



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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SPRING-A-DING (NEW EVENT)

Come out and celebrate spring and get excited for summer fun. The whole family can enjoy live music, a petting zoo, inflatables, a story walk, clowns and much more. There will be limited concessions available for purchase.
Who: All Ages Welcome
When: Saturday, May 7; 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Where: Lakefront Park, 5000 Kop Parkway
Cost: FREE




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

April 13, 1:30 Tooth Wisdom
A Dental Hygienist will be presenting information about maintaining your oral health, tips and tricks to keep your smile healthy, and more! Free! No registration.

April 20, 11:00. When Polio Came Home-
Connie Anderson shares stories from her book. Hear how families overcame challenges in the 1940's and 1950's during the polio outbreak. Free! No registration.

April 27 1:00 Little Falls
Come learn about an upcoming summer tour of Little Falls. This tour is not sponsored by Club Prior.

May 19, Tour of Senior Housing
The tour starts at Club Prior and includes five different local housing stops. Along the way you will experience and learn about each option and enjoy hors d' oeuvres. Cost is \$5.00. Registration is required.

May 24, 1:00 Honey Bees!
Learn how bees live and the different jobs these important pollinators do in their hives and in our world. Learn about equipment needed to raise bees, how honey is harvested among other topics. Free, no registration required.

May 25, 2:00 Spring Fling
Club Prior is hosting this free event and no registration is necessary. Presented by Keystone Communities

April/May '16

The Wavelength

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

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New Water and Sanitary Sewer Rates Set

At the February 22 City Council meeting, the Council established the 2016 Prior Lake water and sanitary sewer rates, which help cover the costs of operating and maintaining these systems.

This increase is necessary due to the rising costs of operations and capital improvements for the city's aging infrastructure. The costs include the day-to-day maintenance of distribution and collection systems, treating the water for domestic use, seasonal irrigation fluctuations, maintaining the 42 lift stations which pump the city's sewage, and replacing worn out pipes in the ground as part of regular street replacement projects.

The city has renewed a commitment to complete street and utility replacement projects at a level to keep up with declining infrastructure, including replacing 2 of the 112 miles of streets and underlying piping systems each year.

Even at this rate, roads would need to last 50 years, which is a challenge given soil types, aging pipes and other contributing factors in Prior Lake.

The new water rate is \$4.40 per 1,000 gallons of water used, an increase of \$0.25, and the sanitary sewer rate will increase to \$2.52 per 1,000 gallons sewage discharged from \$2.02. Residents will see the new rates reflected in their April 1 billing statements.

The average resident uses approximately 10,000 gallons of water and corresponding sewage each bi-monthly billing cycle so the increase for the average city water and sewer user will be \$45.00 annually, or \$3.75 per month.

More information on the City of Prior Lake's utility services can be found at www.cityofpriorlake.com/utility-services.php.



CO-ED SAND VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE
Teams will play Tues. at 6 or 7 p.m. each night at Sand Point Beach
Deadline April 20
\$105 PER TEAM
More info call (952) 447-9823 or email kkes@cityofpriorlake.com

Summer Registration OPEN
Registration is open for all summer recreation programs! Space is limited for all programs.

You and Me Activities
For children ages 3-6 with an adult. Only the child participating must register and pay. Dress for the mess! Classes take place at Club Prior Community Room, Cost is \$10/resident; \$15/resident per activity.

April - Earth Day
April 13 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Deadline: April 5

May - Mother's Day
May 4 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Deadline: April 26

June - Father's Day
June 1 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Deadline: May 24

Adult Yoga (18+)
Monday 7-8 p.m. Yoga (Flow)
Wednesday 6-7 p.m. Hatha Yoga
AT CLUB PRIOR
Registration required. Cost varies

Music Together
Music and movement classes for children birth to kindergarten.
www.musictogetherclass.org
651-439-4219

Spring Curb-Side Clean Up
The City of Prior Lake will once again be hosting a curb-side cleanup for residents in Prior Lake, Spring Lake Township and Credit River Township.
April 19 - April 29
Monday - Friday
More Information: www.cityofpriorlake.com

Mayor's Article Explains the Importance of Prior Lake Heritage
In Prior Lake Mayor Ken Hedberg's most recent news article, "Prior Lake Heritage," he writes how there are three themes that make up our heritage: The settler families, Mdewakanton band of the Dakota nation, and our great lakes. To read Mayor Hedberg's full article, "Prior Lake Heritage," visit the following link:
MORE INFORMATION:
cityofpriorlake.com/mayors-columns.php



