



Prior Lake Recreation

To register and check out all the other activities, call (952) 447-9820 or visit www.cityofpriorlake.com
Weather Hotline: (952) 447-9825

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You and Me Pumpkin Party

Pumpkin Party activities and crafts on Oct. 14 from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.
Where: Club Prior - 16210 Eagle Creek Ave., Prior Lake, MN 55372
Cost: \$10/Resident Child; \$15/Non-Resident Child
Deadline: Oct. 7

You and Me Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving activities and crafts on Nov. 4 from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.
Where: Club Prior - 16210 Eagle Creek Ave., Prior Lake, MN 55372
Cost: \$10/Resident Child; \$15/Non-Resident Child
Deadline: Oct. 28.

Free DecemBRRR Dazzle Dec. 4

Santa and a few of his reindeer, ice carving demonstration, a giant bonfire and much more at Lakefront Park Dec. 4 from 6 - 8:30 p.m.



ADULT YOGA

Hatha Yoga combines flexibility, strength, and balance practices while also reducing stress and tension with instructor Lindsay Wilkerson on Wednesdays from 6 - 7 p.m.
Oct. 7, 14 and 28 (\$20/Resident, \$25/Non Res.)

Nov. 4, 11 and 18 (\$15/Resident, \$20/Non Res.)

Dec. 2, 9, and 16 (\$15/Resident, \$20/Non Res.)

Who: Anyone 18+
Where: Club Prior Community Room
Registration required.



Club Prior at the Prior Lake Library
16210 Eagle Creek Ave. SE, Suite 101.
Tuesdays – Thursdays, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
(952) 447-9783

Latin Fusion Fitness

This free dance fitness class incorporates simple moves and exciting music from Latin America and around the world
Wednesdays, Oct. 7, 14, 21, 28, Nov. 4 and 18 from 9:15 – 10 a.m.

Free Introduction to Yoga

Includes basic poses that increase flexibility, strength and balance and proper alignment on Tuesday afternoons
October 13, 20, 27 at 1 p.m.

First Thursdays in the Club

Live music the first Thursday of the month (Nov.-March) Kickoff is Latin Danceteria with Salsa del Soul on Thursday, Nov. 5.
Instruction: 6:15-6:45 p.m., Live music and casual dance 7-9 p.m.

FREE PRESENTATIONS - No reg. required
Honoring Choices: Thursday, Oct. 15 from 7 - 8:30 p.m.

Grief, Loss, Transition and Downsizing:
Wednesday, Oct. 21, at 7 p.m.

Understanding Medicare:
Wednesday, Oct. 28 at 1 p.m.

The Armistice Day Blizzard: Tuesday, Nov. 3 at 1 p.m. by Dan Hartman.

Caring for the Caregiver: Tuesday, Nov. 10 from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Old Log Field Trip: The Wedding Singer
Nov. 18. Price \$70. Deadline: Nov. 3. For more information, contact Club Prior.

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

Maintenance Center
(17073 Adelmann St. SE)
Maintenance Center Hours: 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Please call to make an appointments
Public Works (952) 447-9896

The Wavelength

Oct./Nov. '15

City of Prior Lake logo and social media icons for Facebook and Twitter.

Newsletter of the City of Prior Lake

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Emerald Ash Borer Detection Prompts Community Forum



The Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA) confirmed an Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) infestation in Prior Lake on Tuesday, Aug. 25. As a result, the City of Prior Lake is hosting a community forum on **Thursday Oct. 15, at 6:30 p.m.** in the Parkview Community Room at City Hall, 4646 Dakota St. SE in Prior Lake. The infested tree was detected through a call to the MDA's Arrest the Pest information phone line from a resident. Because of this find, Scott County is now under an emergency quarantine and eventually join Anoka, Chisago, Dakota, Fillmore, Hennepin, Houston, Olmsted, Ramsey and Winona counties in a state and federal quarantine. The quarantine helps prevent EAB from spreading outside a known

infested area by limiting the movement of any items that may be infested with EAB, including ash trees and ash tree limbs, as well as ALL hardwood firewood. EAB is an insect that attacks and kills ash trees and is spread through the transport of firewood. The adults are small, iridescent green beetles that live outside of trees during the summer months. The larvae are grub or worm-like and live underneath the bark. Emerald Ash Borer larvae kill ash trees by tunneling under the bark and feeding on the part of the tree that moves nutrients up and down the trunk. The biggest risk of spreading EAB comes from people unknowingly moving firewood or other ash products harboring larvae.



