

CITY OF SYLVAN LAKE

May 2009

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SIGN UP FOR THE ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER by sending your name, mailing address and Email address to: Sylvanlakenewsletter@gmail.com It will offer you more information on a more timely basis. We will be sending out "newsbytes" periodically to inform you and remind you of upcoming events instead of trying to get them all into a monthly newsletter. To save money, we are looking at limiting this paper newsletter to quarterly or eliminating it completely.

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Sylvan Lake will again participate with West Bloomfield for household hazardous waste collection. The collection is May 2nd from 9:00-2:00 p.m. at the West Bloomfield Civic Center, 4550 Walnut Lake Road. There is no cost to residents. Have your drivers license ready upon entering the Civic Center site. This documents residents from each community. They are going to take the normal hazardous material and electronics (including TV's). There will also be a shredder there so anyone can have documents destroyed. Again there will be the collection of used syringes at Beaumont Medical Center, 6900 Orchard Lake Rd (rear loading dock), Friday May 1, 2009 from 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

West Bloomfield School Election Tuesday, May 5th residents in the *West Bloomfield School District* have a special election for a bond proposition. City Hall will be open Saturday, May 2nd from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. to handout absentee ballots (only). The polls are open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Memorial Park and Beach Clean-Up Please volunteers to help Sunday, May 3rd at 9:30 a.m. Meet at Ferndale Beach. Thursday, May 21st volunteers are needed at from 10:00 to Noon to help clean up Memorial Park.

Parks and Recreation Committee We are still looking for volunteers to be on the Parks and Recreation Committee. This will be a working committee to help organize events in the parks and community center and enhance our facilities. If you are interested, please call or Email City Hall.

Planning Commission meeting has been moved back one week to Tuesday, May 12th. The main topic of discussion will be a site plan review for a new Tim Horton's restaurant at 2635 Orchard Lake Road. (Vacant JRE Tire/Twisted Cycle building) They will also continue their discussion on Fences.

City Council Meeting/Budget Public Hearing The Public hearing and regular meeting May 13 at 7:30 p.m. The public hearing is to receive public input regarding the proposed 2009/2010 Budget. Copies of the proposed millage rates, revenues and expenditures will be available at City Hall after May 6th. The Regular City Council meeting will immediately follow the Public Hearing.

Michigan Week Breakfast Celebrate Michigan, May 16-22, 2009. Greater West Bloomfield salutes those who have made significant volunteer contributions to their community. The Community Awards Breakfast is May 8, 2009, 7:15 a.m. at the Shenandoah Banquet, Golf and Conference Center at 5600 Walnut Lake Road. Tickets are \$25 at the West Bloomfield Parks & Rec. office or call 248-451-1900.

Annual Memorial Day Parade The annual Lakes Area Memorial Day Parade will be Monday, May 25th. The day will begin with a memorial service at Keego Harbor's Memorial Rock at 9:30 a.m. Line up for the parade will begin at 9:00 a.m. on Cass Lake Road. The parade will begin at 10:15 a.m., travel Orchard Lake Road to Inverness to Sylvan Lake's Memorial Park. Make sure you come to Sylvan Lake's memorial service that will begin at approximately 11:30 a.m. at Memorial Park

Several streets and intersections throughout the city are closed during the parade. Closed roads are: Orchard Lake Road between Cass Lake Road and Middlebelt/Inverness. Access to Orchard Lake Road will be closed at Beverly, Warwick, Woodland, Lakeland, Sherwood and Inverness. If you need to get onto Cass Lake Road, you can use Knowlson off Beverly. In order to get to Orchard Lake Road, use Pontiac Drive. We need help with barricades for the street closings.

If you are willing to help with barricades, be a part of the parade, or have questions, please call Jim Bull, 248-681-3053 or Mel Hager at 248-875-9773.

Plant Exchange The Sylvan Lake Garden Club is hosting a citywide plant exchange at Memorial Park from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Saturday, June 6, with a rain date scheduled for Sunday, June 7. People who bring plants that are not exchanged could plant them at the park. So, as you prepare your garden this year, save your surplus perennials and trade them with your neighbors. If you have questions, call Helen McAllister at 248 682-1082. There will be no charge for this event unless you come without an exchange and want to purchase someone else's perennial. This money will be donated to the Memorial Park.

