



2025 WEEKLY UPDATE

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
FROM: JUSTIN MILLER, CITY ADMINISTRATOR
DATE: September 12, 2025

"May your choices reflect your hopes, not your fears." – Nelson Mandela

PUBLIC WORKS

Engineering

- The City's new Graduate Engineer, Grace Ellis, joined the team this week. Grace is a Fort Lewis College graduate from Durango, Colorado, and completed multiple student internships with the cities of Bloomington, Chanhassen, and Eagan. Please stop by the Engineering Department to welcome her and introduce yourself.

Streets, Fleets, Constructions Services and Utilities

- Street crews are actively patching roads across the city as weather allows.
- Streets staff are spray patching high iron areas in preparation for plow season.
- Street staff are working on pre-con storm sewer inspections for next year's projects.
- Utilities staff repaired a sewer service on Ipswich Way.
- Utilities staff are inspecting water and sewer infrastructure for next year's road projects.
- Utilities staff started cleaning sanitary sewer "trouble spots". These lines are cleaned twice per year because of issues like grease buildup, sag in the pipe, or roots in the pipe.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Recreation and Heritage Center

- A local small home school/charter school began using one of our park buildings for their classes two days per week through the school year.
- Staff is working with Downtown Bicycle to offer spring bike workshops
- Seasonal Warming House Attendant and Warming House Supervisor positions have been posted online. We are now accepting applications and expect to hire around 50 seasonal staff members for the upcoming winter season.
- The Heritage Center is getting a new roof; work began on September 6. This project will take 3-5 weeks, weather dependent.

- Summer activities are winding down this month. The second week of October will be the last day of the season.
- Beginning in January, The Heritage Happenings Newsletter will be getting a facelift. We are working on and preparing the new template. Also in January, the Heritage Center will roll out a new logo and name. Exciting things are coming to the Heritage Center.

Arts Center

- New blinds are being installed in the theater.
- River Valley Church is back at the Arts Center. They are bringing in 200-300 people and utilizing 8-10 spaces per week every Tuesday for the next 10 weeks.
- Casperson Park light and sound equipment is coming back to the Arts Center on Monday, September 15, to set up for the Art Festival and the coming season of concerts.
- Auditions for Expressions Community Theater’s winter show, *The Mousetrap*, have been posted.
- The Community Band is working on a collaboration for Holiday on Main and the tree lighting ceremony with Lakeville Lions and The Lakeville Community Choir.
- Fine Arts programming staff are combing through the fine details of 117 courses that will be in the winter and spring class catalog.

COMMUNICATIONS

- [Sun Thisweek](#): features new art classes this fall, Art Festival September 20-21, Tour of Lakeville Bike Ride September 20, 9-11 a.m. and several new job openings including Communications Specialist, Facility Attendant at the Arts Center and Seasonal Warming House Staff.
- Media productions for social media:
 - Lakeville Area Arts Center: [Lake Wobegon Brass Band](#)
 - [New Leash Law](#) in Lakeville
 - MMCD [Tire Recycling Event](#)
 - Lakeville Planning Commission: [September 4](#)
 - LPD: [Fun Facts with Nora!](#) (part of a series)
 - FiRST Center [Timelapse](#)
 - 2025 Haunted Forest Festival [Volunteers Needed](#)
 - LAAC: [Comedian Jessi Campbell October 4](#)
 - LAAC: [Robby Vee October 11](#)

Upcoming Meetings of the Council

September 15 2025	Regular Meeting	6:00 p.m.
October 6, 2025	Regular Meeting	6:00 p.m.
September 22, 2025	Work Session	6:00 p.m.

Informational Attachments:

- Police Department Weekly Report
- Fire Department Weekly Report
- Lakeville Liquors Weekly Report



Lakeville Police Department Update

Sunday, August 31 – Saturday, September 6, 2025

956 Calls for Services



186 TRAFFIC STOPS



32 SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY



3 DOMESTICS



19 AUTO ACCIDENTS



9 THEFTS



3 CRISIS MENTAL HEALTH
12 WELFARE CHECKS
0 SUICIDE THREAT/
ATTEMPT/DEATH



25 ALARM BURGLAR
0 FIRE ALARM



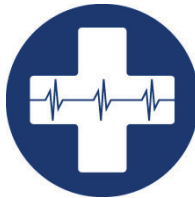
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17 ANIMAL CALLS



2 BURGLARY



24 MEDICALS



3 VANDALISM/DAMAGE
PROPERTY



0 DRUG ACTIVITY



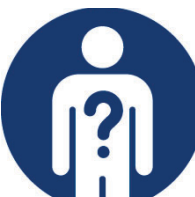
4 CHILD PROTECTION



18 DISTURBANCES



2 DRUNKENNESS



6 MISSING PERSON



2 SHOPLIFTING



Lakeville Police Department Update

Sunday, August 31 – Saturday, September 6, 2025

Weekly Review

Please note, the Weekly Review does not include all calls to which the Lakeville Police Department responded. Incidents included here are based on severity, impact on public safety or other factors.

