

City of Leslie

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Greetings!

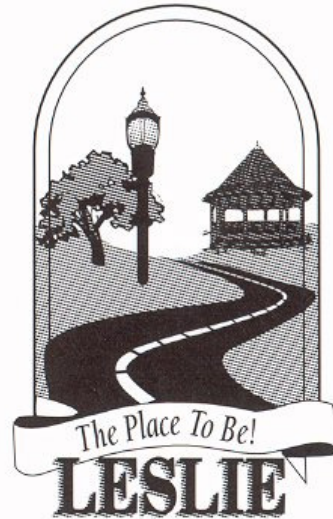
Welcome to the City of Leslie electronic newsletter.

We will be using this newsletter to keep you up to date on what is happening in Leslie. Your e-mail has been added to our database as an interested community member. If you do not wish to receive the newsletter, please see the bottom of this newsletter for the unsubscribe link.

We are interested in your feedback. Over the coming weeks and months our format and content will evolve to provide the best product for you. We will keep you up-to-date on the latest important news and events in the City of Leslie.

Please let us know how we can improve this newsletter by e-mailing us at reedb@cityofleslie.org.

We hope you enjoy our efforts! Thank you!



End of year pool party a Success

The End of the Year Pool Party was a huge success this year. Over 200 people were in attendance for the evening. The kids enjoyed swimming, music provided by a DJ, free food and The First Annual Leslie Olympics. Congratulations to Trevor Alleman who was the winner of a pool membership for next season. Trevor won medals in four categories in the Olympic games. A special thanks to Felpausch and McDonalds for providing food and drink for the Party. We would also like to thank Chad Fillingham for providing the DJ equipment and Aaron Taylor for playing the music. By the time you read this the pool season will be officially over but we look forward to seeing everyone again next season.



School Year Safety from Chief Delamarter



A reminder to all that with school starting there will be an increase in morning and afternoon traffic activity. When students are dropped off or picked up it is important to remember that safety should be on everyone's mind.

Everyone should allow plenty of time for the transportation of the students and abide by the safety efforts put in place at the schools to avoid accidents. The "Absolutely No Parking" signs on Pennsylvania St. between Baggerly St. and W. Race St. should be observed and obeyed.

Also please remember the adult crossing guards are on duty at specific locations. They are a dedicated group of concerned individuals who have the students safety in mind. Their guidance must be observed and obeyed. It is the safety of our students which is most

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Paul Wood Retires from Leslie City Council

Longtime Councilmember Paul Wood submitted his resignation from Council at the August Council meeting ending a long and dedicated string of public service.

Paul Wood was first elected to the Leslie City Council in April 1987 for a 2-year term. He served beginning in May, 1987, was re-elected in 1989 and 1991 and served through April, 1993.

important! Let's make this a safe school year!



Community Newspaper Discussion Scheduled

On September 18th at 6pm the City along with Leslie Public Schools will sponsor a Community Newspaper discussion. The meeting will take place at GAR Hall at 107 E. Bellevue St. The purpose of the meeting is to begin a dialogue about a community newspaper. The discussion will explore the obstacles and opportunities for a community newspaper with the goal of

bringing interested parties together to brainstorm ideas. The discussion is open to the public and everyone is invited to attend.

Leslie Lions Club Labor Day Chicken BBQ

The Leslie Lions Club will host a Labor Day Chicken BBQ from 11am to 3pm, Monday September 1, 2008. The event will be curbside at the Leslie Depot Diner at 107 Covert St. There will be drive-up curbside Pickup as the event will be take out only. The menu will consist of 1/2 BBQ chicken, macaroni salad, baked beans, corn muffin, and a homemade cookie for \$7.00. All proceeds will benefit local services.

DDA/City to fix four corners crosswalks

At the August DDA meeting, the DDA voted to repair the four corners crosswalks by taking out the brick pavers and replacing it with normal asphalt. The City along with the DDA examined several different options, but the asphalt crosswalks made the most financial sense saving thousands of dollars.

The decorative aspect of the crosswalks will be revisited once the North Main Street project is planned. There is currently no timetable for the reconstruction of North Main Street as the City is investigating funding options.

Summer Tax Bills

Summer tax bills were mailed out to residents on June 30, 2008. The last day to pay your summer tax bill without a penalty is September 30, 2008.

Newsletter Archive

Past issues of the Electronic Newsletter will be available on the City of Leslie website. You may visit <http://www.cityofleslie.org/news-archive.shtm> to view past issues.

Brush Pickup Rules

The Department of Public Works works very hard to pick up brush throughout the summer. The majority of residents follow the rules, however there are always a few who do not and it makes it difficult on the City Staff to provide consistent service to everyone. The current brush pickup rules are as follows:

- Brush will be picked up on Monday each week. If all cannot be picked up on Monday, the Staff will use Tuesday as an overlap day, however brush must be out on Monday.
- Branches should not be bigger than 4" in diameter.
- Piles should not be over 3 feet tall.
- Piles should be neatly stacked, cut ends towards the curb.
- Absolutely NO THORNS.
- No hedge trimmings. Small hedge and pine trimmings may go with leaves in April or October.
- No leaves or grass clippings except in April or October.
- There will be a 15 minute limit for each household.

If your pile was not picked up and the chipper passed by, then your pile did not meet the above requirements. We ask for your cooperation not only for the efficiency of brush pickup for the entire city, but also for the safety of our workers.

Currently staff is discussing brush pickup and will be refining and changing some rules for 2009. We will notify the community of any changes.

Wood served on the City Planning Commission from March of 1995 through October of 2005. He was elected to Council again in November, 2007 and his resignation was accepted by the Mayor and Council with thanks and regrets on August 4, 2008. While on Council Wood's most recent Committee assignment was to the Woodlawn Cemetery Board. If you have an opportunity to see Councilman Wood, remember to thank him for his years of service and dedication to the Leslie Community. His contributions will be missed.

The City Council will appoint a new member to fill the vacant Council position at the September meeting.

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D.K. Beyer

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Fire Department to Collect For Muscular Dystrophy on September 5th

On September 5, 2008 from 5pm to 7pm, the Leslie Fire Department will be collecting for the Muscular Dystrophy Association with a boot drive.

Firemen will be located in different parts of City. Help them fill their boots for a good cause.

Upcoming Events In Leslie

For information on any of these events, please call 517-589-8236.

- Lions Club BBQ - September 1, 2008
- City Council Meeting - September 2, 2008
- Community Newspaper Discussion - September 18, 2008 - 6pm GAR Hall

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