

WOOD LAKE COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

APRIL 2023

CALENDAR

- 4/01 – Woody’s Chili Cook Off
- 4/04 – Senior Citizens – 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM
Wood Lake Community Center
- 4/05 – TOPS – 7:30 AM – 8:15 AM (Bar Room)
Wood Lake Community Center
- 4/05 – Ladies Coffee Time – 9:30 AM – 11:30 AM
Bring your own beverage
Wood Lake Community Center
- 4/08 – Wood Lake Community Club Easter Hunt
Wood Lake Community Center – Ages 2-7
10 AM – 11 AM – **See Pg. 8**
- 4/10 – Board of Appeal & Equalization Hearing
Posen Township – 12:30 PM – 1:00 PM
Wood Lake Community Center -**See pg. 3**
- 4/10 – Public Hearing -Grant Funding through SCDP
City Council Meeting – 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Wood Lake Community Center
- 4/11 – Senior Citizens – 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM
Wood Lake Community Center
- 4/12 – TOPS – 7:30 AM – 8:15 AM (Bar Room)
Wood Lake Community Center
- 4/12 – Ladies Coffee Time – 9:30 AM – 11:30 AM
Bring your own beverage
Wood Lake Community Center
- 4/12 – Posen Township Meeting – 5:30 PM -6:30 PM
Wood Lake Community Center
- 4/15 – South Western Area Sportsman’s Club
Annual Raffle & Supper – **See pg. 7**
Wood Lake Community Center
- 4/15 – Wood Lake Cemetery Board Meeting
2:00 PM – 3:00 PM (Board Room)
Wood Lake Community Center
- 4/16 – Community Club Meeting – 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Wood Lake Community Center
- 4/17 – Board of Appeal & Equalization Meeting
Wood Lake Township – 1:00 – 1:30 PM
Wood Lake Township Hall - **See pg. 3**
- 4/17 – Board of Appeal & Equalization Meeting
City of Wood Lake – 6:00 PM – 6:30 PM
Wood Lake Community Center - **See pg. 3**
- 4/18 – Senior Citizens – 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM
Wood Lake Community Center
- 4/19 – TOPS – 7:30 AM – 8:15 AM (Bar Room)
Wood Lake Community Center
- 4/19 – Ladies Coffee Time – 9:30 AM – 11:30 AM
Bring your own beverage
Wood Lake Community Center

- 4/20 – **American Red Cross Blood Drive**
1:00 PM – 7:00 PM (1 day only)
Wood Lake Community Center
- 4/22 – Wood Lake Cemetery Annual Meeting
2:00 PM – 3 PM – Wood Lake Community Center
- 4/25 – Senior Citizens – 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM
Wood Lake Community Center
- 4/26 – TOPS – 7:30 AM – 8:15 AM (Bar Room)
Wood Lake Community Center
- 4/26 – Ladies Coffee Time – 9:30 AM – 11:30 AM
Bring your own beverage
Wood Lake Community Center
- 4/26 – Deadline for May’s Newsletter**
- 4/28 – Water Bills Due by 11 a.m.

April Birthdays

- 1 – Mike Imes
3 – Isaiah Caauwe
3 – Shane Hubbard
3 – Brooklyn Wolff
6 – Addison Hinz
6 – Avery Hinz
7 – Luke Sander
8 – Justin Nelson
9 – Trenton Bahn
9 – Esther Caauwe
10 – Jeremy Thalacker
10 – Braelynn Timm
11 – Chuck Fischer
11 – Tami Jeseritz
11 – Nancy Onken
11 – Laura Phinney
11 – Romain Schreier
11 – Erin Trapp
13 – Logan Stelter
15 – Jason Hartke
15 – Robbin Imes
17 – Chad Downing
17 – Bruce Slettedahl
17 – Jeff Tanke
18 – Robin Raddatz
20 – Andy VanHecke
21 – Jennifer Hinz
22 – Adam Illies
23 – Briana Nething
25 – Linda Raddatz
25 – Bailey Wolff
29 – Lynn Nelson
30 – Emery Ingram

