



Town of Lowell Newsletter Spring 2016



Leaf & Branch Pick-up

A tentative date of Monday, March 28th has been set to begin the town-wide leaf pick-up program. This program will run for two weeks, ending on Friday, April 8th. Residents are asked to place leaf piles along the curb (not in the street) and away from mailboxes, trees and parked cars.

The spring branch pick-up is tentatively set to begin Monday, April 18th. This program will continue every week through June 3rd. From June through September, the Street Department will be out the second full week of each month collecting branches. Residents are asked to place branch piles along the curb (not in the street) and away from mailboxes and parked cars. Maximum sizes for branches are 15 feet long and 6 inches in diameter. Please do not include large stumps with roots attached.

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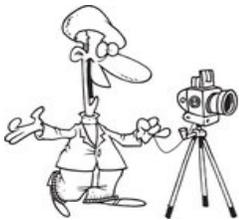
The annual Easter Egg Hunt will begin promptly at 10:00 AM on Saturday, March 19th at Liberty Park (Next to Patricia's School of Dance Studio off of Washington Street.) This event is free to attend and is for children ages twelve (12) years old and younger. There will also be a special needs hunting area. The Easter bunny will be in attendance to get the event started! Be sure to bring a basket or bag to hold your eggs. Local businesses, families, and organizations will also be donating baskets that will be raffled off!

Volunteers and donations are needed to help make this event a success. If you would like to donate a basket or volunteer at the event, please contact the park office before March 2nd at 219-696-1570.

Holiday Hours & Garbage Collection Times

In observance of the Good Friday holiday, the Town offices will be closed on Friday, March 25th. There will be no change in garbage collection services due to this holiday.

13th Annual Amateur Photography Contest - **NEW LOCATION!**



Here is an opportunity for you to show off your best amateur photography work! Photographs are judged by local professional photographers. All photographs will be displayed for a public viewing at the Lowell Library on April 9th from 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM. Entries must be submitted by April 1st to the Lowell Park Department Office at Freedom Park. For full details and rules, visit www.lowell.net and view the Winter/Spring 2016 Rec Connect newsletter, or call the Park Office at 219-696-1570.

Plastic Cap Collection

Please note that the **LAST DAY** for plastic cap collection will be Friday, March 18th. After this date the Town Hall will no longer be collecting plastic caps. Once Lake County Solid Waste Management has tallied the weigh-ins, we will see if our municipality will be receiving a new bench. Thank you for your help in this collection!

Lowell MS4 Stormwater Management Program



Just a reminder for those residents that choose to change their own oil, oil and water don't mix! Motor oil poured onto the ground or into storm drains, or tossed into trash cans (even in sealed containers) can contaminate and pollute the soil, groundwater, streams, and rivers. Other automotive fluids, including antifreeze, solvents and gasoline are also harmful to the environment when not disposed of correctly. When used motor oil is mixed with other automotive fluids, it is considered contaminated and cannot be collected for recycling. Also, cars that leak oil and other automotive fluids are a big source of water pollution so it is always a good idea to have your car checked for any leaking fluids that might run-off into storm drains.

When you change your own oil, any fluid that drips away gets washed along the curb, then into the storm drain and directly into our streams, rivers, and lakes. Proper disposal is key to keeping our resources clean! Handling automotive fluids properly protects our health, environment and wildlife. Below is a list of local businesses that accept used motor oil.

Autozone
980 E. Commercial Ave.
Open Daily 8-9

Advance Auto
1729 E. Commercial Ave.
Open Daily 8-8

O'Reilly Auto Parts
1115 E. Commercial Ave.
Open Daily 7:30-10

Oil Exchange
1288 E. Commercial Ave.
Open M-F 8-6 Sat 8-5

