



NEWSLETTER

A NOTE FROM THE MAYOR

Your Town

The Town of Lakeside is a great place to live. For a small town (under 2000 residents) we have a diverse group of neighborhoods. Some older, circa 1950s and some as late as the 2000's with others in between. As such, we also have varying ages for our infrastructure, water, sewer and streets.

Sewer is not everywhere in town, just the original portion where the neighborhood was developed with lots too small for septic systems. The sewer plant was rebuilt in 2008-2009 and made compliant with state regulations (or pay excessive fine and be shutdown)

Water system is also of varying age with some parts dating back to the WPA days (Early FDR time). It was further built using the "handyman system". Pieces added as required, without benefit of engineering and also documentation. For the past 10 years, valves and lines are often found while doing repair work. The worst condition water lines have been replaced with new lines. We recently added a new water tower as our existing tower could no longer sustain the town. At the same time, the water mains were upgraded for both capacity and water quality improvements. Further improvements are required to the mains and distribution lines.

Streets are being slowly improved. Potholes are being filled, crumble spots repaired, places where water system repairs occurred are being properly repaired. There is a planned resurfacing program for the town's streets. Most recent being Vanshire, which needed a section of water main replaced and service lines relocated, before paving work was started. Vanshire is just one of our more attractive neighborhoods but the terrain and street configuration are challenging. For this your county provided the manpower, expertise and equipment for the effort. The town pays for the materials used in the work. Also recently completed, work on Western Trails at the approach to CPR. This work added a load bearing concrete surface to prevent further damage by the water trucks to the intersection. So far, thanks to your support, all the above, is being done without increasing taxes

As always, check the Town's website for the latest information <http://www.lakesidetexas.us/>. There are a lot of things happening in Lakeside. The website is the easiest source for accurate information or call Town Hall (817) 237- 1234 to discuss your questions or attend council meetings which are on the second Thursday of the month.

TOWN HALL HOURS
Monday — Friday
7:30 am to 4:30 pm

MAYOR - Patrick Jacob

COUNCIL MEMBERS

PLACE 1 – Don Pitts

PLACE 2 – Kathy Livingston

PLACE 3 – Mayor Pro Tem
Kim Ware

PLACE 4 – Amy Robinson

PLACE 5 – Bill Mohr

Upcoming Events

Monday, June 5, 2017
Board of Adjustment Meeting
6:30 pm

Thursday, June 8, 2017
City Council Meeting at
6:30 pm

Tuesday, June 20, 2017
Planning & Zoning Meeting
6:30 pm

Wednesday, June 21, 2017
Bulk Item Pickup starts
7:00 am



SPECIFIC NORTH TEXAS MOSQUITOES THAT CARRY DISEASE



Culex quinquefasciatus



Aedes aegypti



Aedes Albopictus

Imported cases of both Zika and Chikungunya could make local spread of both viruses possible because the Aedes mosquitoes that transmit those viruses are found in Texas. While the Culex mosquito that carries West Nile Virus is active and bites only from dusk till dawn, Aedes mosquitoes, which carry Zika and Chikungunya, are active and bite during the day — so it's important for people to do what they can to eliminate mosquito breeding sites and to protect themselves again mosquito bites at all times.

Here are some tips from the Tarrant County Public Health Department

Keep Mosquitoes Away



Apply repellents when heading outside. Mosquitoes may bite at any time — day or night.

Wear repellents approved by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). They have been approved after being tested for negative effects.

Active ingredients for repellents may include DEET, picaridin, IR3535 or oil of lemon-eucalyptus.

Read the label before applying any repellent.

Do not apply repellents to eyes, nose, mouth, irritated skin, wounds or cuts.

Permethrin may be applied to clothing, bed nets or other supplies. Do not apply it directly on skin.

Be wary of household products that "work" as repellents. Many do not protect you.

Mosquitoes suck!

- Mosquitoes lay eggs on surfaces of containers that fill with water, and on standing water itself. Dispose of tires or drill drainage holes in them.
- Dump standing water.
- Female mosquitoes rest on walls and in vegetation. Trim bushes, trees and grass.
- Be sure screens on doors and windows are intact to keep mosquitoes out.
- Mosquitoes breed in tree rot holes. Fill them with sand or cement.
- A tablespoon of mineral oil can kill mosquitoes in small containers.
- Pesticides including *Bacillus thuringiensis israelensis* (Bti) or (s) methoprene may be used to combat mosquitoes.
- Wear insect repellents with DEET, picaridin, IR3535 or oil of lemon-eucalyptus. Follow label instructions.
- Wear light colored long sleeves & pants.