- Officers completed a hit and run property damage report at 202nd Street and Dodd Boulevard. The suspect refused to stop after the accident and was located later on by officers and cited for driving with a revoked license, failure to provide proof of insurance, and leaving the scene of an accident.
- Another property damage accident occurred at Jaguar Path and Kenwood Trail. The at-fault driver stopped at the stop sign but then pulled out in front of traffic on Kenwood Trail causing the collision. They were cited for failure to yield.
- Officers responded to a vehicle collision at Pilot Knob Road and 179th Street West where one vehicle was hauling a couch, that flew out of his truck and struck another vehicle. The driver of the truck was driving after revocation and had no insurance and was cited for multiple offenses.
- A theft report was completed for a \$6000 four-seater golf cart that was stolen from 8XXX 202nd Street West. The following day the golf cart was located nearby with no damage.
- Officers responded to a two-vehicle crash at Holyoke Avenue and 194th Street West. The at-fault driver failed to yield to the right of way to the other vehicle on Holyoke causing the collision and was cited.
- Officers responded to a theft at 17XXX Judicial Road where two victims had their purses and sever thousand dollars worth of electronics stolen from their vehicles while they were unloading them. The investigation is currently ongoing, but this is a reminder to always lock your vehicles even if you are quickly returning.
- Two vehicles at 19XXX Juno Trail and their windows smashed in, and their wallets and purses stolen from inside. The investigation is ongoing, but this serves as a reminder to keep your valuables out of sight.
- Officers responded to a report of a male passed out in the front seat of a vehicle. Contact was made with the subject who was passed out in the drivers seat with the keys in the ignition. Officers observed signs of impairment and after the driver failed the standard field sobriety tests, he was placed under arrest for DWI and transported to Dakota County Jail.
- Officers were dispatched to a past action burglary where the victim reported her ex-fiancé and entered her residence and destroyed her property. Officers located the suspect and provided a statement admitting to entering the residence and damaging property after becoming enraged over their relationship. The suspect was ultimately arrested for burglary and damage to property and was subsequently transported to Dakota County Jail.



Lakeville Fire Department Update Sunday, August 31 – Saturday, September 6



FIRES
2



VEHICLE ACCIDENTS
4



MEDICAL
54



FIRE ALARMS
5



GOOD INTENT
10



HAZARDOUS
CONDITIONS
4



SERVICE CALLS
2



INSPECTIONS
31



PLAN REVIEW
7



PRE-PLANS
44



PERMITS ISSUED
7



CHILD CAR SEAT
5



FOOD TRUCK LICENSE
1

Lakeville Liquors

September 7 - September 13, 2025

Weekly Summary



Store Highlights

Heritage Location	Galaxie Location	Kenrick Location	Keokuk Location
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Heritage has brought in some new and affordable craft spirits. Helix Vodka and Askur Gin are both French spirits blended with Icelandic water.



Galaxie has an Angel's Envy Bourbon beautifully displayed along with their 3-D signage.



"Sierra Nevada has rolled out their newest addition, Sierra Nevada Pils – a crisp, refreshing take on the classic pilsner style."



New uniform shirts and hooded sweatshirts have arrived this week. All staff will receive one new shirt and a new hoodie. Looking good and feeling good!



Limited - Downeast Cider Pumpkin Blend

This classic seasonal product is back for a limited time only! An unfiltered blend of apples, pumpkin and delicious chai spices. They say if fall were a drink - this would be it!

Metrics

September 1-8 Sales Summary				Change in %
Heritage	\$111,840	2024	\$124,194	Decrease 9.9%
Galaxie	\$118,404	2024	\$138,447	Decrease 14.5%
Kenrick	\$96,295	2024	\$101,601	Decrease 5.2%
Keokuk	\$112,812	2024	\$114,591	Decrease 1.5%
Combined	\$439,349	2024	\$478,831	Decrease 8.2%
September 1-8 Customer Count				Change in %
Heritage	3,974	2024	4,317	Decrease 7.9%
Galaxie	4,620	2024	5,106	Decrease 9.5%
Kenrick	3,713	2024	3,809	Decrease 2.5%
Keokuk	3,678	2024	3,607	Increase 2.0%
Combined	15,985	2024	16,839	Decrease 5.1%
September 1-8 Sales Per Transaction				Change in %
Heritage	\$28.15	2024	\$28.80	Decrease 2.3%
Galaxie	\$25.64	2024	\$27.11	Decrease 5.4%
Kenrick	\$25.93	2024	\$26.68	Decrease 2.8%
Keokuk	\$30.67	2024	\$31.77	Decrease 3.5%
Combined	\$27.49	2024	\$28.45	Decrease 3.4%

January 1 - September 8 Sales Summary				Change in %
Heritage	\$3,700,835	2024	\$3,794,062	Decrease 2.5%
Galaxie	\$4,082,801	2024	\$4,339,462	Decrease 5.9%
Kenrick	\$3,127,763	2024	\$3,248,782	Decrease 3.7%
Keokuk	\$3,724,346	2024	\$3,791,678	Decrease 1.8%
Combined	\$14,635,746	2024	\$15,173,984	Decrease 3.5%
January 1 - September 8 Customer Count				Change in %
Heritage	128,777	2024	132,013	Decrease 2.5%
Galaxie	150,236	2024	156,371	Decrease 3.9%
Kenrick	115,357	2024	118,932	Decrease 3.0%
Keokuk	117,077	2024	115,409	Increase 1.4%
Combined	511,447	2024	522,725	Decrease 2.2%
January 1 - September 8 Sales Per Transaction				Change in %
Heritage	\$28.75	2024	\$28.82	FLAT -
Galaxie	\$27.18	2024	\$27.78	Decrease 2.2%
Kenrick	\$27.13	2024	\$27.33	FLAT -
Keokuk	\$31.83	2024	\$32.89	Decrease 3.2%
Combined	\$28.63	2024	\$29.07	Decrease 1.5%

- A cooler than average start to September made our metrics decrease. With the weather warming back up this week, I am confident we will see a spike in sales. New uniforms shirts and hooded sweatshirts will be distributed this week. Thank you all for your hard work!

Winston Churchill

“Success consists of going from failure to failure without loss of enthusiasm.”
