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**SEPTEMBER 2022**



# LINDSTRÖM LEDGER

## Swedish Barn Quilt Trail

Take a scenic drive along the Highway 8 corridor to view the wide variety of quilt squares along the Swedish Barn Quilt Trail. The trail showcases the local artists who created the quilt squares, and brings awareness to our area's Swedish heritage.



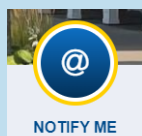
The first and smallest (1 X 1 ft.) quilt square can be found at Sven's in Chisago City, and the trail ends just north of Taylors Falls. Five large 8-foot barn quilt squares are located on the trail, as well more than 45 4-foot or smaller quilt squares in the business corridors and along country roads.

**We have over 30 beautiful quilt squares right here in downtown Lindström!**

Click [HERE](#) for the trail map, or pick up a brochure at [City Hall](#) or at the [CL Chamber](#).

## Stay Informed

Now you can stay informed with our new [E-Notifications](#) feature! Sign up to receive emails for city news, events, public notices and emergency alerts.



## Monthly E-Newsletter

### School Bus Safety Tips

#### Stop for School Buses: It's the Law!

- State law requires all vehicles to stop for school buses when the bus driver activates the flashing lights and has the crossing arm fully extended.
- Drivers who violate the law face a \$500 fine.
- Drivers can face criminal charges for passing a school bus on the right, passing when a child is outside the bus, or injuring or killing a child.

#### Motorists

Motorists must stop at **least 20 feet** from a school bus that is displaying red flashing lights or a stop arm when approaching from the rear and from the opposite direction on undivided roads.

Motorists should slow down, pay attention and anticipate school children and buses, especially in neighborhoods and school zones.

The best way to be aware of your surroundings at all times is to put the distractions away.

For a video from the Minnesota State Patrol about the importance of stop arm safety, click [HERE](#).

#### Students

- When getting off a bus, look to be sure no cars are passing on the shoulder.
- Wait for the bus driver to signal that it's safe to cross.
- When crossing the street to get on the bus or to go home, make eye contact with motorists before proceeding.

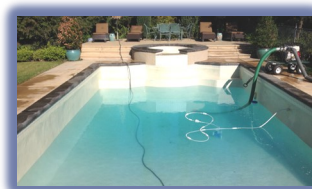
### Are You Discharging Your Swimming Pool?

With Autumn just around the corner, those with swimming pools may be preparing to close them for the season.

One concern that must be addressed is the presence of chlorine. **Chlorination must be stopped several days in advance of discharging**, which will allow the chlorine to dissipate naturally. This usually can be accomplished in 3 or 4 days, but could take as long as a week.

Use a standard test kit to test the chlorine content. The water should be **completely free of chlorine (less than 0.1 mg/L)** and the pH is at a normal level (6.5- 7.8) before discharging.

Chlorine free pool water with a normal pH level may be discharged onto vegetation located on your property. Be sure the discharge **does not** flow onto neighboring properties, cause soil erosion, create a nuisance, or run directly into any body of water (lake, stream, or wetland).



All measures should be taken to discharge the water to the ground. If this cannot be accomplished, consult with the [Minnesota Pollution](#)

[Control Agency \(MPCA\)](#) for an alternative solution.

In no circumstance should **chlorinated** water be discharged into a any surface water (storm sewer, sanitary sewer, ditch, lake, wetland, etc.) or onto vegetation. Doing so can cause serious damage to vegetation and to aquatic life.

#### Draining a Hot Tub

Hot tubs generally contain a much smaller volume of water than a swimming pool, therefore making water discharge less of an issue.

For more information on safely draining your swimming pool or hot tub, click [HERE](#).

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# City Wide Tree & Shrub Trimming On All Plow Routes

Several areas along city streets are becoming overgrown with trees and shrubs. Not only does this cause a hazard by obstructing visibility for drivers, cyclists, and pedestrians, but it is also problematic for snow plows and emergency vehicles.

The City of Lindström will be trimming trees and shrubs that are within the road right-of-way (ROW) to increase safety and to help minimize damage to plowing and emergency equipment. **This project could start as early as late September, weather dependent. We will only trim what is needed.**

## What is a Road Right-Of-Way?

### Definition

Right-of-way is a legal right of passage that allows someone the right to travel across property owned by someone else.