Free Autumn Gathering is Oct. 10

The City of Prior Lake Recreation Department is hosting its annual Autumn Gathering event on Saturday, Oct. 10 at Lakefront Park from 10 a.m. to noon. The celebration will include live music by American Bootleg and other fun family activities including pumpkin bowling, pumpkin painting, concessions for sale and a kids pedal tractor pull for ages 4 - 11 near the gazebo, registration at 9:45 a.m.

MORE INFORMATION:
www.cityofpriorlake.com

Street Runoff Drains to Ponds, Lakes and Rivers: Keep It Clean

Grass clippings and leaves contain phosphorus, the nutrient that can turn our surface waters (ponds, lakes and rivers) green with algae. When you mow and rake your lawn this fall, help protect our surface water resources by keeping grass clippings, leaves, soil and other material off the streets. When it rains, the water that doesn't soak into the ground becomes runoff that drains onto streets from connected impervious surfaces such as driveways and rooftops. The streets then carry this runoff into the storm sewer system – the City's network of curb/gutter, inlets, pipes, stormwater ponds and outlets. The storm sewer system serves to protect public safety (street drainage) while also providing some water quality treatment before runoff enters surface waters. Grass clippings and leaves lose their phosphorus as they break down. If they are allowed to wash into our storm sewer system, excess phosphorus will enter our surface waters and



contribute to excessive algae growth. Excess algae growth makes water-related activities like boating, fishing, and swimming much less enjoyable.

Prior Lake, Savage, Credit River and Spring Lake Township residents can compost leaves and grass clippings on their property or bring the material to the Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community (SMSC) Organic Recycling Facility in Shakopee.

The SMSC Organic Recycling Facility is 1.4 miles north of County Rd. 42 on County Rd. 83 at 1905 Canterbury Rd. in Shakopee, 952-403-7030.

The facility is available for residents Monday - Saturday, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. for a minimum \$5 drop-off fee. Residents can drop off compost material for free on Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. during September and October. Plant waste is accepted including leaves, grass clippings, sod, brush, branches, and logs less than 10 feet long.

MORE INFORMATION:
www.cleanwatermn.org
www.smscorf.com

MVTA has Additional Routes in Prior Lake

Minnesota Valley Transit Authority (MVTA) has been operating transit service in Prior Lake and Shakopee since Jan. 1 and the "BlueXpress" name has been retired.

Route 490 begins in Prior Lake and now offers three trips that continue directly to the University of Minnesota. Reverse-commute service continues on Route 491 and 492.

Additionally, Route 493 was added earlier this year serving the Marschall Road Transit Station in Shakopee with service to/from downtown Minneapolis.

Contact the MVTA at 952-882-7500 or at www.mvta.com where you can plan trips, check schedules or see exactly where the bus is along its route.

SMSC Compost Site Free Each Saturday Through October

The Shakopee Mdwakanton Sioux Community (SMSC) Organic Recycling Facility (ORF) is available for township, Prior Lake and Savage residents to access from Monday - Saturday, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. for a minimum \$5 drop-off fee.

Through October (and again in April and May), residents can drop off compost material for **FREE** on Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The site is 1.4 miles north of County Rd. 42 on County Rd. 83 at 1905 Canterbury Rd. in Shakopee. Look for the "Organic Recycling Facility" sign on the east side of County Rd. 83.

Plant waste is accepted including leaves, grass clippings, sod, brush, branches, and logs less than 10 feet in length. For more information, call (952) 403-7030 or visit the ORF website at www.smscorf.com.

DID YOU KNOW?

That Prior Lake continues to grow in population, households and employment!

POPULATION/HOUSEHOLD/EMPLOYMENT FORECASTS
PRIOR LAKE, MINNESOTA
By the Metropolitan Council

2014 Estimates:

Population = 24,911
Households = 9,041



Fire Department Open House Oct. 8

Area residents are encouraged to attend the Prior Lake Fire Station Open House on Thursday, Oct. 8 from 5:30 to 8 p.m. at Fire Station #2, 3906 Station Place NW.

The event will include fire truck rides, fire hose spray, smoke house survival demonstrations and much more. The open house is part of Fire Prevention Week, Oct. 4 to 10.

Visit www.fpw.org to learn more about testing your smoke alarms regularly and more.



Winter Parking Restrictions Begin Nov. 1

It takes a combination of equipment, manpower, hard work and planning to remove snow and ice from winter roads, and there is no crystal ball for predicting when a winter storm will hit.

To plow streets in a safe and timely manner during the harsh Minnesota winters the city needs your assistance. Residents are prohibited from parking vehicles on any street between 2 a.m. to 6 a.m. from Nov. 1 and March 31 so that the City can promptly and efficiently remove snow. Any vehicle parked in violation of the winter parking ordinance may be towed at a cost of \$200 or more. To avoid sod damage from plows, curb markers are available to residents from City Hall. Up to eight orange stakes can be picked up at either City Hall or the Maintenance Center at no charge. Placing these along your curblines helps direct the plow operator when the snow is covering the curb.