The Old Gateway is Now "The Grainwood"
The one story, 23,650-square-foot strip mall located on 2.54 acres at the corner of Gateway St. and Jordan Avenue was once known as Gateway Retail Center. It was a thriving location for stores such as Pizza-n- Pasta, Snyder Drug, Prior Lake Shoe Service, NAPA and a grocery store. In March it will be torn down for a new affordable four story senior rental facility named "The Grainwood." The plans call for a mix of one - to - three-bedroom apartments which will be restricted to people with incomes at or below 60 percent of the area median household income. Dominion, the developer, expects the project will take 15 months to complete. The 168-unit senior housing will cost an estimated \$34 million to build.



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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

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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



Emerald Ash Borer Frequently Asked Questions

Q: What is emerald ash borer?

A: Emerald ash borer (EAB) is a non-native insect transported from Asia to the US and identified in Michigan in 2002. EAB feeds on the tissue of ash trees between the bark and sapwood and disrupting the nutrient and water flow of the tree, eventually killing the tree after several years of feeding in the trees.

Q: What do the Active and Low Activity periods mean?

A: It is safest to work with ash trees during the dormant period or before May. After May 1 avoid the removal of ash branches, stumps or trees. This is because insects may fly and infest nearby ash trees.

Q: What is the best way to handle the ash logs and debris once the tree has been removed or pruned?

A: The best way to handle ash logs and debris is to send them to the nearest ash tree waste disposal site to have them processed before May 1st in the Low Activity period. If you are dealing with this debris during the active period, it is important to seal the debris and logs and transport them to the SMSC Organics Recycling Facility (1905 Mystic Lake Dr. in Shakopee) to be processed immediately.

Q: Is there any control for EAB once it's in the tree?

A: It may be helpful to use insecticides in the early stages of infestation. But keep in mind that once the insect infests the tree, the damage which is caused is irreversible. Before canopy dieback reaches 30%, insecticides have been shown to be successful.

Q: Is there any treatment to prevent EAB from entering and damaging an ash tree?

A: There are two common types of approaches of treatment which target the adult insect. These treatments include tree trunk injections and soil and root drenching applications. It has been found that the injection treatment is less harmful on the environment and gives the tree direct injection into the tissue of the tree.

Q: What should I do if I suspect EAB damage on my property?

A: Contact the Minnesota Department of Agriculture's Arrest the Pest hotline (888-545-6684; arrest.the.pest@state.mn.us). Note the exact location of the tree and take a digital photo if possible.

For more information visit: <http://www.cityofpriorlake.com/emerald-ash-borer.php>

Pay and View Utility Bills Online

Pay ONLINE

Go to www.cityofpriorlake.com

1. Click "Utility Pay"
2. You will go to our payment processors website where you register and make your payment

Or CALL

1-877-885-7968 (have your bill handy with account number)

View Bills Online

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1. Click "Utility Pay"
2. You will go to our payment processors website to register
3. You will get an email each time your bill is ready

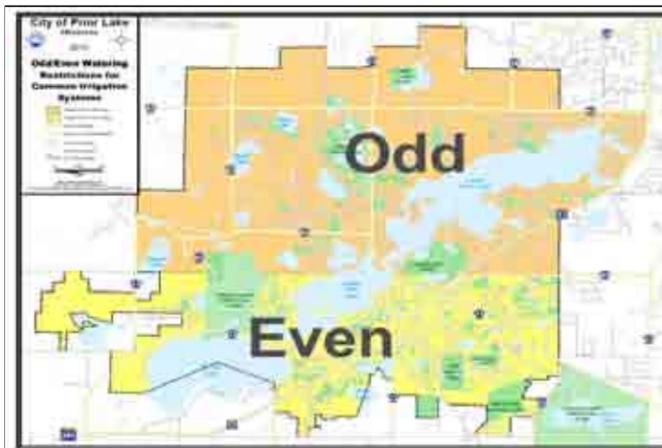
You don't have to pay online to view your bill online

SANITARY SEWER CLEANING

The City of Prior Lake Public Works Department will continue routine sanitary sewer cleaning throughout the spring. For information on the procedure and to see what neighborhoods will be cleaned in 2016, check the City's website <http://www.cityofpriorlake.com/sewer.php>.