Land within the right-of-way is reserved for public use. This may be used for public streets, sidewalks, alleys, public and private utilities, etc. Right-of-way width varies by location. A typical residential street has a right-of-way width of approximately 60 feet.

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### § 90.23 TREES AND OTHER VEGETATIVE PLANTINGS IN CITY RIGHTS-OF-WAY AND EASEMENT AREAS.

(A) Planting trees or other vegetation in the boulevard (street right-of-way) is not allowed without a permit from the city. Trees and other vegetation planted within city rights-of-way shall be maintained by the city.

(B) The city may plant or maintain trees and other vegetation in city rights-of-way and may assess the abutting property for any benefit or costs associated with the planting, maintenance or removal of the tree or other vegetation, whether planted by the city or the property owner.

(C) Trees and other vegetation may be planted and maintained in drainage and utility easements without a permit from the city at the risk of the property owner and provided that the trees or vegetation do not interfere with access to or use of the easement.

(Ord. 04-11-02, passed 11-18-2004) [Penalty, see § 10.99](#)

### Example of a Road Right-of-Way (ROW):



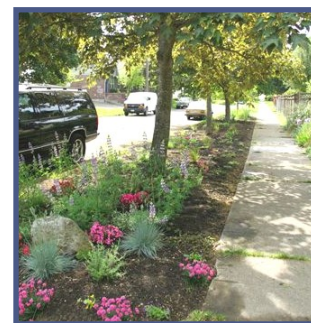
### What to do if your plantings are in the road right-of-way (ROW):

- Relocate your plantings to an area of your yard that is not in the ROW.
- If you choose to keep your plantings in the ROW, be aware that they may be trimmed or removed. Utility companies, as well as the City of Lindström, have the right to do so in the ROW, without compensating or notifying the property owner or tenant.
- Keep your neighborhood safer by keeping your trees and shrubs trimmed.

If you have questions regarding road right-of-way, please contact us at: 651-257-0620 or [contactus@cityoflindstrom.us](mailto:contactus@cityoflindstrom.us)

## Right-of-Way Planting

The City of Lindström prohibits planting of trees or other vegetation in the boulevard (road right-of-way). Trees and other vegetation may be planted and maintained in drainage and utility easements without a permit from the city at the risk of the property owner and provided that the trees or vegetation do not interfere with access to or use of the easement. ([Ordinance 90.23](#))



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# A Record Breaking Harmony In The Park Season

Lindström's [Harmony in the Park](#) FREE summer concert series runs for 10 consecutive Wednesdays every summer, and has grown bigger and better every year. 2022 was one for the record books, with a **season total of over 9,500 people!** Not a single concert had to be moved indoors due to weather this year, which contributed to the amazing turn out.

The American Legion kicked off the season with the opening ceremony, and the White Sidewalls rocked the crowd of over 1,000 concert goers with classic 50's and 60's. A wide variety of classic cars and trucks participated in the annual Joe Wishy Memorial Car Show.

Bob & the Beachcombers started out the Karl Oskar Days festivities with an energetic night of surfin' 60's and rockin' 70's. The Chisago Lakes Ambassadors greeted concert goers, and a wide variety of special games were available for the kids.

The season finale featured the Rockin' Hollywoods and the annual Chisago Lakes Lions Corn Feed. The River City Cloggers opened the evening. **A record breaking 1,414 attended!**



Photos courtesy of Gus Gulbranson



Photo courtesy of Gus Gulbranson

Our other headliner bands included World According to Garth, The Dweebs, 50's and 60's Revue, Monroe Crossing, Darlene & the Boys, A Hard Day's Night, and Lindley Creek. Each night of Harmony also had a corresponding event, such as Non-Profit Night, Law Enforcement Night, Lakes Appreciation Night, and much more. Special Olympics Olympian, [Josh Skordahl](#), was honored at Harmony for his many accomplishments. Members of the City Council and Park Board did the Warhead Challenge after being challenged by the City of Wyoming.

Follow our Facebook page and subscribe to city emails to receive the 2023 schedule when it becomes available in the spring. We can't wait to see what Rusty has planned for next year!

A special thank you to Rusty Johnson, the [Lindström Park Board](#), our 2022 sponsors, the many anonymous donors, and our awesome food vendors (Trinity Lutheran Youth, Mason's Sweets, Anderson's Ice Cream and Deutschland Meats), for making the 2022 Harmony in the Park summer concert series such an amazing season!