April Anniversaries on pg. 3

St. John's Lutheran Church

26 3rd Street South – Wood Lake, MN

WELS

Pastor Johann Caauwe

Cell: 507-828-5136

Office: 507-485-3362

Bible Class & Sunday School — 9:00 AM

Sunday Divine Service – 10:15 AM

Men's Bible Study – Thursday 6:00 AM

Maundy Thursday Divine Service- April 6 at 7 PM

Good Friday Service- April 7th at 7:30 PM

Easter Vigil -Saturday-April 8th at 8:30 PM

Easter Matins- April 9th at 8:00 AM

Easter Breakfast-April 9th at 9:00 AM

Easter Divine Service- April 9 at 10:15 AM

www.stjohnswoodlake.com

Visit us on Facebook:

View our devotions on our YouTube channel

St. John's Lutheran Church Wood Lake

St. Luke's Lutheran Church

5597 130th Ave - Wood Lake, MN

LCMS

Pastor David Tilney

Church Office: [\(507\) 485-3527](tel:5074853527)

Cell Phone: [\(218\) 206-5825](tel:2182065825)

Sunday Morning Divine Service: 9:30 AM

Sunday School: 10:30 AM

Bible Study: 10:30 AM

Maundy Thursday Divine Service April 6th - 7PM

Good Friday Service on April 7th at 7 PM

Easter Sunday Festival Service: 9:30 AM

View devotions on our YouTube channel:

"St. Luke's Lutheran, Posen Township, MN"

Visit and like us on Facebook:

"St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Wood Lake, MN"



*He is Risen
Easter April 9th*

United Methodist Church

2nd Avenue & 4th Street- Wood Lake, MN

Pastor Orinda Winther

Sunday services: 9:00 AM

Sunday school: 10:15 AM

Cell: 320-304-1079

Parsonage: 507-485-3358

mwinther9@gmail.com

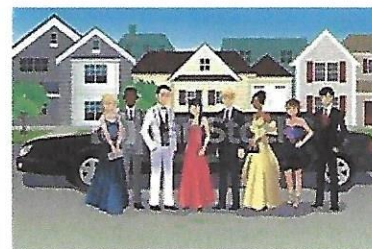
Annual Meeting of the Wood Lake Cemetery Association will be held on Saturday, April 22, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. at the Wood Lake Community Center. All individuals that have purchased cemetery lots at the Wood Lake Cemetery, as well as family members, are considered members of this Association and are invited to attend the Annual Meeting. The Wood Lake Cemetery Association was organized by the first settlers in this community in 1868. The cemetery is completely dependent on donations from members and families who have loved ones buried at the cemetery. Donations to the Association are greatly appreciated and can be brought to the Annual Meeting or mailed to Wood Lake Cemetery Association, c/o Melinda Schmidt, P.O. Box 3, Wood Lake, MN 56297

THANK YOU

Thank you to all the individuals and Businesses that have donated to the Wood Lake Newsletter. Your donations are very much appreciated.

Birthday and Anniversary list:

If you have a Wood Lake address and would like to have your Birthday and Anniversary list on the Wood Lake Community Newsletter Calendar, please contact JoAnn Peterson at jlpete@mvtvwireless.com or call or text her at 507-530-6344.



LAKEVIEW PROM

Saturday, April 22, 2023

Drive up at 6:00 PM

Grand March at 7:30 PM – Open to the public

**CITY OF WOOD LAKE
IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING
PROPERTY ASSESMENTS**

This may affect your 2024 property taxes

The Board of Appeal and Equalization for the City of Wood Lake will be **April 17, 2023 – 6:00 – 6:30 p.m.** **At the Wood Lake City Office, 88 2nd Ave. W., Wood Lake.** The Purpose of this meeting is to determine whether property in the Jurisdiction has been properly valued and classified by the assessor.

If you believe the value or classification of your property is incorrect, please contact your assessor's office to discuss your concerns. If you disagree with the valuation or classification after discussing it with your assessor, you may appear before the local Board of appeal and equalization. The board will review your assessments and may make corrections as needed. Generally, you must appeal to the local board before appealing to the county board of appeal and equalization.