Public Works Department 952-447-9800



Annual Water Use Restrictions

- 1) An odd/even sprinkling restriction based on street addresses is in effect from May 1 – Oct. 1 each year.
- 2) **NEW ORDINANCE** Homeowners' associations and apartment complexes with a common irrigation system may water only every other day. Homeowners' associations and apartment complexes north of 160th St. may water on odd numbered days and south of 160th St. may water on even numbered days.
- 3) City water cannot be used for the purposes of irrigation or watering of lawns, sod or seeded areas or other non-essential outdoor uses between 10:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. daily. For more information see Prior Lake City Code 705.702 (1-6)

Election Judges Needed

The City of Prior Lake is looking for residents 18 and older who would like to serve as an election Judge. Judges need to be available for the primary election on Aug. 8 and Nov. 8, willing to work 12 hours on election day and attend a required two hour training session. Judges are paid \$10/hr. Contact Janet Ringberg at 952-447-9840 or jringberg@cityofpriorlake.com

Spring hydrant flushing to begin in May

The annual hydrant flushing is expected to be completed by mid-June. The Public Works Department flushes all hydrants in the spring. Hydrant flushing serves two purposes:

To ensure proper operation and to purge stagnant water and natural minerals that may be deposited in the distribution system. Hydrants identified as needing maintenance are repaired following the completion of flushing. Please help with our spring hydrant flushing by clearing any bushes, trees or any other obstructions within three feet of fire hydrants on your property.

During hydrant flushing, it is not unusual for residents to periodically experience discolored water, pressure changes and/or an increased chlorine odor. Although safe for human consumption, if you experience discolored water you may correct the problem by opening all cold water faucets and allow them to run at the same time until the water clears. For more information call 952-447-9800.

Traffic Safety Concerns

The Traffic Safety Advisory Committee (TSAC) reviews community traffic safety issues and proposed solutions, provides guidance to City staff on traffic safety issues, advises the City Council on traffic safety issues and conducts public meetings on traffic safety issues. More Information: <http://www.cityofpriorlake.com/TSAC.php>



City Code Reminders:

When is a grading and excavating permit required?

- Land disturbances more than 500 square feet.
- Movement of more than 50 cubic yards (about five dump truck loads).
- Movement of more than 10 cubic yards or disturbance of 500 square feet in a shoreland district (1,000 feet from a lake). City codes (706.300, 1104.402)

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



**NO STAGING MATERIALS
ON THE PUBLIC STREET**

Driveways (1107.205)

- Driveways shall be setback at least 5 feet from the side yard property line.
- Driveways shall be surfaced with bituminous, concrete or other hard surface material, as approved by the City Engineer.
- For residential uses, the width of the driveway access shall not exceed 24 feet at the right-of-way line.
- Driveway access shall not exceed 36 feet in width measured at the street right-of-way line.

Driveway Alterations and Additions (107.206)



A driveway permit approved by the City Engineer is required for any replacement, alteration or addition to an existing driveway that exceeds the length and width approved as part of the original building permit. This permit is subject to a fee established annually by resolution of the City Council.

Please call the Engineering Department at (952) 447-9830 for more information or questions on permit requirements for

grading, excavating or driveways or visit the City of Prior Lake website Engineer page, <http://www.cityofpriorlake.com/street-projects.php>

Post me on the fridge!

The Wavelength Event Calendar

April 16 Fire Department
Spring Dance
Prior Lake VFW

May 7 Spring-A-Ding (New Event)
Petting Zoo, Inflatables, clowns
and much more.
Free at Lakefront Park
from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.



May 25 Spring Fling at Club Prior
This is a free event
No registration required
2 - 3 p.m.

June 3 Free Outdoor Movie
(Inside Out)
Lakefront Park
Details online

June 10 Free Beach Party
Sand Point Beach
11 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Details online

June 17 Penny Carnival
Lakefront Park 4 - 7 p.m.
Details Online

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

Upcoming Prior Lake Chamber of Commerce Events

April 9 - Ladies Night Out at Sailer's
Greenhouse. Doors open at 4:30 p.m.

May 2 - Senior Luncheon
Tickets on sale starting April 1 at Chamber

June 6 - Golf Tournament at The Meadows.
Register a team of four for \$400.