	Census 2000	Census 2010	Forecast 2020	Forecast 2030	Forecast 2040
POPULATION	15,917	22,796	27,500	33,900	40,500
Annual Change		688	470	640	660
HOUSEHOLDS	5,645	8,447	10,500	13,100	15,700
Annual Change		280	205	260	260
PERSONS/HOUSEHOLD	2.82	2.70	2.62	2.59	2.58
EMPLOYMENT		7,766	9,000	11,000	12,100
Annual Change			125	200	110

Keep Property Safe During the Winter Months

It's not too early to keep your property safe from damage during the winter. The City will pay for damaged mailboxes only if City equipment hits it. Damage resulting from piling snow is the responsibility of the property owner/resident. If your box is damaged by City equipment, call 952-447-9800. Proper mailbox installation information can be found online at cityofpriorlake.com. The City assumes no responsibility for damage to underground irrigation systems in the right-of-way or easements. Curb markers are available free to residents at City Hall. Also, boulevard sod damage will be inspected by City staff to determine responsibility by City equipment. Repairs are made in the spring. Garbage/Recycling Containers left out for pickup must be located in the driveway of the resident. Containers left on the roadway has the potential to cause future drainage issues due to the inability to clean to the curb line.

City Code Reminders:

Before snow arrives, this is a great time to remove any items that may have accumulated during the summer, and the best place to start is one's own property. Also, while out in the community, please pick up and dispose of trash you might find. These efforts will help keep our beautiful community clean.

To report code violations:
Code Enforcement
Officer Dale Stefanisko
(952) 447-9811

1102.700: Recreational Equipment Storage

Currently licensed and operable WINTER recreational equipment, including fish houses, may be parked on or adjacent to a driveway on a lot from Nov. 1 to April 1 each year. Currently licensed and operable SUMMER recreational equipment may be parked on or adjacent to a driveway on a lot from April 1 to Nov. 1 each year. At all other times, recreational equipment shall be stored in the rear or side yard and set back a minimum of five feet from the rear or side yard.

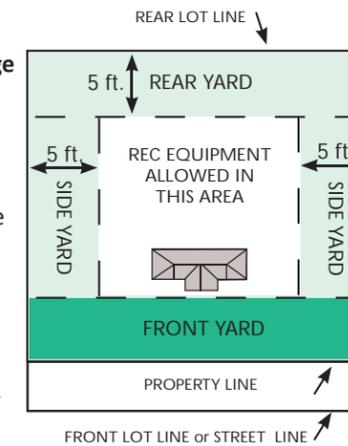
No recreational equipment may be parked in "R" Use Districts that do not have ownership between the equipment and any family member occupying the property. A rental house is only allowed storage of recreational equipment owned by those renting the principal structure. This ordinance does not apply to vehicles designed for road use. These vehicles should remain on the driveway and should not be stored in the yard area at any time of the year.

For riparian (lake) lots without a principal structure, recreational equipment shall be located between the ordinary high water elevation and a line no more than 30 feet from the ordinary high water elevation, and no less than five feet from the side lot line. **More information (including a downloadable flier) is available online at www.cityofpriorlake.com/building.php.**

Reminders: It is against city code to dump or blow leaves, yard waste or grass clippings onto the street, natural buffers areas or other public property.

609.504: No firewood shall be stored in the front yard. No firewood shall be stored within five (5) feet of any rear or side property line unless the wood is stored in an accessory structure meeting all required structure setbacks.

609.505: The firewood stacks shall not be allowed to become infested with rats, rodents, or vermin, or stacked in a manner that presents a hazard by virtue of collapse.



Post me on the fridge!

The Wavelength Event Calendar

Downtown Farmers Market

The Prior Lake Farmers Market is Saturdays from 8 a.m. to noon until mid-October.



Oct. 8 **Prior Lake Fire Station Open House**
at Prior Lake Fire Station No. 2 from 5:30 - 8 p.m.



Oct. 10 **Autumn Gathering**
Pumpkin painting, live music and more from 10 a.m. - noon

Nov. 3 **Election Day**
Vote in the general election from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Nov. 11 **City Offices Closed**
For Veteran's Day. Offices will reopen Thursday, Nov. 12.

Nov. 26 - Nov. 27 **City Offices Closed**
For Thanksgiving Holiday. Offices will reopen Monday, Nov. 30.

Dec. 4 **Decembrrr Dazzle**
at Lakefront Park from 6- 8:30 p.m.

MORE INFORMATION:
www.cityofpriorlake.com
www.cityofpriorlake.com/long_calendar.php