**WOOD LAKE TOWNSHIP
IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING
PROPERTY ASSESMENTS**

This may affect your 2024 property taxes

Board of Appeal and Equalization for Wood Lake Township will meet on April 17, 2023 – 1:00 – 1:30 p.m. at the Wood Lake Township Hall, 1757 Hwy 274, Wood Lake. The purpose of this meeting is to determine whether property in the jurisdiction has been property valued and classified by the assessor.

If you believe the value or classification of your property is incorrect, please contact your assessor's office to discuss your concerns. If you disagree with the valuation or classification after discussing it with your assessor, you may appear before the local Board of appeal and equalization. The board will review your assessments and may make corrections as needed. Generally, you must appeal to the local board before appealing to the county board of appeal and equalization.

**City-Wide Cleanup Day set for
Tuesday, May 16th. Watch for posters!**

**POSEN TOWNSHIP
IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING
PROPERTY ASSESMENTS**

This may affect your 2024 property taxes

The Board of Appeal and Equalization for the Posen Township will be **April 10, 2023 – 12:30 – 1:00 p.m.** **At the Wood Lake Community Center, 88 2nd Ave. W., Wood Lake.** The purpose of this meeting is to determine whether property in the jurisdiction has been property valued and classified by the assessor. If you believe the value or classification of your property is incorrect, please contact your assessor's office to discuss your concerns. If you disagree with the valuation or classification after discussing it with your assessor, you may appear before the local Board of appeal and equalization. The board will review your assessments and may make corrections as needed. Generally, you must appeal to the local board before appealing to the county board of appeal and equalization.

WOOD LAKE BLOOD DRIVE

Community Center

88 – 2nd Ave W

Wood Lake, MN 56297

THURSDAY, APRIL 20, 2023

1 PM – 7 PM

Call Melinda Schmidt to make your appointments

507-485-3242

Please note that this is a one day drive this month

April Anniversaries

3 – Larry & JoAnn Peterson

5 – Mike & Robbin Imes

7 – Robert & Donna Ricke

20 – Wes & Jodi Naab

21 – Steve & Jan Raddatz

24 – Bob & Paulette Grieger

24 – Mike & Jane Schaffran

28 – Robert & Laurie Knutson (50th)



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LAKEVIEW BOYS AND GIRLS SPORTS AND MISC. EVENTS

Saturday

1-Apr 7:30 AM - 4:30 PM JO Volleyball Elementary Gym, Lakeview Commons
 Tournament Main Gym, Secondary Gym

Sunday

2-Apr 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM SW Lighting Lakeview Main Gym

Monday

3-Apr 12:00 PM Track & Field Varsity Meet - VS: Brookings @ SDSU Indoor track

Tuesday

4-Apr 4:00 PM Track & Field Varsity Meet - VS: Multiple Schools @ Tracy Area High School
 Field Complex

4:30 PM Baseball JH Game - VS: Red Rock Central @ Lakeview High School
 South Baseball field

4:30 PM Baseball Varsity Game - VS: Red Rock Central @ Lakeview High School
 Baseball field

NOTE: JV to begin 15 minutes after varsity game - 4 innings or 90 minutes
 of play, whichever comes first. Done no later than 8 PM without lights
 or 8:30 PM with lights.

4:30 PM Softball Girls JH Game - VS: Canby/Minnesota @ Lake View High School
 North softball field

4:30 PM Softball Girls Varsity - Single game @ VS: MACCRAY High School
 at MACCRAY Central School

Tuesday

11-Apr 1:00 PM Golf Girls Varsity meet VS: Multiple Schools - Marshall Country Club
 4:30 PM Baseball Varsity Game VS: Edgerton @ Lakeview High School Baseball field

NOTE: JV to begin 15 minutes after varsity game - 4 innings or 90 minutes
 of play, whichever comes first. Done no later than 8 PM without lights
 or 8:30 PM with lights.

