

Winter 2014 Newsletter

with news and information from
The City of Lanark,
Lanark Chamber of Commerce,
& Living Lanark Committees



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Created by:

Mayor John Huggins

The mayor, aldermen, clerk, and treasurer wish you and your family peace, happiness, and good health throughout the Holiday Season!

(not just another) Christmas Ornament

Along with your water bill this quarter, you will find a Christmas ornament.

This is no ordinary ornament. Next Spring, you can tear the green paper up into small pieces and plant them. There are **wildflower seeds** embedded in the paper. Then you can keep the frosted part for next year.

The ornament is courtesy of the City of Lanark and the Living Lanark Cornucopia Committee to wish you a Merry Christmas. And to help beautify Lanark.



Eastland Christmas Concert & Lions Club Pancake Dinner

December 2, at Eastland Jr./Sr. High School

5:00pm - 7:00pm Lions Club annual Pancake and Sausage Dinner
7:00pm Eastland Christmas Concert

December 15, at Elementary School

7:00pm Elementary Christmas Program

Find more info on the web at www.lanarkil.com

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Important Phone Numbers

City Hall
(815)493-2431
Office Hours: Monday & Thursday 9am-5pm
(closed 12:30-1:30)
Tuesday Noon-4:00
Wednesday 8:30-Noon
Council Meetings: First & third Tuesday of the month

Fire/Police Emergency
911

Police Non-Emergency
(815)493-6931

Fire Non-Emergency
(815)493-2341

Maintenance
(815)493-6832

Winter Ordinances

5-5-43: SNOW OR ICE ON SIDEWALKS:

Every owner and every person in charge or control of any building or lot of land shall remove and clear away or cause to be removed and cleared away snow, ice, sleet, or freezing rain from the sidewalks in front or abutting said lands within twenty four (24) hours after the cessation of any fall of snow, ice, sleet, or freezing rain. In the event snow, ice, sleet, or freezing rain on a sidewalk has become so hard that it cannot reasonably be removed, the owner and/or person in charge or control shall cause enough sand or suitable abrasive material to be put on the sidewalk to make travel thereon reasonably safe and shall maintain the sidewalk in such condition until weather permits the owner to clear the sidewalk.



7-6-7: LIMITED WINTER PARKING:

At such times as there is an accumulation of two inches (2") of snow on the streets in the city or the city has declared a snow emergency, it shall be unlawful for any driver or owner of any vehicle to obstruct the orderly removal of snow from the city's streets, alleys or public ways by parking, permitting to be parked or otherwise leaving unattended any vehicle upon the following streets, alleys and public ways:



1. **DO NOT PARK** on the **even side** of the street (as indicated by address) on **even days** (as indicated by date) between the hours of seven o'clock (7:00) A.M. and seven o'clock (7:00) P.M.

2. **DO NOT PARK** on the **odd side** of the street (as indicated by address) on **odd days** (as indicated by date) between the hours of seven o'clock (7:00) A.M.

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The parking restrictions of this subsection shall terminate block by block as soon as the accumulated snow has been removed from the full width of the street, and at such time regular parking regulations shall go back into effect immediately. Nothing contained in this subsection shall be construed to permit parking on streets where parking is otherwise restricted or prohibited.

7-12-3: SNOWMOBILE EQUIPMENT:

All snowmobiles operating within the City shall be equipped with: at least one headlamp; at least one red tail lamp; and reflective material of a minimum area of sixteen (16) square inches mounted on each side of the cowling.

7-12-4: SNOWMOBILE GENERAL OPERATION:

It shall be unlawful for any person to drive or operate any snowmobile in the following ways:

- A. At a rate of speed in excess of fifteen (15) miles per hour.
- B. In a careless, reckless or negligent manner.
- C. While under the influence of intoxicating beverages or narcotic or dangerous drugs.
- D. At any time without at least one lighted headlamp and one lighted tail lamp on the snowmobile.
- E. On the tracks or right of way of an operating railroad.
- F. On private property, without the written consent of the owner or lessee thereof.