## Thank You, 2022 Harmony Sponsors!

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Click [HERE](#) for more sponsorship information, and to become a sponsor for 2023!

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# City Projects & Development Updates

**Golf Estates-** Multiple homes are under construction.

**Lindstrom Fire Hall-** Construction continues. Completion is anticipated for December 2022, with an early 2023 occupancy.

**Lindstrom Police Hall-** The City's Bonding Bill request for \$3,000,000 of State Bonding Bill money was included in the Governor's Bonding Bill request. The legislature failed to approve a bonding bill. We await next steps.

**Maple Street-** A one-way demonstration project will be discussed at a neighborhood meeting during the 9/1/22 Planning Commission meeting at 6:30pm. In neighborhood meetings that took place a few years ago, several residents requested this street to be converted into a one-way. To make sure this change works well for residents the city will put up temporary barriers to simulate a one-way street.

**Meredees/Peninsula-** The developer's requests for a final plat extension and TIF Development Agreement were denied by City Council at the August 18th, 2022 City Council meeting. The developer, if they wish to continue, must file the final plat, pay the required fees, and sign the development agreement by October 29, 2022. If they wish to obtain TIF Financing they must sign the TIF Development Agreement and start construction of the project by October 31, 2022. If these dates are missed, the developer must restart the application.

**Morning Sun Phase 4-** Construction began in June.

**Newlander/Elm Street Reconstruction-** This project began in mid-June. To receive water shut-off notifications and other important notices that affect the reconstruction zone and surrounding areas, subscribe to our city emails (click [HERE](#)).

**Olinda Apartments-** The building is occupied. The final stages of landscaping and the parking lot cul-de-sac are underway.

**Olinda Trail Multi-Use Trail (CSAH 25)-** Nearly complete. A few of the ramps will be redone soon. To learn more click [HERE](#).

**Park Street Parking Lot Utility Undergrounding-** Staff meeting for project kick off will be scheduled soon.

**Twin Oaks/Lyman Court Phase Two-** Construction began in July.

**Veteran's Housing (Tingsryd Gardens)-** The preliminary plat has been approved but has been put on hold until 2023.

## Upcoming Events

### Karl Oskar House Tours

Sundays, May Through Fall  
1pm - 4pm

[29101 Glader Blvd., Lindström](#)

To schedule a tour or visit the Karl Oskar House at Ki-Chi-Saga Park contact [friendsofkarloskarhouse@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofkarloskarhouse@gmail.com)



### Nordic Folk Music Jam

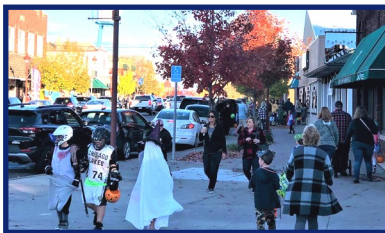
Sunday, September 25th  
1:30pm - 3:30pm

[29101 Glader Blvd., Lindström](#)

Listen to talented musicians play Nordic folk music under the astrakhan apple tree at the Karl Oskar House at Ki-Chi-Saga Park. Click [HERE](#) to follow Karl Oskar House events on Facebook.

Questions? Contact

[friendsofkarloskarhouse@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofkarloskarhouse@gmail.com)



### Trick or Treat on Main Street

Friday, October 28th  
4pm - 6pm

Throughout Downtown Lindström & at the Chisago Lakes Chamber  
[30525 Linden St., Lindström](#)

Trick or treat at our downtown businesses, and stop by the Chamber building for a goodie bag! **Business sponsors are needed-** contact the Chamber at 651-257-1177 or email [info@chisagolakeschamber.com](mailto:info@chisagolakeschamber.com)



### Small Business Saturday

Saturday, November 26th (All Day)

Check off items on your holiday list by shopping in **downtown Lindström**! This annual holiday falls on the Saturday after Thanksgiving (the day after Black Friday).

### 2022 Holiday Craft Fair

Saturday, December 3rd  
9am-4pm

[Lindström Community Center](#)  
[13292 Sylvan Avenue, Lindström](#)

Enjoy a fun day of shopping and community! The local Cub Scout Pack will be selling food, & vendor entry fees help support Lindström's Harmony in the Park FREE summer concert series.

