



2025

WEEKLY UPDATE

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
FROM: JUSTIN MILLER, CITY ADMINISTRATOR
DATE: November 21, 2025

"Obstacles are what you see when you take your eyes off the goal." – Vince Lombardi

PUBLIC WORKS

Streets, Fleets, Constructions Services and Utilities

- Streets continue to complete fall road sweeping and right-of-way tree pruning.
- Utilities repaired two water main breaks this week. One was by McGuire Middle School and the other by the intersection of Hominy Ct and Highview Ave.
- Utilities staff attended the Metro Wastewater Operators Conference.
- Utilities staff repaired a sewer main that was damaged near the intersection of Upper 167th St and Glenwood Ave.

Environmental Resources/Forestry

- Environmental and Streets started pond and outfall inspections for the year – we are required to inspect 20% of ponds and outfalls each year to meet state requirements. This year we also included some sump inspections to see what, if any, can be filled to reduce future maintenance needs. About 250 inspections have been completed so far.
- MNL conducted the native forb seeding in Phase II areas at Ritter this week which completes their work for that Phase for 2025.
- Landbridge conducted a raingarden reset at Heritage Raingarden at City Hall and seeding at Michaud and Silvarum. Seeding of the Heritage garden will take place before the end of the year.
- Kate Ferrell had a poster presentation at U of MN regarding the internship at Lakeville. The presentation looked great and did a great job showcasing some of the work she has done with Lakeville during her internship. Staff attended the event.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Recreation and Heritage Center

- We are grateful for our partnership with Dakota County Parks. In 2025, we collaborated on six programs, serving a total of 84 participants across a variety of topics. The most popular programs included Squirrels, Night Hike, and the upcoming Backyard Astronomy class on November 25.
- Special mailboxes are located in City Hall and the Arts Center – kids can drop off letters to Santa and personalized replies will be sent back to them.

Arts Center

- River Valley Church just finished an 11-week rental during which they filled nearly every space at the Arts Center every Tuesday night! They have been great renters, and we hope to continue the partnership.
- Lakeville Area Community Band is busy preparing for a series of holiday-themed concerts. [Click here](#) to see what they have coming up!
- Expressions Community Theater has begun the process of show selection for the 2026-27 Season and successfully opened their Holiday show – A Hunting Shack Christmas last Saturday. This show is hilarious and sweet and is so Minnesota, ya know? So put yer flannel on and buy those tickets today! They're selling fast!
- 153 bowls were glazed in anticipation of the Empty Bowls fundraiser during Pub Night on Wednesday, December 3. A huge thank you to Sonya Honaker, Maya O'Reilly, and numerous volunteers for coordinating and creating them for this benefit.
- Planning for summer and fall is underway. We are starting to receive class proposals for June to December 2026, and staff are beginning to arrange the calendar.
- Labels are currently being created for the Instructor Exhibition at Lakeville Area Arts Center, which opens on Tuesday. Come check out the personal artwork of our talented instructors!
- Artwork by Michael Brown is currently being prepped to be hung at City Hall. His photography will be up until the new year.

COMMUNICATIONS

- [Sun Thisweek](#): our full-page ad publishes for the last time on December 12.
- Our new Communications Specialist starts on December 1. We will send out an introduction on their first day!
- Media productions for social media:
 - Lakeville City Council meeting: [November 17](#)
 - Business Spotlight: [Sweet Harvest Foods](#)
 - LAAC: [Holiday on Main!](#) Help us make door hanger gifts for seniors on December 6, 10-2
 - ["A Hunting Shack Christmas"](#) and [Tickets are still available](#) for November 21-22, 29 at 7 p.m. and November 23 & 28 at 2 p.m.

Upcoming Meetings of the Council

November 24, 2025	Work Session	6:00 p.m.
December 1, 2025	Regular Meeting	6:00 p.m.
December 8, 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, November 9 – Saturday, November 15, 2025

832 Calls for Services



228 TRAFFIC STOPS



33 SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY



1 DOMESTICS



28 AUTO ACCIDENTS



5 THEFTS



9 CRISIS MENTAL HEALTH
8 WELFARE CHECKS
0 SUICIDE THREAT/
ATTEMPT/DEATH



12 ALARM BURGLAR
0 FIRE ALARM



8 FRAUD



22 ANIMAL CALLS



0 BURGLARY



19 MEDICALS



2 VANDALISM/DAMAGE
PROPERTY



2 DRUG ACTIVITY



7 CHILD PROTECTION



24 DISTURBANCES



1 DRUNKENNESS



4 MISSING PERSON



2 SHOPLIFTING



Lakeville Police Department Update

Sunday, November 9 – Saturday, November 15, 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.

