

# Lakefield Police Department Community Update

June 2023



# L.P.D. UPDATE

Stay Aware & Stay Safe

## L.P.D. IS LOOKING FOR KIDS WEARING BIKE HELMETS

As part of AAA's "I Got Caught" campaign, Lakefield youth will be written a "citation" for a free small DQ cone for wearing a helmet while biking, scootering, skateboarding or in-line skating.

The LPD wants to encourage youth to wear a helmet in an effort to keep them safe and foster a lifelong appreciation for safety.

Supporting sponsors of the annual campaign include the Minnesota Sheriffs Association, the Minnesota Chiefs of Police Association, MN Toward Zero Deaths, AAA and DQ.



## CHIEF'S MESSAGE

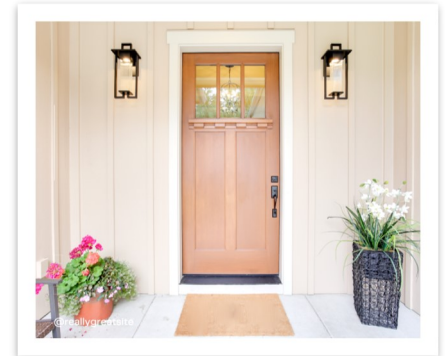
### CHAPTER 110: PEDDLERS, SOLICITORS, AND TRANSIENT MERCHANTS

**PEDDLER.** A person who goes from house to house, door to door, business to business, street to street, or any other type of place to place, for the purpose of offering for sale, displaying or exposing for sale, selling, or attempting to sell, and delivering immediately upon sale, the goods, wares, products, merchandise, or other personal property that the person is carrying or otherwise transporting.

#### 110.07 REGISTRATION

(A) All solicitors, and any person exempt from the licensing requirements of this subchapter under ' 110.03, shall be required to register with the city.

- (1) Persons engaging in door-to-door advocacy shall not be required to register.
- (2) For the purpose of this section, the following definition shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning.
- (3) DOOR-TO-DOOR ADVOCACY includes door-to-door canvassing and pamphleteering as vehicles for the dissemination of religious, political, and other ideas.



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*Roger D. Pohlman*

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## Door to Door Advocacy continued:

(B) Registration shall be made on the same form required for a license application, but no fee shall be required. Immediately upon completion of the registration form, the City Clerk shall issue to the registrant a certificate of registration as proof of the registration. Certificates of registration shall be non-transferable.

### 110.09 EXCLUSION BY PLACARD.

No peddler, solicitor, or transient merchant, unless invited to do so by the property owner or tenant, shall enter the property of another for the purpose of conducting business as a peddler, solicitor, or transient merchant when the property is marked with a sign or placard at least 4 inches long and 4 inches wide with print of at least 48 point in size stating A No Peddlers, Solicitors, or Transient Merchants, or A Peddlers, Solicitors, and Transient Merchants Prohibited, or other comparable statement. No person other than the property owner or tenant shall remove, deface, or otherwise tamper with any sign or placard under this section.



Print, cut, and post on your doors.

**Peddlers, Solicitors, or  
Transient Merchants,  
Prohibited.**



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## PARKING HOUSE TRAILER OR MOTOR HOME; PERMIT REQUIRED.

**71.06** No person shall leave or park a house trailer or motor home on any street or the right-of-way thereof, except on written permit from the Chief of Police.

**71.05 PARKING TIME LIMIT.** It is unlawful for any person to stop, park, or leave standing any vehicle or trailer upon any street for a continuous period in excess of **24 hours**.

### 10.99 GENERAL PENALTY

**B** The penalty which may be imposed for any petty offense which is a petty misdemeanor shall be a sentence of a fine of not more than \$300.

# RV PERMIT REQUIRED TO PARK IN CITY STREETS



PERMIT  
REQUIRED

# Golf Cart / ATV Permit Request



## City of Lakefield Golf Cart / ATV Permit Request

New Application     Renewal

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_      Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Driver's License Number: \_\_\_\_\_      Plate Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Insurance Company / Policy Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Office Use Only:

Permit Fee: \_\_\_\_\_

Fee paid: \_\_\_\_\_ (initial)

Permit Issued By: \_\_\_\_\_

### Vehicle Information

Golf Cart     ATV (4-wheeler, etc.)     Side-by-Side     Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Make/Model: \_\_\_\_\_      Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Serial Number: \_\_\_\_\_      Color: \_\_\_\_\_

By signing below, you are acknowledging the following:

- It is your responsibility to read, understand, and follow Ordinance Chapter 72
- Only those with a VALID driver's license are allowed to operate a motorized vehicle on City streets
- You are over the age of 18
- YOU are the party responsible for this vehicle and plate and you will not knowingly allow this vehicle to be operated in violation of Ordinance Chapter 72
- Golf carts MUST have a slow moving vehicle emblem attached to the rear of the cart and CANNOT be operated on Hwy 86, Co Rd 14 (Mill Rd), or Co Rd 20 (Okabena Rd) other than to cross them
- ATVs and side-by-sides are only authorized to operate on Hwy 86, Co Rd 14 (Mill Rd), or Co Rd 20 (Okabena Rd) if permitted by the State of Minnesota and/or Jackson County
- Any permitted vehicle may only be operated on designated roadways from sunrise to sunset, unless equipped with original equipment headlights, taillights and rear-facing brake lights. They may not be operated during hours of reduced visibility or inclement weather or conditions that prevent the operator from clearly seeing and vehicles on the road way at a distance of 500 feet.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Submitted: \_\_\_\_\_

**Submit**

# YARD OF THE WEEK— MAY 2023 WINNERS

The Yard of the Week award has been granted by the Lakefield Police Department to the following four home. We appreciate their contribution to making our community a more beautiful place to live.

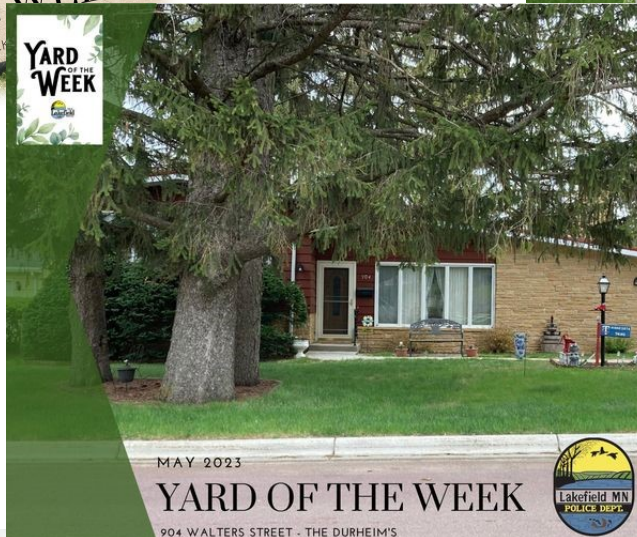
Nomination(s) can be made by emailing [pdchief@lakefieldmn.com](mailto:pdchief@lakefieldmn.com).



MAY 2023  
**YARD OF THE WEEK**  
101 MILWAUKEE STREET - THE HENDRICKS



MAY 2023  
**YARD OF THE WEEK**  
706 N HUNTER STREET - THE VOSS'S



MAY 2023  
**YARD OF THE WEEK**  
904 WALTERS STREET - THE DURHEIM'S



MAY 2023  
**YARD OF THE WEEK**  
11 MILL ROAD - THE BOTTIN'S



MAY 2023  
**YARD OF THE WEEK**  
315 SUMMER LANE - THE BERKEVICH'S

507.662.5353 | 301 Main Street

# YARD OF THE WEEK STARTING THIS MONTH

The Lakefield Police Department Launches *'Keep Lakefield Beautiful'* Program

## Get Ready, Get Set, and Beautify!

We are excited to announce the Keep Lakefield Beautiful Program, the 'Yard of the Week' program, recognizing residents who strive to beautifully maintain their lawns and add to the overall appeal of the Lakefield community.

Keep Lakefield Beautiful is established to promote goodwill and reward lawn care in the community. The purpose of the program is to recognize neighbors who demonstrate average and above-average efforts in maintaining their property, thereby contributing to the overall appearance of the community at large.

For the months of **May 1, 2023, through October 31, 2023**, the Lakefield Police Department will choose a lawn that best typifies the qualities of uniqueness, beauty, appeal, and consistency with the guidelines. In addition, the Committee will select one residential yard every Monday. The winner will be provided with a decorative flag to display, indicating their yard as a **"Yard of the Week"** winner. Also, a photo of the yard will be shared on the city's website, social media accounts and submitted to the Lakefield Standard.

### Yard of the Week Guidelines

All residential properties within the city limits are automatically eligible. Award winners are selected based on the recommended judging criteria listed below.

