



Lakeshore Waves

News for You

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February 2011

Municipal offices will be closed for Family Day, February 21.

Your Members of Council:

- Mayor - Tom Bain
- Deputy Mayor - Al Fazio
- Councillors
- Ward 1 - Len Janisse
- Ward 2 - Dave Monk
- Ward 3 - Charles W. McLean
- Ward 4 - Steven Bezaire
- Ward 5 - Dan Diemer
- Ward 6 - Linda McKinlay

Garbage Calendars have been mailed out and residents should receive them by the end of January.

Family Fun Day 2011

From 1 to 3 pm on Monday February 21 join us at the Lakeshore Arena for a fun filled afternoon of skating, family games, entertainment and a Family Ice Bowling competition. Sign up for this fun and exciting event (similar to turkey bowling). Contact Recreation Services at 519-727-0470 to register. Further details will be posted on the website shortly.

'Like' us on Facebook

The Town of Lakeshore has recently created a Facebook page to interact with residents.

As you may know, Facebook is the largest social network, having approx. 500 million users around the world. Facebook is beginning to define social media standards due to its size and growth. It provides the opportunity to communicate and connect in a more modern fashion.

Lakeshore wants to provide another avenue to connect with our residents. With so many people on Facebook, it makes good business sense to be online.

The page, launched quietly in November has given us some time to work out potential concerns. Although we are not able to monitor the page 24 hours a day, we do keep a close eye on it and will respond as soon as possible.

Like us on Facebook



Lakeshore plans to use the page to post announcements for all sorts of municipal activities, events and any other items that may be of interest. It is also the Town's intent to answer questions and provide information to our resi-

dents to enhance our customer service.

To build a community page, we need community information. The Town would like to invite our community groups, agencies, and sports clubs to celebrate their accomplishments and events with everyone on our Facebook page. There are so many great things happening in our communities it should be shared. Tournament wins, good sportsmanship, fundraising news are all welcome.

Visit our website and click "Like us on Facebook" to join our community Facebook page.

Student Lottery

Application forms are now available for the summer student lottery on our website under employment opportunities or at the reception desk at either the Municipal office, or the Puce Sports and Leisure Centre.

The deadline for applications is Monday March 21, 2011. Late applications will not be accepted. Applications must be returned either in person to the Municipal office or by regular mail to the address noted on the application. No faxes will be ac-



cepted. Please note that students eligible to apply to the returning student lottery should have regard to the number of available positions as there may be changes

from previous years. A list of available positions is posted on our website (all positions are conditional on funding approvals/requirements, and may be subject to change). Anticipated positions include Marina dock hands, parks and recreation program leaders, public works students, and parks maintenance students

Students may only apply via one stream, either the general lottery or the returning student lottery.

New Zoning Bylaw

Lakeshore is in the process of developing a New Comprehensive Zoning Bylaw along with a County Road 22 Corridor Special Planning Area Study. Once adopted, the new Bylaw will repeal and replace all former zoning bylaws.

A Zoning by-law regulates the use and development of land, assists in protecting property values, provides predictability of development patterns, prevents incompatible uses and allows for public input in the development process.

Our goals through this process are:

- To ensure consistency
- To improve customer service
- To achieve more flexibility
- To accommodate 'mixed-use' along the County Rd 22 corridor

- To create a more 'user-friendly' document
- To provide predictability and transparency
- To simplify the approach to Permitted Uses
- To develop tools to preserve character areas

Open Houses will be held to review the draft by-law, help further define and develop creative solutions for our communities and discuss your concerns or visions for the community.

Details on the Open House will be posted on our website, Facebook page or you can contact the municipal office for further information.

Council Dates

FEBRUARY - 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

The Council Meeting dates have been set for this year. They are the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month unless otherwise noted. The

dates have been entered into our event calendar on the website. Meetings are in Council Chambers and generally begin at 6 pm unless otherwise posted.

