



City Newswire

Prior Lake Clean Up Day is June 6

The City of Prior Lake has designated Saturday, June 6 as official Lake Clean Up Day. On that day lakeshore owners are asked to clean their own beach area and residents are asked to clean or adopt a city park or beach. As part of activities, the 4th annual "Dive the Lake" event is June 6 at 8 a.m. at Captain Jacks. For more information click on the [Prior Lake Association](#) website.

Prior Lake In Midst of Moderate Drought

The [U.S. Drought Monitor](#) currently has the Prior Lake area under the D1-Moderate Drought category. Just to the east is classified as severe. The June '08 to June '09 precipitation deficit is between six and eight inches in Scott County. As of Friday, June 5 the level of Prior Lake was 899.95 feet; the first time it's dropped below 900.00 since Feb. 25, 1992 when it was 899.77. For more information, click on the [Prior Lake Water Resources Web page](#). Click [here for current and historic lake levels and information from the Prior Lake-Spring Lake Watershed District](#). Click [here for a 2009 drought overview](#).

City Soliciting Names for New Community Garden

The City of Prior Lake is soliciting applications for naming the new community gardens in conjunction with the City's policy for naming public places. Applications can be obtained by contacting [Charlotte Green](#) or [Kelly Meyer](#). The naming application deadline is Friday, June 26 at 4:30 p.m. Registration for plots is now open through the Prior Lake Recreation Department at city hall at (952) 447-9820. Click [here to download the rules and registration forms](#). The rental fee for a plot is \$35 for residents (\$50 for non residents). For more information, download this [Community Garden News Release](#).

Primary Seat Belt Law/ Booster Update

Minnesota's seat belt law is a primary offense, meaning drivers and passengers in all seating positions must be buckled up or in the correct child restraint effective June 9, 2009. Law enforcement can stop motorists for seat belt violations. A seat belt ticket is \$25 but usually costs more than \$100 with administrative fees. This law is critical to road safety — each year around 200 motorists killed are unbelted and more than 400 are seriously injured. Also, a child cannot use a seat belt alone until they are age 8 or 4 feet 9 inches tall effective July 1, 2009. Children must be fastened in a child safety seat that meets federal safety standards.

PAC Seeks Input on Ryan Park Hours

The Parks Advisory Committee (PAC) is conducting a public hearing to receive input on a proposal to extend Thomas Ryan Memorial Park hours beyond 10 p.m. The hearing is scheduled for the next PAC meeting Wednesday, June 10 at 6 p.m. at City Hall, 4646 Dakota St. SE. For more information, call (952) 447-9802.

TV Broadcasts Going Digital by June 12

The U.S. is transitioning from analog TV broadcasts to digital between Tuesday, Feb. 17 and June 12. To assist people with this transition, the federal government developed the [Digital-to-Analog Converter Program website](#). After the change-over, you may decide to recycle your old TV set and buy a new one. Visit the [Scott County Household Hazardous Waste website](#) for more information on recycling your old electronics.

Local Laker Link Circulator and Shuttle to Debut Wednesday, June 17

Need to get to work, summer school, or a popular destination such as Valleyfair, Lakefront Park or Sand Point Beach? The Prior Lake summer transit service called the Local Laker Link (LLL) is your ticket. The LLL circulator is \$1 and the shuttle is FREE. For more information, [download this Prior Lake Circulator and Shuttle flier](#) or contact [Jane Kansier](#) at (952) 447-9812.

Water Restrictions Now in Affect

Lawn or garden sprinkling, irrigation and other non-essential outdoor uses are prohibited from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. for all properties until Oct. 1. Residents may water on odd or even days corresponding with the date of the month for other non-essential uses before and after the daily restrictions. Some exemptions apply. For a permit for new lawns, private wells and pumping from the lake, call (952) 447-9830. Click on our [Sprinkling Restrictions webpage](#) for more information.

Lakefront Days 2009 Begins July 29

The Lakefront Days celebration is five days of fun-filled activities that include large groups of people converging on beautiful Lakefront Park. Expect great summer weather and a festive atmosphere. This year's "Five Days of Fun" celebration is from **Wednesday, July 29 to Sunday Aug. 2** For the latest information about the Lakefront Days celebration, click the [City of Prior Lake Lakefront Days Web page](#).

Free Concerts in the Park Each Thursday

Bring the whole family for free concerts every Thursday at 7 p.m. at Lakefront Park (5000 Kop Pkwy. in Prior Lake) through June, July and August. Thursday, June 11 will feature bluegrass band "Bluedrifters." Click [here for the whole summer schedule](#).

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