SHOP LANARK! Cards:



Here is a great stocking stuffer idea: The SHOP LANARK! Card

The cards are only \$10 each. They can be used at 11 Lanark area businesses.

A few examples of the deals this card offers is a free gallon of milk with a \$30 purchase at the Lanark Food Center or 10% off any service or product at The Cutting Edge.

Participating Businesses:

Lanark Food Center - Bella Pizza
- The Special Touch - Twice-Sold Tales - Lake Carroll

Clubhouse - The Cutting Edge - Southside Service - Carroll Service Building Center - End of the Road Antiques - Hollow Fence Post - The Crooked Roof.

Purchase SHOP LANARK! Cards at:

Lanark Food Center
The Special Touch
Exchange State Bank
Carroll Service Co. 24
The Cutting Edge
The Hollow Fencepost
Bella Pizza
Carroll Service Building Center

Living Lanark Committees (MAPPING Committees):

Transformers Committee:

The Transformers Committee will be continuing their efforts in beautifying the downtown and other business areas around town.

They are also working on creating new community events, as well as, enhancing existing ones.

Cornucopia Committee:

The Cornucopia Committee did a wonderful job this summer to build up the farmers market. They will continue to schedule more entertainment and educational opportunities for next season.

They also co-sponsored the seeded paper Christmas ornaments.

Economic Development Committee:

The Economic Development team has joined forces with the City Economic Development Committee.

They are working on a survey to see what the area businesses need to continue to thrive.

They are also working on information for new and existing businesses describing federal, state, and local incentives and funding opportunities, including full details about the Lanark TIF District.

Lanark Area Community Foundation:

The Lanark Area Community Foundation has been established thanks to some very generous

donations for the Flikkema family and Exchange State Bank.

A matching challenge gift of \$5,000 has been offered by Exchange State Bank to match new gifts received before year end.

Any contribution made now through Dec. 31 will be matched, up to \$5,000.

LACF is not city-owned or politically controlled.

The founding board members are Floyd Roberts, chairman of the board; John Nelson, vice chairman; Rosemary Flikkema, secretary; John Huggins; Dan Lamoreux; Tom Kocal; and Jeremy Flikkema.



Help Your Neighbor with the LHW Fund

Lanark Health and Wellbeing Fund:

The City of Lanark has established a Lanark Health and Wellbeing (LHW) fund to collect donations to provide assistance for people who are senior citizens, the disabled, people facing an emergency and others who may need help with paying their water and wastewater bills during a difficult period.

You make a tax deductible contribution to the fund when you pay your water bill. You can contribute a little or a lot. Mayor Huggins noted, "I round my payment up from \$67.65 to an even \$70.00 every month. Even if you round it up to \$68.00, it is helping."

When you do contribute, please add LHW and the dollar amount on your water bill stub and write LHW and the amount in the memo section of your check.

To apply for assistance, contact the Eastland Council of Churches at 563-212-6810 or the Township at 815-493-9960.



Thank You's

During Old Settlers Days this past Summer, the City Council handed out some plaques to thank those that have served on city boards for more than 10 years.

There are many others who work behind the scenes volunteering to help make Lanark a better place to live. We would like to thank them too.

For example, Connie Stern and Cathy Sweitzer have been planting and caring for the large

planters along the sidewalk downtown. They paid for the flowers out of their own pocket.

The hanging baskets that the Living Lanark Committee put up were paid for by donations from citizens. The brackets needed to secure them to the poles were made and donated by Eastland Fabrication. Don Hart and Connie Zuck watered the hanging baskets all summer long.

The gazebo is back up!!!

Thanks to the volunteers Jim Wyeth and Robert Wyeth, and Lions Club Members: Bob Zuck, Richard Delp, John Lamoreux, Don Hart, and John Huggins.



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