Golfing in the parks is not allowed. This is dangerous and damages our parks.

Tennis Courts are officially closed for safety reasons.

City-Wide Garage Sale The Sylvan Lake Home and Garden Tour Group is again holding the City wide garage sale on May 28th, 29th and 30th. A permit fee of \$20.00 will cover the cost for ads in The Oakland Press and Eccentric newspaper, garage sale signs on Orchard Lake Road and list of participants' addresses at City Hall and Sylvan Market. To apply, please come to City Hall, fill out the envelope on the counter and place the envelope with payment in the box. The deadline is May 22nd.

Sylvan Lake Beautifician Day was proclaimed by City Council as June 6, 2009. This date has been set aside for spring cleanup of your rubbish and other accumulations from the prior season. Please put your rubbish out for the regular trash pickup on June 10th. This is a great day to clean your ditches and culverts (pipes) under your driveway or parking area to ensure proper drainage.

Don't Drive on the Grass! Our parks are being destroyed by people driving across them to access their dock spaces to install their docks and/or hoists. We try very hard to maintain the beauty of our parks and need your help. Do not drive in the parks under any circumstance! Doing so may result in a ticket. In addition, you will be charged for any necessary repairs. It is the responsibility of the dock holder to inform anyone sharing your space, or a company installing your dock, of this rule. *If you see a vehicle in the park, please call the police and get their license number if possible.*

Boat ramp stickers are required on all water craft launched at our ramp, with the exception of the "guest ramp pass" defined below. Therefore, if you have a second boat, you must purchase an additional sticker in order to launch that water craft. They are available at city hall for a cost of \$10.00. You must be a resident and show your original boat registration. You do NOT need a sticker to have your boat at your dock, just to use our ramp.

Guest ramp Pass A guest ramp pass will be issued to a resident (only), for the purpose of allowing a specific guest to use the boat ramp. The cost for the guest pass is \$25.00 for *one day, for one watercraft*. To obtain a guest pass, a *resident* must fill out a very short form indicating the type of watercraft along with the MC# that will be using our boat ramp. Guest ramp passes may be picked up at the city hall during the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday - Friday.

Home and Garden Tour June 20 is Tour Day! Tickets may be purchased online (\$12 in advance) at www.brownpapertickets.com/event/63781 and will be available the 1st of May at City Hall, LaRosa Market and Detroit Garden Works. There is a \$1.29 service charge per ticket when purchasing online.

Docents are needed! Tell the stories of each home including the history, design, furnishings and colors. Volunteers are needed to drive a shuttle for our tourists. Place an ad in the tour book or sponsor lunches for the volunteers.

Dogs A reminder when walking your dog, they must be on a leash that is no more than 10-feet long and being held by the owner/walker. The dog must be picked up after. These same rules apply to dogs being walked *anywhere* in the City. Leashed dogs are allowed at the Community Center Park east of Pontiac Drive. That is the side of Pontiac Drive toward the Community Center. Not the side toward the lake and boat docks. *This is the only park where dogs will be allowed.* The police will be issuing tickets for unleashed dogs, not cleaning up after the dog and unlicensed dogs. The penalty for violating this ordinance is a misdemeanor with a minimum fine of \$150. Dogs may be walked on a leash directly to your boat.

May Calendar of Events

- 2nd - No Haz Collection at West Bloomfield Civic Center, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00pm
- 2nd - Absentee Ballots available at City Hall from 9-2pm
- 3rd - Ferndale Park cleanup
- 5th - VOTE West Bloomfield School Election, Polls Open 7:00 am-8:00 pm
- 8th - MI Week Breakfast, 7:15 a.m.
- 12th - Planning Commission meeting at 7:00 p.m.
- 13th - Budget Public Hearing and Council Meeting at 7:30 p.m.
- 21st - Memorial Park cleanup
- 25th - Memorial Day Parade, City Hall closed
- 28th, 29th & 30th - City-wide garage sale

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