Thursday

13-Apr 4:00 PM Track & Field Varsity Meet VS: Lac Qui Parle Valley @ Lac Qui Parel High School

4:30 PM Baseball JH Game VS: Russell-Tyler-Ruthton @ RTR Middle School Russell

3:15 - 4:45 PM Robot Adventures - Community Education Event - Lakeview Community Ed. Room

4:30 PM Baseball Varsity Game VS: Tracy-Milroy-Balaton @ Tracy Ares H.S. Baseball field

NOTE: JV to begin 15 minutes after varsity game - 4 innings or 90 minutes
 of play, whichever comes first. Done no later than 8 PM without lights
 or 8:30 PM with lights.

4:30 PM Track & Field Varsity Meet VS: Multiple Schools @ Lac Qui Parle Valley High School

Friday

14-Apr 4:00 PM Track & Field JH Meet VS: Tracy-Milroy-Tyler @ Tracy Area HS Track & Field Complex

4:30 PM Softball Girls JH Game VS: Reville County West - Danube Campus Voelz Field

5:00 PM Softball Girls Varsity (Single game) VS: Montevideo @ Montevideo H.S.

Sunday

16-Apr 5:00 - 7:00 PM SW Lighting 16 U - Lakeview Secondary Gym

Monday

17-Apr 1:00 PM Golf Girls Varsity Meet VS: Multiple Schools @ Marshall Country Club
1:00 PM Golf Boys Varsity Meet VS: Multiple Schools @ Marshal Countyr Club

Tuesday

18-Apr 4:30 PM Baseball JH Game VS: MACCRAY @ Lakeview High School Baseball field
4:30 PM Baseball Varsity Game VS: MACCRAY @ MACCRAY Public School - Raymond Campus
4:30 PM Softball Girls JH VS: RTR@ Lakeview High School - North Softball field
(Double Header)
4:30 PM Track & Field - Varsity VS: Multiple Schools at Monevideo High School

Thursday

20-Apr 3:15 -4:45 PM - Robot Adventures - Community Education Event in Community Ed. Room
4:00 PM Track & Field - Varsity Invitational _ Multiple Schools - YME Campus
4:30 PM Milroy-Balaton @ Tracy Area HS Baseball field
4:30 PM Golf Girls JH Meet - VS: Multiple Schools @ Canby Golf Club
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4:30 PM Golf Boys JV Meet - VS: Multiple Schools @ Canby Golf Club
4:30 PM Softball Girls Varsity Game - VS: Renville County West @ Lakeview High School
Single game on the North Softball field
6:30 PM Music K, 1st, 2nd Classroom Music 0 6:30 PM Start

Friday

21-Apr 4:30 PM Golf Girls Varsity Meet VS: Multiple Schools @ Minneota Country Club
4:30 PM Golf Boys Varsity Meet VS: Multiple Schools @ Minneota Country Club
4:30 PM Softball Girls JH Game VS: Tracy-Milroy-Balaton @ Lakeview HS. South
Softball Field

Saturday

22-Apr 9:00 AM Golf Boys Varsity Invitational VS: Multiple Schools @ Worthington
Golf Club
10:00 AM - 11:00 PM PROM Lakeview Main Gym

Sunday

23-Apr 5:00 - 7:00 PM SW Lightning Lakeview Secondary Gym

Monday

24-Apr 4:30 PM Golf Girls JH Meet - VS: Multiple Schools @ Tracy Golf Course
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4:30 PM Golf Boys JH Meet - VS: Multiple Schools @ Tracy Golf Course
4:30 PM Golf Boys JV Meet - VS: Multiple Schools @ Tracy Golf Course
4:30 PM Softball Girls JH Game VS: Yellow Medicine East @ Lakeview H.S.
South Softball Field