Backyard Checklist for Eliminating Mosquitoes



- Unclog gutters
- Drain flowerpot dishes
- Apply mosquito dunks, bits and briquettes to drains
- Dump plastic wading pools
- Dispose of unused tires or drill holes in them
- Turn wheelbarrows upside down
- Dump containers in yards
- Fill tree holes with sand or cement
- Check for leaky faucets and/or pipes
- Replace water in bird baths and animal dishes daily
- Place mosquito eating fish in ponds
- Check screens on windows and doors for tears
- Keep vegetation trim to prevent adult resting

MEDSTAR LAUNCHES NEW-AND-IMPROVED MEDSTAR SAVER MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM



For only \$69 per year, members and their families are protected from ambulance transport expense:



FORT WORTH, Texas (May 1, 2017) – MedStar, the regional governmental EMS agency and exclusive ambulance provider in Lakeside and 14 other cities, has launched the new-and-improved MedStar Saver membership program.

For only \$69 per year, the MedStar Saver program protects members and their families from (medically necessary) ambulance transport expenses, and memberships are available to those with or without insurance coverage. Enrollment is quick, easy and can now be done online by visiting www.MedStarSaver.org.

“We don’t want patients in our service area wasting precious time by hesitating to call 9-1-1 because they’re worried about the ambulance bill,” said Doug Hooten, chief executive officer at MedStar. “The MedStar Saver program gives families peace of mind in life’s emergencies, while also saving them from financial trauma, too.”

The average cost for an emergency transport is more than \$1,500, and even with insurance coverage, some patients may be left with an uncovered balance. All MedStar Saver members and their families are shielded from this expense, and protected with unlimited (medically necessary) ambulance services.

The MedStar Saver is available to anyone who lives or works in the MedStar service area, including the cities of Fort Worth, Blue Mound, Burleson, Edgecliff Village, Forest Hill, Haltom City, Haslet, Lakeside, Lake Worth, River Oaks, Saginaw, Sansom Park, Westover Hills, Westworth Village, and White Settlement.

In 2016, MedStar responded to 135,000 calls, so approximately 12 percent of its service area population needed an ambulance and nearly 18,000 of transports were billed direct to the patient due to lack of insurance.

“Every day, we meet over 300 patients who never thought they’d need an ambulance. No one plans on needing emergency transport, but a moment’s hesitation can have life-shattering effects,” added Hooten. “With the MedStar Saver program, members will never have to second-guess calling for help. \$69 per year is a small price to pay for peace of mind.”

About MedStar

Responding to over 140,000 calls each year, MedStar is the exclusive emergency and non-emergency ambulance service provider to over 880,000 residents throughout Fort Worth and 14 other Tarrant County cities including Haltom City, Burleson, Saginaw, White Settlement, Forest Hill, River Oaks, Lake Worth, Sansom Park, Westworth Village, Blue Mound, Edgecliff Village, Haslet, Lakeside and Westover Hills. Established in 1986, MedStar is governed by the Metropolitan Area EMS Authority Board of Directors. It is one of only 133 ambulance services in the U.S. to receive national accreditation by the Commission on Accreditation of Ambulance Services. The Texas Department of State Health Services also named MedStar the 2010 Texas EMS Provider of the Year. For more information, visit www.MedStar911.org

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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 4 | 5 Board of Adjustment Meeting 6:30 pm | 6 | 7 | 8 City Council Meeting 6:30 pm  | 9 | 10 |
| 11 | 12 | 13 MUNICIPAL COURT  | 14  | 15 Lakeside Garden Club 7 - 9 pm  | 16 | 17 |
| 18  | 19 Planning & Zoning Meeting 6:30 pm | 20 | 21  | 22 | 23 | 24 |
| 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | |

Election Results

Mayor- Patrick Jacob ■ Council Place 4 - Amy Robinson ■ Council Place 5 – William Mohr

Proposition 1. – to re-authorize a sale and use tax in the Town of Lakeside, Texas, at the rate of one-fourth of one percent to provide revenue for the maintenance and repair of municipal streets. - PASSED