- Key criteria include manicured yard, beautification, originality, and creativity.
- The upkeep of the yard can reflect the residents' efforts or that of a professional landscaper groundskeeper.
- An award duration term lasts a single calendar week and runs from Monday to Sunday.
- The same property cannot receive more than one award in a 12-month calendar period. At least 12 months must lapse between awards for the same yard.
- While an individual's home is being recognized as a **"Yard of the Week,"** they are expected to maintain their yard in the same manner that allowed them to win the title.



### JUDGING CRITERIA:

The Lakefield Police Department will judge solely on the total exterior appearance of their property. Therefore, general upkeep of the yard and property is paramount. Factors include the overall appearance, tidiness, and neatness of the front of the property as evidenced by pruned, trimmed, and shaped foliage, edged and defined lawns, borders & flower beds and a visually appealing facade. Each yard will be chosen from the nominations given to the Lakefield Police Department or an officer's choice. Nominations are encouraged and can be made by emailing [pdchief@lakefieldmn.com](mailto:pdchief@lakefieldmn.com).

**LAWN:** Grass should be healthy with no bare spots or excessive weeds. Grass shall be mowed and trimmed around foundations and fences. Debris shall be picked up and removed. A unified, simple, balanced landscape design is preferred.

**LANDSCAPE & FLOWER BEDS:** Beds shall be weeded and edged, flowers must be deadheaded and dead plants removed, trees and shrubs pruned, and natural areas clean. Beautification efforts should include new plants, flowers, trees, shrubs, etc.

**WALKWAYS & DRIVEWAYS:** Walkways and driveways shall be clean (including trash containers or yard products removed from view). The area in front of the curb must be free from debris and dirt. The appearance after dusk includes accent, safety, and visible interior lighting, if applicable.

**AESTHETICS:** The overall look of landscaping (formal versus informal, use of color and textures, garden art) is essential. The front entryway should be inviting, with original and creative touches to show personality (hanging baskets, pots, yard art, bird feeders, etc.)

The Lakefield Police Department is dedicated to improving our community's quality of life and appearance. We encourage residents to take pride in their homes and neighborhood. In turn, we look to celebrate those who do a superior job in keeping their yards in such a way that they enhance the overall curb appeal of the entire community.

Nomination(s) can be made by emailing [pdchief@lakefieldmn.com](mailto:pdchief@lakefieldmn.com).

**Ready, Set, buy your bulbs!**



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Tornadoes are violently rotating columns of air that extend from a thunderstorm to the ground. Tornadoes can destroy buildings, flip cars, and create deadly flying debris.

**A tornado can:**

- Happen anytime and anywhere.
- Bring intense winds, over 200 miles per hour.

Look like funnels.

- **Know the signs of a tornado**, including a rotating, funnel-shaped cloud, an approaching cloud of debris, or a loud roar like a freight train.

**Sign up for your community's warning system.** NOAA Weather Radio also provide [emergency alerts](#). If your community has sirens, then become familiar with the warning tone.

- **Pay attention to weather reports.** Meteorologists can predict when conditions might be right for a tornado. KKOJ radio 97.7 FM 1190 AM

**Identify and practice going to a safe shelter** such as a [safe room built using FEMA criteria](#) or a storm shelter built to ICC 500 standards. The next best protection is a small, interior, windowless room or basement on the lowest level of a sturdy building.

**Plan for your pet.** They are an important member of your family, so they need to be included in your family's emergency plan.

**Prepare for long-term stay at home or sheltering in place** by gathering [emergency supplies](#), cleaning supplies, non-perishable [foods](#), [water](#), medical supplies and medication.

- **Immediately go to a safe location that you have identified.**
- **Pay attention to EAS, NOAA Weather Radio, or local alerting systems** for current emergency information and instructions.
- **Protect yourself** by covering your head or neck with your arms and putting materials such as furniture and blankets around or on top of you.

**Do not try to outrun a tornado in a vehicle** if you are in a car. If you are in a car or outdoors and cannot get to a building, cover your head and neck with your arms and cover your body with a coat or blanket, if possible.

Learn more: <https://www.ready.gov/tornadoes>



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# **SOUTHWEST CRISIS CENTER [www.swcc.org](http://www.swcc.org) (print & save)**

The Southwest Crisis Center exists to support individuals impacted by sexual and domestic violence and human trafficking.

The SWCC provides direct services to primary and secondary survivors and victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, sex trafficking, sexual harassment, stalking, and child abuse. We are the initial contact for victims in crisis through our 24-hour safe line as well as through referrals from law enforcement, medical personnel, court administration, and other agencies such as churches, health and human service groups, and mental health centers; many victims also “walk-in.”

