural damage, to maintain energy conservation, and to protect the value of properties.

**Code Enforcement Officer Dale Stefanisko**  
(952) 447-9811

**609.305:** Fences, retaining walls and landscaping shall be maintained so as to prevent health hazards, or unsafe conditions.

**1107.1909: Maintenance Standards**  
All cultivated landscape areas shall be maintained to present a healthy, neat and orderly area, including:  
- Maintain a healthy, pest free condition.  
- Remove dead, diseased or dangerous trees or shrubs.  
- Mowing and/or removal of noxious weeds and grasses.  
- Remove trash and other debris.  
- Watering to ensure plant growth and survival.

## Post me on the fridge!

## The Wavelength Event Calendar

**Saturdays Farmer's Market**  
from 8 a.m. - noon on Main Ave. between Hastings and Dakota St.

**Aug. 1 Free Summer Beach Party**  
at Sand Point Beach from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.



**Aug. 5 Night to Unite**

Prior Lake Police Officers and Firefighters attend block parties from 6 - 9 p.m.  
Call (952) 440-3555 for information.



**Aug. 22 Last Free Summer Beach Party**  
at Sand Point Beach from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

**Sept. 1 City Offices Closed**  
For Labor Day. Offices will reopen Tuesday, Sept. 2.

**Sept. 7 Annual Chicken BBQ**  
Prior Lake Fire Department's 35th Annual Fundraiser at Prior Lake VFW from 3 - 8 p.m.

**Sept. 15 Fall Community Fest**  
at Prior Lake High School from 6 - 8:30 p.m.

**Oct. 11 Autumn Gathering**  
Includes pony and wagon rides, pumpkin painting, live music and more from 1 - 3 p.m.

**MORE INFORMATION:**  
[www.cityofpriorlake.com](http://www.cityofpriorlake.com)  
[www.cityofpriorlake.com/long\\_calendar.php](http://www.cityofpriorlake.com/long_calendar.php)