#### Want to be a vendor?

Click [HERE](#).

A 10'x10' space is only \$25! Electric is an additional \$5 per space (limited spaces).



Visit our Community Events page for more info!

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## Build Gravel Beds for Tree Planting in Allemansrätt Park Sunday, Sept. 18 1pm-3pm

**Join us at Allemansrätt Park to help Great River Greening build gravel beds that will be used to plant bare root trees.**

**Afterwards, volunteers are welcomed to join the festivities at the park that day, courtesy of the Friends of Allemansrätt.**

**We're looking forward to seeing you:**

Allemansrätt Wilderness Park  
31316 Olinda Trail  
Lindstrom, MN

(More details provided upon registration)

**To learn more & register, scan the QR code or visit [greatrivergreening.org/events](http://greatrivergreening.org/events).**



**Questions? Contact:**

Amy Kilgore  
Outreach Program Manager  
[akilgore@greatrivergreening.org](mailto:akilgore@greatrivergreening.org)  
651.272.3989



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**Thank you to our partners and funders:**

The Outdoor Heritage Fund  
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Special thanks to  
Friends of Allemansrätt Park.

And volunteers like you



**[greatrivergreening.org](http://greatrivergreening.org)**

Click [HERE](http://greatrivergreening.org/events) to learn more and to register!

# Adopt-A-Drain to Help Keep Our Lakes Clean

Want to make a big difference in our community? Sign up to Adopt-a-Drain!



This program is available throughout the Twin Cities and other areas of Minnesota, as well as Massachusetts, Vermont, Washington, and New Jersey.

To date, over 500,000 pounds of debris has been collected from over 18,000 adopted drains throughout

Minnesota.

Just fifteen minutes twice a month makes a big impact on keeping our lakes clean. Storm drains flow directly to local lakes, rivers, and wetlands, acting as a conduit for trash and organic pollutants.

Leaves, grass, and dirt contain phosphorus, which feeds the algae that turn lakes green.

Adopt a storm drain in your neighborhood in just a few easy steps:

- [Sign up](#) Enter your address and select a drain on the map.
- [Keep your drain clear](#) of leaves, trash, and other debris to reduce

water pollution. (Click [HERE](#) for drain clearing tips)

- [Track your impact](#) Report after each cleaning, once a month, or once a year - whatever works for you.
- [Lead by example.](#) Let friends and neighbors know about your commitment and, if they ask, tell them about small things they can do at home to prevent water pollution.

For more information about the program, and for tips to prevent runoff pollution, click: <https://mn.adopt-a-drain.org/>

To instantly share this program on your Facebook page, click [HERE](#).



**äppelmust ("eppel muhst": apple cider)** Swedish must ("muhst"), or cider, is just as popular in Sweden during the fall as it is here. The warm and slightly spiced beverage is celebrated throughout Sweden at apple festivals (Äppelfest). In recent years, small batch breweries and orchards have added new twists to the old time favorite. Click [HERE](#) for more Autumn activities that are common in Sweden, such as Skördefestival (harvest festivals) and Höstmarknads (Autumn markets).

## September Meetings & Closures

### Meetings

Sept. 1	<b>Planning Commission:</b> 6:30pm
Sept. 12	<b>Park Board:</b> 6:00pm
Sept. 12	<b>Cable Commission:</b> 4:00pm (CLHS)
Sept. 13	<b>EDA (Economic Development Authority):</b> 7:30am
Sept. 14	<b>Police Commission:</b> 6:00pm (Chisago City City Hall)
Sept. 15	<b>City Council:</b> 7:00pm
Sept. 19	<b>Chisago Lakes Joint Sewer Treatment Commission:</b> 5:30pm
Sept. 29	<b>Library Commission:</b> 7:00pm (Chisago City Library)



- View our "City Calendar" on our website's home page for a complete schedule: [www.cityoflindstrom.us](http://www.cityoflindstrom.us)
- Click on the ["Agendas & Minutes"](#) button on the home page for more information.
- Click on ["Livestream Meetings"](#) on the home page to view a livestreamed meeting that is currently in progress, or to view a completed meeting that was previously livestreamed.