**There is no age limitations on services.** We also have a youth program which is designed to provide services, outreach, and education to youth, families, schools, and communities.

We serve residents of **Jackson, Cottonwood, Nobles, Rock, and Pipestone counties** who are or have been victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, sex trafficking, sexual harassment, stalking, and child abuse.

Our primary purpose is to serve any and all victims who seek our services (unless a conflict of interest is present) but we also serve victims who have immigrant and refugee status (English and non-English speaking). We will give information and/or referrals if individuals do not meet our criteria for services.

**24 HOUR SAFE LINE**

**1.800.376.4311**

**YOUTH TEXT LINE**

**218.666.8336**





# SCAM OF THE MONTH

## Amazon impersonators: what you need to know

Has Amazon contacted you to confirm a recent purchase you didn't make or to tell you that your account has been hacked?

These scams can look a few different ways. In one version, scammers offer to "refund" you for an unauthorized purchase but "accidentally transfer" more than promised. They then ask you to send back the difference. What really happens? The scammer moves your own money from one of your bank accounts to the other (like your Savings to Checkings, or vice versa) to make it look like you were refunded. Any money you send back to "Amazon" is your money (not an overpayment) — and as soon as you send it out of your account, it becomes theirs. In another version of the scam, you're told that hackers have gotten access to your account — and the only way to supposedly protect it is to buy gift cards and share the gift card number and PIN on the back. Once that information is theirs, the money is, too.

Here are some ways to avoid an Amazon impersonator scam:

- **Never call back an unknown number.** Use the information on Amazon's website and not a number listed in an unexpected email or text.

**Don't pay for anything with a gift card.** Gift cards are for gifts. If anyone asks you to pay with a gift card – or buy gift cards for anything other than a gift, it's a scam.

**Don't give remote access to someone who contacts you unexpectedly.** This gives scammers easy access to your personal and financial information—like access to your bank accounts.

Have you spotted this scam? Report it at [ReportFraud.ftc.gov](https://www.ftc.gov/identity-theft).

If you think someone has gotten access to your accounts or personal information, visit [IdentityTheft.gov](https://www.identitytheft.gov). There, you'll find steps to take to see if your identity has been misused, and how to report and recover from identity theft.

Learn more at [Consumer Advice | Federal Trade Commission \(ftc.gov\)](https://www.consumer.ftc.gov) [www.consumer.ftc.gov](https://www.consumer.ftc.gov)





# EMERGENCY PLAN

WATER  
MEDICATION  
COMMUNICATION  
FOOD  
PETS  
A FAMILY PLAN  
A BUSINESS PLAN



LET'S MAKE LAKEFIELD DISASTER RESILIENT

## EMERGENCY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATIONS

The Do 1 Thing is a twelve-month preparedness program that focuses on a different area of emergency preparedness each month.

Do 1 Thing is designed to help people take small steps toward personally preparing for emergencies or disasters.

### What residents can do:

#### Download a 12 month plan

<https://www.do1thing.com/individuals/> and [download a 12 month plan.](#)

### What businesses can do:

Download a 12 month plan <https://www.do1thing.com/business/>

### Subscribe to Jackson County Emergency Alerts

<https://account.civicplus.com/identity/CivicPlusLogin?signin=ac78cf6f75410930bd08679f85f92e22>

## Clip & Save Phone Numbers

For all emergencies  
dial **911**

**Lakefield Police Dept.**  
1-507-662-5353

**Jackson County  
Dispatch Services**  
507-847-4420

**Human Trafficking  
Hotline**  
1-888-373-7888

**Lakefield City Hall**  
507-662-5457

**Suicide & Crisis Line**  
988

**Domestic Assault  
Victims (SW Crisis Ctr.)**  
800-376-4311

**MN SW Crisis Center  
24 hour SAFE Line**  
800-376-4311

**MN SW Crisis Center  
Youth Text Line**  
218-666-8336

**MN Elder Justice Center**  
651-440-9312

**Violence Free  
Minnesota**  
1-800-333-SAFE

**Minnesota Coalition  
Against Sexual Assault**  
800-964-8847

**The Council for  
Prevention of Domestic  
Violence**  
712-362-4612

**Des Moines Valley Health  
and Human  
Services**  
1-800-662-5207

**Jackson Cnty. Court**  
507-800-7003

**Jackson Medical Cntr.**  
507-847-2420