- Following a complaint of a driver drinking before entering a gas station and throwing his empty can away, officers conducted a traffic stop. The driver was displaying signs of impairment and failed the standard field sobriety testing. The driver provided a breath sample of .16 blood alcohol content and was booked into Dakota County Jail on 3rd degree DWI charges.
- Officers investigated a theft of shoplifting from two local department stores. The suspect admitted to the theft and returned the items. Officers are following up with the stores for surveillance and will be mailing a citation.
- Community Service Officers took custody of a found dog near 8XXX 207th Street and right before impounding at Dakota Pet Hospital, the dog was released to the owner in the parking lot.
- Officers stopped a vehicle for a sign and release warrant for an insurance violation. After the sign and release was completed, the driver was released with a citation for no proof of insurance and expired registration.
- Following a road and driving complaint in which the driver was lighting tinfoil and struggling to maintain her lane, officers conducted a traffic stop and the driver was taken into custody after admitting to smoking marijuana while driving.
- Officers conducted a traffic stop for speed and found the driver to be exhibiting signs of impairment. The driver provided a DMT sample of .08 blood alcohol content and was issued a citation for 4th degree DWI and was released to a sober party.
- Officers documented a two-vehicle crash at 160th Street West and Elmhurst Lane where the at-fault driver failed to yield to oncoming traffic before turning onto 160th Street. The at-fault driver was cited for failure to drive with due care.
- A vehicle was stopped for multiple driving violations and was found to be displaying signs of impairment. The driver performed poorly on the standard field sobriety tests and provided a preliminary breath test of .155 blood alcohol content. The driver was arrested for 4th degree DWI and was released to a sober adult.
- Officers stopped a vehicle for driving the wrong way. The driver exhibited signs of impairment and failed the standard field sobriety testing. The driver provided a breath sample of .141 blood alcohol content and was subsequently arrested for 4th degree DWI.



Lakeville Fire Department Update

Sunday, November 9–Saturday, November 15



FIRES
2



VEHICLE ACCIDENTS
1



MEDICAL
38



FIRE ALARMS
3



GOOD INTENT
13



HAZARDOUS
CONDITIONS
1



SERVICE CALLS
4



INSPECTIONS
61



PLAN REVIEW
14



PRE-PLANS
30



PERMITS ISSUED
16



TEMP HEAT PERMITS
10



FIRE PREVENTION
3



CHILD CAR SEAT
1



FIRE STATION TOURS
1

Lakeville Liquors

November 16 - November 22, 2025

Weekly Summary



Store Highlights

Heritage Location



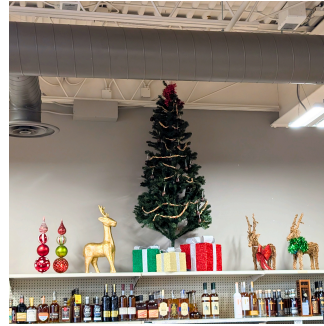
Heritage has a little stocking-stuffer/grab n go area for the holidays! Find some great gifts for the holidays!

Galaxie Location



What is that?!?! Yes, Galaxie now has the 3 liter bottle of Jack Daniels on the shelf. Grab one for the holidays!

Kenrick Location



Kenrick is getting into the holiday spirit with a little seasonal display refresh!

Keokuk Location



Keokuk is ready for the holiday rush! Bubbles make everything better!

James E. Pepper Store Pick is Here

We've teamed up with our friends at 1010 Washington and are proud to bring Minnesota its first James E. Pepper Decanter Bourbon store pick. This carefully, hand-selected pour will make the perfect seasonal sip or gift for anyone looking this holiday season - while supplies last only!

Our stores have many upcoming in-store tasting events coming up - including Friendsgiving Celebrations this weekend in preparation for the holiday and Santa visits in December! Check out our Facebook event section or our online event calendar for more info.



Metrics

November 1-17 Sales Summary				Change in %
Heritage	\$242,714	2024	\$263,206	Decrease 7.8%
Galaxie	\$259,764	2024	\$299,945	Decrease 13.4%
Kenrick	\$214,163	2024	\$225,170	Decrease 4.9%
Keokuk	\$240,565	2024	\$259,730	Decrease 7.3%
Combined	\$957,207	2024	\$1,048,051	Decrease 8.7%

November 1-17 Customer Count				Change in %
Heritage	8,366	2024	9,150	Decrease 8.6%
Galaxie	9,698	2024	10,931	Decrease 11.3%
Kenrick	7,734	2024	8,251	Decrease 6.4%
Keokuk	7,612	2024	8,136	Decrease 6.4%
Combined	33,410	2024	36,468	Decrease 8.4%

November 1-17 Sales Per Transaction				Change in %
Heritage	\$29.02	2024	\$28.79	FLAT +
Galaxie	\$26.79	2024	\$27.44	Decrease 2.4%
Kenrick	\$27.69	2024	\$27.30	Increase 1.4%
Keokuk	\$31.61	2024	\$31.94	Decrease 1.0%
Combined	\$28.66	2024	\$28.75	FLAT -

January 1 - November 17 Sales Summary				Change in %
Heritage	\$4,734,740	2024	\$4,874,443	Decrease 2.9%
Galaxie	\$5,208,460	2024	\$5,533,145	Decrease 5.9%
Kenrick	\$4,026,999	2024	\$4,162,334	Decrease 3.3%
Keokuk	\$4,773,631	2024	\$4,854,252	Decrease 1.7%
Combined	\$18,743,831	2024	\$19,424,173	Decrease 3.5%

January 1 - November 17 Customer Count				Change in %
Heritage	164,477	2024	170,098	Decrease 3.3%
Galaxie	191,715	2024	200,860	Decrease 4.6%
Kenrick	148,787	2024	152,831	Decrease 2.6%
Keokuk	150,752	2024	149,277	FLAT +
Combined	655,731	2024	673,166	Decrease 2.6%

January 1 - November 17 Sales Per Transaction				Change in %
Heritage	\$28.80	2024	\$28.72	FLAT +
Galaxie	\$27.17	2024	\$27.57	Decrease 1.5%
Kenrick	\$27.08	2024	\$27.23	FLAT -
Keokuk	\$31.68	2024	\$32.55	Decrease 2.7%
Combined	\$28.59	2024	\$28.89	Decrease 1.4%

- Where is November going? Wow, Thanksgiving is right around the corner. Keep up the great work!

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“Wear gratitude like a cloak and it will feed every corner of your life.”