Budget meetings have also been tentatively set and will begin in February. Dates will be posted to the event calendar when confirmed. Budget documents will be made available on our website as soon as they are finalized. Any changes to the schedule will be posted to the website.

Snowmobiles and ATV's

During the winter months, a number of people like to enjoy the outdoors on their snowmobiles and ATV's.

Snowmobiles and ATV's are not allowed on any roads or in municipal parks. Snowmobiles are allowed on private land with the owner's permission only.

Youths between the age of 12-15 can obtain an operator's licence under the proper act.



Vehicles must be registered with the Ministry of Transportation. Both the owner of the snowmobile and the operator are responsible for any violations of the Act, and both are liable for any injury or property damage caused by the vehicle.



Caution is urged when travelling on frozen rivers and lakes as the ice may not be thick in all areas. Also, ice is not even and may form large bulges which may be dangerous.

Every year accidents occur due to snowmobiles or ATV's out on the ice. Proceed with caution when venturing onto ice or avoid the ice altogether.

The OPP will conduct periodic ATV patrols throughout the winter months and will be enforcing violations of the Act.

Online Mapping

On our website, we have an online mapping system available for all residents. This system allows you to look at your property and review basic property information.

Information such as zoning, drainage, recreation and our air photo is available. You can even print your own maps from this system.

The link is available off the front page. Click on the folders along the right of the screen to view the variety of information.

Baseball/Soccer

Its that time of year again sports groups and organizations!

Please submit your schedules to Parks Services in order to reserve your times and dates for tournaments and the regular season schedule.

We also require notification of the appointed contact person for the upcoming season in order to ensure proper contact information for all communications.



Contact Jean Marc St. Pierre at 519-727-0470 ext 29 for all field inquiries and Todd Shoemaker for general inquiries at 519-727-0470 ext 27.

Winter Driving

Be prepared, be safe. The snow received in December and January is a reminder of the need to be prepared in the winter months for changes in driving conditions.

Before setting out on a trip, check the weather and travel conditions, clear snow and ice from all windows, ensure windshield washer fluid is full and ensure your cell phone is charged. It does not hurt to let someone know where you are going and when you expect to arrive.

When driving, make sure you leave extra room for stopping as it takes longer to stop on snow. If your vehicle goes into a skid, take your foot off the gas, do not brake. Shift into neutral and steer in the direction you want to go.

An emergency kit is a good idea for trips



and should include the following: shovel, sand, rock salt and/or a traction mat, tow chain, booster cables, snow brush, ice scraper, flashlight, flares, blanket and warm clothes, including boots, a call Police sign or white rag, candles/matches, and snacks. Tie or buckle in anything that could be thrown about inside your vehicle should it slide or get into an accident.

If you do get stuck, Call 911, draw attention to your vehicle by using your emergency flashers, white rag or call Police sign. Run your motor sparingly and be careful of exhaust fumes—ensure the exhaust pipe is clear. If you try to get out, rock the vehicle back and forth, do not spin the tires. When you get out, keep moving to keep the momentum, and watch for traffic. Drive slowly and safely on snow covered roads. If the weather is really bad, do not go out.

Rentals

Consider renting a pavilion or park this year for your family event. We have a number of pavilions and parks available to rent at reasonable prices. Parks and Recreation Services welcomes all inquiries for outdoor pavilions and park rentals.

Large pavilions available for rent include:

Tilbury North Park in Stoney Point, **Geralyn Tellier Perdu Memorial Park** in St. Joachim, **Lakeview Park, Belle River** - New Amphitheatre and West Beach pavilion, **Millen Centre Community Centre & park,** and **Optimist Park, Belle River.**

Cost: \$75 + hst for large pavilions.

Small pavilion & washroom rentals - (Memorial Park, Woodslee and Centennial Park, Puce) Cost: \$35 + hst.

All paid rentals include a permit for use on designated day. Contact Recreation Services at 519-727-0470 for all details including alcohol related inquiries.

