



Second Quarter 2014

MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Welcome to spring! The past year has seen many new start-ups of businesses, expansion of existing businesses and more to be developed in the near future. It sure is great to see so many people who believe in being part of Lancaster's future.

Your city also has many new members including three City Council members, a City Office staff person, City Administrator, Public Works Director, Police officers and a new Water Works employee. With all these new changes, the City has had a very full agenda to process.

Soon summer recreation programs will be taking shape, golf course development projects will be set-up and possible new street work projects will be designed.

I would like to thank all the people who have been working on the Library Project. I also want to thank all the people who give to many worthy causes in our area; making Lancaster a better place to live and raise a family.

Have a great summer, Jerry

COMMUNITY REMINDERS



POLICE MEDICATION ROUNDUP

The Lancaster Police Department would appreciate all residents disposing of your unused, expired or unwanted medication, prescription and over the counter, before the April 26th Roundup date. The box is located in the lobby of the Police Department and you can drop your medication 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Please drop off pills in their original containers (Hartig will shred all prescription bottles) or seal the pills in a Ziploc bag. Accepted items: Prescription pills/Capsules/powder packets and liquids (please call ahead to drop off liquids 723-4188), over the counter medication, vitamins, patches, ointments. Unaccepted items: Thermometers, inhalers, needles, auto injectors, aerosol cans, and hydrogen peroxide. Thank you for keeping Lancaster safe!

YARD WASTE REMINDERS

Brush/ Yard waste Rules and Schedule: Brush and yard waste pickup is the first Monday of each month April through November. Each street is covered only once. Place yard waste in open containers or in bags at the curb, not in the roadway or obstructing sidewalks. Brush should be neatly stacked with butt ends facing one direction. Yard waste not placed in containers or bags and brush not neatly stacked will be refused. If a holiday, pickup will be the next day. The 2014 City of Lancaster yard waste pickup schedule: May 5th, June 2nd, July 7th, Aug 4th, Sept 2nd, Oct 6th, Nov 3rd.

The brush and compost site is located next to the waste water treatment plant off of South Madison Street and is available for residents to drop off yard waste. Please observe the posted rules at the site. A continuing problem is people leaving bags and containers at the site and dumping building materials. These items are prohibited and should be disposed of elsewhere.

Please help keep Lancaster streets looking clean and avoid blowing grass clippings into the street! The grass clippings end up blocking storm drain inlets and generally make the streets look bad.

CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT

The City of Lancaster has many opportunities for citizens to be involved through various volunteer committees, commissions and boards. If you are interested in serving on a committee, commission or board, please send a letter of interest to: Mayor Wehrle, 206 S Madison Street, Lancaster WI 53813.

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PUBLIC WORKS

HOMESERVE USA REPAIR MANAGEMENT CORP.

Many residents within the city have received a letter from HomeServe USA claiming that their records show the homeowner does not have insurance coverage for the buried exterior water line. As stated in letter the City of Lancaster is in no way affiliated with HomeServe USA and has not endorsed any company or business offering this type of service.

The Lancaster water utility is responsible for the maintenance of the service line to your home or business from the water main up to and including the shut-off valve (curb stop) usually located at the edge of the street right-of-way. The home or business owner is responsible for the water line from this point on.

Residents who receive this letter or any similar letter should review it carefully. If you have questions about your buried water line consult with a local plumbing contractor or contact the Lancaster Water Utility at 608-723-6225.

Water utility personnel will be conducting spring water main flushing in early to mid-April. This process takes place at least twice each year to ensure water in the system stays fresh and to ensure that all fire hydrants are operational. Areas that are served by dead end water mains are flushed more often. Utility crews will also be exercising water system valves and conducting fire hydrant maintenance this summer.

Well #3 has been put back in reserve status after testing was conducted in January and February at a lower pumping rate and radium levels still exceeded the maximum contaminant levels. The water utility will be working with Strand Engineering and the Department of Natural Resources to come up with a plan to get the well back on-line.

The long and cold winter caused numerous problems for the water and sewer utilities with five broken water mains and three service line leaks since January 1st. Sixteen homes and businesses experienced frozen service laterals and approximately 70 customers were contacted to leave water run to prevent freezing. One dead end water main also froze. Frost depths were between 5' and 6' deep in the roadways. Several residents also reported frozen sewer laterals.

Upgrades to the wastewater treatment plant are underway and should be completed by August. This upgrade will modernize some of the processes that require manual operation of the plant seven days a week. Other upgrades will be to pumps and aeration equipment that were originally installed in the late 1970's. Variable speed controls will also be installed on blowers that will allow them to run at slower speeds during times of lower demand.

CITY STREETS

The Public Works Department completed a very busy winter season. General snow plowing, with all units covering all streets, took place 25 times. Approximately 500 tons of salt and abrasives were applied to city streets. As the weather begins to warm up, crews will begin street sweeping and patching potholes. Curb, gutter and sidewalk repairs and replacement will also take place this summer.

