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TOWN TOPICS

Halloween is around the corner. We will be running Halloween Tips this week and next week. See the ad below. Lakeview's Trick or Treat hours are 6-8 p.m., October 31st.

This Friday, October 22, is Youth Football Night along with Senior Night at the Lakeview High School football game vs. Mason County Central. If you want your child to be a part of this event, see details on page 4.

We are looking for contributing writers to cover local events as well as a sales rep and/or ad designer. Call our office (989) 352-5111 Monday and Tuesday or email us at lannews-room@gmail.com. Be a part of the Lakeview Area News team.

See Upcoming Events on page 3 for local happenings.

HALLOWEEN SAFETY TIPS

1. STICK TO FAMILIAR NEIGHBORHOODS

2. VISIT WELL-LIT HOUSES

3. CARRY A FLASHLIGHT

4. TRAVEL IN GROUPS. DON'T GO ALONE!

5. WHEN WALKING OR CROSSING STREETS, PAY ATTENTION TO WHERE YOU'RE WALKING, NOT YOUR CELL PHONE!

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Recycling Bins - A Thing of the Past?



Soon to be replaced by compactors

By Linda Huckins

At last Tuesday's Lakeview Village Council meeting, members voted to collaborate with the county to become a test facility for the latest in recycling operations. Currently, recycling is handled in Lakeview at the North Street DPW facility with the usual big green recycling bins.

Starting around the first of December, the North Street facility will be closed for recycling and the operation will be moved to the back parking

lot of the new Municipal Complex, 208 S. Lincoln Avenue, with one big difference – compactors.

Recycling compactors will take the place of the old bins, which will eliminate overflowing of recycling materials and will have twice the capacity of traditional bins. The compactors will be coming from Allied Waste and when the compactors are about 90% full, they will send a message to Allied that they need to be emptied. Someone from the company will come and empty them.

The village is responsible for installing a cement pad for the compactors and for electrical service.

Because Montcalm has a trash dump, the county gives money back to communities for recycling. Also, we sell plastic and cardboard, which helps to offset the cost.

When the compactors are installed and operational, we will do a follow up story. In the meantime, be proud that our little village is leading the way in this next big step in recycling.

Lakeview Village Council Meeting

Regular Council Meeting Minutes, October 12, 2021

By Melissa King
Village Clerk

President Griffith called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Emily Griffith, Dominic Trevino, Chris Fryover, Lane Lepink, Kate Behrenwald, Jyll Mitchell and Greg Saxton. **Members Absent:** None.

Also Present: Manager and Police Chief, Darin Dood, Lieutenant Russell, Scott Smith, Brian Bucholtz and Melissa King.

AGENDA APPROVAL: Fryover moved and Trevino seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

STANDING ITEMS
Fryover moved and Saxton seconded to approve

the meeting minutes from September 14, 2021 as presented. Motion carried.

Saxton moved and Fryover seconded to approve the September bills in the amount of \$637,036.82 as presented. Motion carried.

REPORTS

Lieutenant Russell stated the numbers are down. These are down due to the loss of our afternoon patrol officer. When asked if the village is doing well as a whole, Manager Dood stated we are doing really well. The State Police have been coming in and helping knowing the department isn't fully staffed.

Supervisor Bucholtz's added that there are still handicap parking spaces to paint yet. When asked if we schedule days to pick up the leaves, he stated we watch for piles and decent weather.

OIC Smith added that September is a busy month for the water department. As far as sewer,

it is discharging season. We will be discharging through the end of the year. We took in 21 samples for water testing.

Manager Dood said that the gas station on M-46 has decided to hold off on their opening. Some of the equipment they need is not available yet and therefore creates problems with some of the permitting process. It is in their best interest to wait on the opening. The process of obtaining a liquor license was discussed.

Manager Dood talked about his experience going to the top of the water tower. He expressed he was impressed with how the DPW handled safety measures, and the knowledge they have to run sophisticated equipment. He encourages the council members to get involved with day-to-day activity in the village so when decisions need to be made, they have the knowledge they need to make them.

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114-Year-Old Flag Returns Home



By Linda Huckins

and take it home with him.

It was the early 1960's and Lakeview Village Clerk Dallas Lincoln was preparing for the evening's village council meeting. He was in the old town hall, where the Lakeview Community Center now sits. Part of his duties were to open the room where the council meeting was to take place, set up chairs and get everything ready for the meeting. On this one particular night, while performing those duties, he found an American flag that was just sort of tossed in the corner. Someone had used it to wipe off tables. Surprisingly the old flag was not torn or tattered, just faded.

He thought that was disrespectful so he decided to rescue the flag

Later that night, he counted the stars. To his surprise, there were only 46 stars! The 46th state to enter the union was Oklahoma in November 16, 1907. That would have made the flag 53 years old in 1960. Dallas has kept the flag for over 60 years. That Old Glory is now 114 years old!

Dallas recently presented the old flag to Lakeview Village Manager, Darin Dood, to display it in the village's new Municipal Building so it can be shared with the community.

"I think of it as returning it to its original owner," Dallas said, "because it came from the old village council chambers."

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Perfect 300 Score!



Bowler Extraordinaire, Joseph Perez

Submitted by Lisa Jensen

Youth Bowling Coach and Manager, Tina Jensen, announced this weekend that Joseph Perez, age 16, son of Abe and Jennifer Perez, bowled a PERFECT 300 game!

Tina said, "It was an awesome experience to watch and be a part of such a talented young man make a perfect game. 300 WOW! You don't usually get to see this and

most bowlers never experience this. The house was nervous as we all started watching trying not to make it noticeable."

Joseph has bowled in the youth league for many years at the Alley Cat lanes and each year has improved.

Tina added, "As manager, I'm very proud of this talented individual. It makes me proud to be a youth manager in a small town. Now everyone has some big shoes to follow!"



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