Website Enhancement

The Town of Lakeshore has recently enhanced our website and revised our Recreation and Leisure area.

One of the reasons for the enhancements was to make our site more accessible to people with disabilities.

Recreation and Leisure is available as a Quick link from our main page. There are a variety of options.

Our information has been grouped to make it easier to find information. Our programs section groups activities by centre to make it even easier to find a program right for you.

We will continually enhance our website to meet your needs.



Outdoor Walking Program

Recreation and Leisure is looking at the possibility of creating a Nordic Walking Program. We are considering applying for a grant to setup this program and need to know how many people may be interested. A poll question has been setup on the website to collect infor-



mation. If you are interested in Nordic Walking, let us know by completing our poll question.

Nordic Walking is an efficient, low stress exercise technique that involves the use of poles to engage the legs and upper body in a total body workout with clinically

demonstrated physical and psychological benefits.

It would be operated outdoors in a variety of our parks, potentially changing location regularly.

Poles would be available for use and an instructor would lead the program. It would be open to people of all ages as virtually anyone who can walk can Nordic Walk.

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Visit our website at www.lakeshore.ca

Lakeshore Community Services



Lakeshore Community Services coordinates dialysis transportation to and from Windsor renal units for people in Essex County.

They are in need of volunteer drivers to take clients to and from dialysis treatments. Reimbursement of mileage is approx. \$.40 per km driven round trip.



Only 10 hours a month can make a big difference to individuals who need transportation for these treatments. If you have a vehicle and are able to assist, please contact Lakeshore Community Services to make a difference in our community.

Toddler's in Motion

Every Wednesday morning from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm Marie Spadafora, graciously meets our toddlers, preschoolers and their parents/caregivers in the gymnasium to enjoy our "Toddler's in motion" program.



Children participate in a basic physical activity circuit. Activities include: Hula hooping, basketball, floor hockey, soccer, volleyball, football and bean bag toss. The children also enjoy singing and dancing and participate in a marching parade

that brings many smiles !!!

This program is designed to initiate the importance of physical activity at this very young age in order to influence a healthy lifestyle.

The cost for this drop in program is \$2.00 per child for a two hour program. Parents/Caregivers must accompany their child throughout the program session.

Contact Recreation Services for more information at 519-727-0470.



Kraft Hockeyville

Hockey. For many of us, it is our pride, our passion. Do we have the unshakable community spirit for hockey? Can Lakeshore work as a team to promote our community and be crowned Kraft Hockeyville 2011? We think so and our Lakeshore Arena has been nominated as one of the contenders for the competition this year.

If we win, or dare I say, when we win, we will receive \$100,000 to go towards upgrades at the arena. We will also get an NHL pre-season game at our arena and a CBC Hockey night in Canada broadcast from our community relating to the event. Imagine

Don Cherry and Ron MacLean here, in our arena.



The top 10 communities are chosen by community spirit, originality and passion for the game.

We have so many people involved in hockey in this area, it should be easy to show our love for the game. If every person posted a story, a photo, worked together

on a video, and helped rally some support we could win and be named Hockeyville 2011.

Visit: www.krafthockeyville.ca to participate. The deadline is January 30, so don't delay. While you are on the site, read some of the uplifting stories that have already been posted.

New Programs

We have new programs for 2011! Call Recreation Services at 519-727-0470 or visit our website at www.lakeshore.ca or www.pucerecentre.com for details on any of these programs.

Reading Adventures - Grades 1-4

Beat Math - Grades 1-6

Lakeshore's Little Learners - Drop off and play Toddler program Monday or Friday

Culinary Cooking Classes—Kids Healthy lunches and snacks, Sushi lovers, Truffles for your sweetheart, Creative appetizers workshop.

Pickleball - in Comber Wed. from 7—9 pm. Pickleball is a game played on a badminton court with a perforated plastic baseball and composite paddles. Easy to learn and can develop into a quick, fast-paced competitive game. Rules are similar to tennis.