Street construction will begin this summer on West Hickory Street from Washington to Harrison. This will be a complete re-construction project including water, sewer, storm sewer, curb & gutter and sidewalk.

LANCASTER COUNTRY CLUB



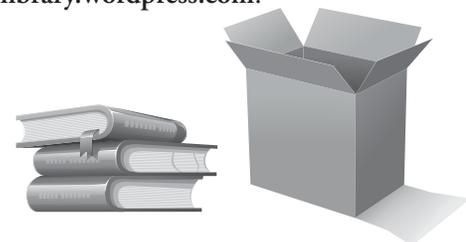
Lancaster Country Club is getting ready to open for the 2014 Golf Season. We are excited to offer many new membership deals that will cater to the golfing needs of any family or individual. We are also excited about many changes that

will be happening throughout the 2014 season as we continue to make upgrades to the golf course. The Club will have brand new 2014 Club Car golf carts; we will be adding new tee signs with advertising available and a new parking lot. Come on out for a fun relaxing day of golf. We look forward to seeing you!

LIBRARY

WE'RE MOVING

The library will be closing on May 17th (a Saturday) to move into our temporary location. We're taking volunteers, especially those who can help us move furniture, anytime from now until the move is complete. The library will be open at 144 South Madison Street (formerly Lancaster Interiors) on Monday, May 19th. Summer Library Program and other summer story times and activities will be held as usual, just in the new location. We are still looking for donations to the building project, which can be made out to the Lancaster Public Library Foundation. You can also donate online: www.schreinermemoriallibrary.wordpress.com.



PUBLIC SAFETY

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Lancaster Fire Department Annual Meeting, March 3, 2014. Gary Reuter received a Lifetime Achievement Award, recognizing his leadership and commitment to both the Fire Department and the Lancaster Rescue Squad. Gary joined the Fire Department in 1979, served as Fire Chief from 1992-2004, and is currently an officer of the Fire Department and Assistant Chief of Lancaster EMS.

Winskill Elementary Student Leah Muench won second-place statewide for her grade level in the State Fire Association's annual Fire Prevention Poster Contest. Leah is the daughter of Jim and Kelly Muench.

Captain Joel Vesperman retired from the department on April 1, 2013 with 24 years of service. Joel joined the department on April 3, 1989 and for many years served as our department's Truck Foreman.



Gary Reuter, Lifetime Achievement Award

NATIONAL EMS WEEK

The week of May 18-24 is National EMS Week. This week serves as a time to recognize the important work area volunteers do in our community. Next time you see one of these individuals please take a moment to express your appreciation for their dedication and commitment. Please consider becoming a member of the Lancaster EMS service.



Captain Joel Vesperman Retires



Leah Muench's Fire Prevention Poster

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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| June 12 Maggie Mae in the Park | June 28 Grant County Summer Festival | July 17 Night on the Square | August 8 Deals and Steals Day |
| 5:30 PM/1st Monday Park/Recreation Committee | 6:30 PM/ 2nd Monday Plan Commission | | 6:30 PM/3rd Monday City Council |

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CITY OF LANCASTER STAFF & ALDERPERSONS

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| Mayor <i>Jerry Wehrle</i> | Building Inspector Zoning Administrator <i>Dennis Hampton</i> | Aldersperson, Ward 4 <i>LeRoy Ihm</i> |
| City Administrator <i>Steve Winger</i> | Police Chief <i>Steve Zabel</i> | Aldersperson, Ward 6 <i>David Varnam</i> |
| Clerk/Treasurer <i>David Kurihara</i> | Fire Chief <i>Steve Braun</i> | Aldersperson At-large <i>Dennis Morgan</i> |
| City Attorney <i>Todd Infield</i> | Aldersperson, Wards 1 & 5 <i>Chad Olmstead</i> | Aldersperson At-large <i>Pete Hoffman</i> |
| Library Director <i>Jennifer Bernetzke</i> | Aldersperson, Wards 2 & 3 <i>Bob Schmidt</i> | Aldersperson At-large <i>Shayne LaBudda</i> |
| Public Works Director <i>John Hawth</i> | | Aldersperson At-large <i>Kate Reuter</i> |

CITY OF LANCASTER CONTACTS

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| Assessment Questions Accurate Appraisals, LLC 1-800-770-3927 | Garbage and Recycling Town & Country Sanitation 1-800-626-1915 | General Inquiries/Licences City Clerk's Office 723-4246 |
| Building Zoning Dennis Hampton 778-7162 Office: Tues. 9 AM to Noon | Taxes-Delinquent 2nd Installment Payments Grant County Treasurer 723-2604 | Water and Sewer Billing Water Billing Department 723-6225 |