### City Hall Closed

Sept. 5      Labor Day



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# 2022 Primary And General Election Information

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Federal, State, and City Elections are held in even years every two years.

Primary Elections are the second Tuesday in August. 2022 Primary Election was: Tuesday, August 9, 2022 from 7am-8pm

General Elections are on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November. **2022 General Election: Tuesday, November 8, 2022 from 7am-8pm**

General Election filing dates for candidates for Lindstrom was August 2 to August 16, 2022. Filing occurred at Lindstrom City Hall.

Residents within CITY LIMITS of Lindstrom vote at the Lindstrom Community Center at Lindstrom City Hall [13292 Sylvan Ave, Lindstrom, MN 55045](#) (click for Google Maps).

If you are unsure of your voting location, or if your physical address is Lindstrom but you are actually located in a township, please click [HERE](#) to locate your correct polling place.



## Are you a registered voter?

You can wait until Election Day to register in Minnesota. However, we encourage you to register before Election Day - it will save you time at the polling place. The deadline to Pre-Register is 21 days before the election. To find out if you are registered to vote, click [HERE](#). To register to vote or to update your registration, click [HERE](#). You can also register or re-register at your designated polling place the day of the election.

If you have moved, changed your name, or have not voted in the last 4 years, you will need to re-register. To learn more about what documentation is needed to register in person at your polling place on Election Day, click [HERE](#).

Click [HERE](#) for the Chisago County website for additional voting information, such as:

- [Elected officials](#)
- [Candidate filing](#)
- [Campaign financial reporting](#)
- [Election judge info](#)
- [Absentee voting](#) (Click [HERE](#) to track your absentee ballot.)
- [Voting results](#)
- [Redistricting information](#)



## POLLING PLACE RULES:

- **Do not campaign in or near the polling place.** You have the right to vote without anyone in the polling place trying to influence your vote.
- **No opinions or political discussion** is to take place at the polls – neither by the judges, nor by the voters.
- **Do not wear campaign materials.** In the polling place, you cannot display campaign t-shirts, buttons or literature which relate to specific candidates, official political parties, or ballot questions on the ballot that day. You will need to either cover up or remove these items while in the polling place.
- **Do not enter a polling place unless you are authorized.** Only authorized people are allowed inside a polling place during voting hours, such as voters and their minor children, poll workers and someone assisting a voter. People may not gather or linger in the polling place or within 100 feet of the building.

For the Office of the Minnesota Secretary of State website, click [HERE](#).

For the Federal Elections Commission of the United States of America website, click [HERE](#).

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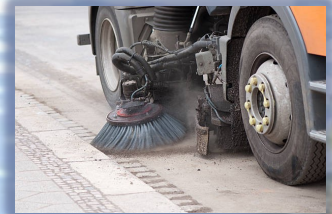
## Fall Notices & Reminders

### Winter Parking Restrictions Begin November 1st

- From November 1st to April 15th there is **NO PARKING** allowed on city streets between the hours of 2:00 am and 6:00 am or during snow events. This allows our crew to be able to plow in front of your house without having to plow around your vehicles.
- **During a snow event**, please avoid parking on city streets until the plows have cleared the road.
- If you live in downtown and use the city-owned Park Street Parking Lot for parking, you will need to obtain a winter parking pass. Please contact the **Lakes Area Police Department** for more information using their non-emergency number 651-257-0622 or stop in at **City Hall**.

### Street Sweeping

- Fall street sweeping generally starts in September, but could extend into October. Sign up for **email notifications** or follow us on **Facebook** for specific dates.
- The street sweeper moves very slow, so please keep a safe distance.



### Fire Hydrant Flushing

- Fall hydrant flushing begins in September, but could extend into October. You may experience low water pressure, which should resume to normal pressure shortly after the process is finished.
- “Spitting” or slight water discoloration can occur. If you experience this, let your water run for a short period of time to clear the pipes within your home.



## Recycling & Disposal Services

There is no official city-wide spring clean up day in Lindström, but we have several services available in the area. Click on the links below for more information, or visit our **Resident Information** page for additional resources.