Tuesday

25-Apr 4:30 PM Baseball JH Game VS: YME @ YME
4:30 PM Baseball Varsity Game VS: YME @ Lakeview HS Baseball field
NOTE: JV to begin 15 minutes after Varsity game - 4 inning or 90 minutes of play, whichever
comes first. Done no later than 8 PM with out lights or 8:30 PM with lights.
4:30 PM Golf Girls Varsity Meet VS: Tracy-Milroy-Balaton @ Cottonwood Country Club
4:30 PM Golf Boys Varsity Meet VS: Multiple Schools @ Cottonwood Country Club
4:30 PM Softball Girls Varsity Meet (Double Header) VS: Canby/Minneota @ Lakeview
High School North Soft North Softball Field
4:30 PM Track & Field: JH Meet VS: Multiple Schools @ YME High School Track

Thursday

27-Apr 3:15 - 4:45 PM Robot Adventures - Community Education Event - Lakeview Community Ed Room
 4:00 PM Track & Field : Varsity Invitational VS: Multiple Schools @ Worthington High School
 4:30 PM Baseball JH Game VS: Canby @ Lakeview High School Baseball field
 4:30 PM Golf Girls JH Meet VS: Multiple Schools @ Granite Run Golf Course -Granite Falls
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 4:30 PM Golf Boys JH Meet VS: Multiple Schools @ Granite Run Golf Course -Granite Falls
 4:30 PM Golf Boys JV Meet VS: Multiple Schools@ Granite Run Golf Course -Granite Falls
 4:30 PM Softball Girls JH VS: Ortonville @ Lakeview High School North Softball field
 4:30 PM Softball Girls Varsity (Single Game) VS: KMS Public School @ KMS High School

Friday

28-Apr 4:30 PM Baseball Varsity Game VS: Dawson-Boyd @ Lakeview High School Baseball field
 NOTE: JV to begin 15 minutes after Varsity game - 4 inning or 90 minutes of play, whichever comes first. Done no later than 8 PM without lights or 8:30 PM with lights.
 4:30 PM Golf Girls Varsity Meet VS: Multiple Schools @ Tyler Golf Course
 4:30 PM Golf Boys Varsity Meet VS: Multiple Schools @ Tyler Golf Course

Saturday

29-Apr 9:00 AM Softball Girls Varsity Invitational VS: Multiple Schools @ Sanborn, MN
 Varsity only each team plays 3 games use 2 fields in Sanborn

Sunday

30-Apr 3:00 - 5:30 PM - SW Stars Basketball - Elementary Gym - Lakeview Main Gym & Lakeview Secondary Gym
 5:30 - 7:30 PM - JO Volleyball - Seniors VS: Coaches Game - Lakeview Main Gym
 5:30 - 7:30 PM - SW Lighnih 16U - Lakeview Secondary Gym



Sharla is being recognized for her photos of old barns that she has been taking and submitted, she made the the MN Voyager Magazine in March. Her photos are going to be displayed at the KK Berge (Granite Falls Arts Council) on March 29 - April 29, 2023. A reception for the artist will be held on April 13 from 7 PM - 9 PM. Sharla Bergtson - The Life of Barns in the Emerging Artist Gallery. See pg. 7

Sharla Bengtson -The Life of Barns

We would like to thank the guy who came right after we rolled over in the ditch. He took over and called for help. A big thank you to everyone who helped get us out of the blazer.

Thank you!
 Loretta Stapleton
 Dorothy Pottratz

**SHARLA & DOUG BENGTON MAKE MN VOYAGER
MAGAZINE THIS MONTH:**

Sharla's Interview from MN Voyager Magazine this month:

Sharla always liked artist events. Clowning, making crafts, and teaching some crafts classes for kids at Lakeview School, Cottonwood MN. 1 ½ years ago I received a large camera with 2 lenses from my kids, grandkids, and spouse. Doug and I have always enjoyed taking pictures. We have joined the Friends of Minnesota barns organization and have posted some pictures on my Facebook and barn's Facebook page. I had some pictures printed in the newsletter of (fomb) friend of MN Barns. The barns organization had a barn contest and both my granddaughter Grace Burns and myself each won one of our pictures in the 2003 calendar which forms put out. Working and setting time aside for free time was hard. But now I am semi-retired and have more time to do my photos.