- **Chisago County Household Hazardous Waste Disposal**
- **Chisago County Waste Disposal & Recycling**
- **Chisago County Prescription Disposal**
- **SRC Waste Transfer Station & Recycling Center**
- **Abandon, unlicensed & inoperable vehicle ordinances & unwanted vehicle disposal**

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## Recreational Fires

[See Ordinances 93.60-93.70](#)

Recreational fires are only permitted if they meet the following conditions:

- Fires must be small- no more than 3 feet in height and diameter.
- A non-combustible fire ring shall completely surround the fire area, and must be depressed below the ground. Materials such as cement, brick, blocks, etc. are recommended materials.
- Fires may not be located closer than 25 feet from any structure.
- Additional conditions apply. See [Ordinances](#) for more info.



All other fires require an Open Burning Permit. Recreational fires or [open burning](#) will not be allowed when the City of Lindström, the [Minnesota Pollution Control Agency](#), or the [MN Department of Natural Resources](#) has officially declared a burning ban due to potentially hazardous fire conditions or air quality alerts. If you have questions regarding fires or burning, or questions on how to obtain an Open Burning Permit, please call the [Lindström Fire Department](#) Fire Chief, Scott Sellman, at 651-248-7421 or email him at [ssellman@cityoflindstrom.us](mailto:ssellman@cityoflindstrom.us)

## Noise Ordinances

Noise from electronics, instruments, operation of equipment, gathering of people, etc. is not allowed between the hours of 10pm and 7am within the City Limits. Curfews and park hours are also enforced. (See Ordinances [93.18](#), [130.02](#), [94.02](#))

***Thanks for being a good neighbor!***

## Firearms & Hiking Safety During Hunting Seasons

It is unlawful to discharge weapons within City Limits (including all City parks and in [Allemansrätt Wilderness Park](#)). A weapon includes any firearm, air gun, pellet gun, B.B. gun, bow and arrow, crossbow or slingshot. ([Ordinance 130.01](#))

Please be aware that areas surrounding the City of Lindström and throughout Chisago County may not have such an ordinance. In fact, **it is quite common to hear gunfire during hunting seasons in the areas immediately surrounding Lindström.**

**To ensure your personal safety, keep in mind a few simple things while using trails and parks during the hunting season:**

- Be aware of trails that are closed during hunting season. For example, the [Swedish Immigrant Trail](#) closes during Firearm Deer Season. Check the [DNR website](#) for exact hunting dates.
- Know the hunting seasons in the region you are recreating. Check the [DNR website](#) for more information.
- Make yourself (and your dogs) visible. Wearing bright colors, such as orange, is always a good idea, regardless of the current hunting season. A brightly colored bandana or dog apparel for your pet is also a good idea.
- Keep your dogs leashed. Trapping seasons often coincide with hunting seasons, and dogs may be attracted to bait or scents used for trapping.
- Avoid trail and wilderness activities during high use hunting times such as: opening day, weekends, and

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## Leaves & Raking

Do not put yard waste, such as leaves, twigs, branches and grass clippings in your trash. Please contact your trash hauler to see if seasonal curb side pick up for yard waste is available, or bring your yard waste to our Area Compost Site (see below). Please also avoid raking or blowing leaves into the street (see "Storm Drain Care" below).



## Storm Drain Care

- Residents are urged not to blow leaves, grass, dirt, or other debris into the streets. This material can wash into the catch-basins and storm drains, causing them to become clogged and not function properly.
- This debris can also end up in our lakes, which results in excessive algae growth. To learn more about lake preservation, water quality and more, visit the [Chisago County Lake Improvement District \(CLID\)](#) website.

*Thanks for being a good steward of our lakes!*

## Lakes Area Compost Site Closes Mid-November

Weather permitting, the Lakes Area Compost Site is open from mid-April through the Saturday before Thanksgiving. Operating hours are Wednesdays 2pm - 7pm (or dusk), Saturdays 9am - 4pm, and Sundays 1pm - 4pm. The site may temporarily close during inclement weather.

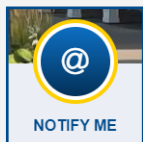
- Allowed:** Grass clippings, leaves, and brush up to 3" in diameter
- NOT Allowed:** Dimensional lumber, tires, appliances or household trash
- If available, wood chips, compost and black dirt are available for non-commercial use (for free!)
- No commercial businesses are allowed to haul to or from the site.



Please visit the our [Area Compost Site](#) website for exact season dates, regulations, resident and non-resident details, and directions.

Click [HERE](#) to view our Area Compost Site informational video!

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