I post pictures of events at our seasonal resort we camp at, Bremen words by Willow River, MN. I have been taking more barn photos and specializing in barn photos. Some older barns are falling and some are being restored. My husband does poem books and needed some photos of some barns is how I started taking an interest in barns. I have learned to hold the camera level and need to make sure the photo is not shaded or in too much sunlight. Focus is a problem sometimes.

Sharla stated: I am new to this so that is what sets me apart from others.

Doug's Magazine interview from MN Voyager this month:

Today we'd like to introduce you to Douglas Bengtson. I received my dad's old John Deere 1936 model A in 2009. I restored the tractor and wrote a poem "MY BIG TRACTOR". I went to writing class after writing the poem., THE CLASS was held at gold college at SMSU. The classes were for older adult. I disliked English and grammar in high school. I signed up for the writing class and thoroughly enjoyed it. I wrote my memoirs in class. It was a six-week class that met once a week.

Since then, I have written 5 poem books, and one more is almost completed. I challenged my family of 2 kids and spouses and 2 grandkids and wife to write 5 poems each. The family poem book is called 'POETIC JUST-US'. I have had some of my poems printed in area newspapers most of my poem's rhyme.

I also am in the lighter side clown club, making lefse and selling lefse with my wife Sharla. I also portray Andrew Volstead, the Prohibition congressman, and my wife and I do Ole and Lena events. I enjoy woodworking and camping

and grandkids. I am a lay Pastor also. I enjoy family history and went to Sweden in 2011 to meet some distant family. Number 5 poem book is about Barns and farms, my wife, Sharla took some of the barn pictures for the book.

I was born in 1949 in SW Minnesota by Balaton MN and grew up on a farm. Most of my poems are about my life experiences. Poem books for sale directly from me or at Granite Falls Arts Council or books on 3rd in Marshall MN. So, often I wrote one poem from memory and woke up at 2 am and had a poem running around in my head. I memorized it and went back to sleep. In the morning I wrote the poem down. Now I get up at any time in the night and put the light on and write the poem down. A favorite time for writing some poems was at a hotel, overlooking Lake Superior, I had no paper, so borrowed a pen and used some paper napkins, and wrote 3 poems. Trying to find rhyming word, has been a struggle. My daughters gave me a couple of rhyming word dictionaries. I was struggling to find a printer and a friend told me he made books, so that was not a problem for long. Writing poems has been fun and people say they have seen and read and liked some of my poems. I am a lay Pastor. I have been in the lighter side clown club for 25 years and enjoy entertaining and making people smile. I love making animal balloons for children. Lefse making and teaching classes on lefse has been fun. I have loved meeting and teaching the next generation, the tradition of lefse.

I also designed a lefse rolling pin holder and have sold several of them. I am known for being a clown and Ole Olson. People forget my name, but they remember my clown name is a happy face or they say hi Ole. Being Santa is also a special event I love to do. Being known for mu poetry and making animal balloons for kids and adults. Most proud of getting a grant from the smach arts council in Marshall, MN. The grant was used for a clown convention with over 300 clowns. I performed a skit on stage at the convention at the circus. Loving adventures, and trying new things is what sets me apart. Also, it was fun doing Ole jokes on the Redwood Falls radio show for one year, every Monday morning.



Wood Lake Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 8
Starting Promptly at 10:00 AM
Wood Lake Community Center



For children ages 2-7

Easter Egg hunt and prizes will all be at the
Wood Lake Community Center this year!

Sponsored by the Wood Lake Community Club – Funded from the Wood Lake Fair Hamburger Stand



SOUTH WESTERN PRAIRIE OUTDOORS CLUB

Tired of Cabin Fever?

Then come join us for the South Western Prairie Outdoors Club 12th Annual Banquet

Wood Lake Community Center

Saturday April 15, 2023

TIME: 5 PM Happy Hour

6 PM Supper

Raffles/Auction – following meal

BBQ Pork Supper – Raffle prizes

Door Prizes

Adults (ages 16 & up) \$20 –Youths (5 to 15) \$10

Ages 4 & under – Free

Purchase tickets from SWPOC members or contact

Keith Mueller – 507-89-6659 or Bruce Helgeson – 507-829-5943