

Laketown Neighborhood Association

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2023 Annual Laketown Garage Sale

The 2023 Annual Laketown Area-wide Garage Sale will be Saturday, June 3rd, with our rain date being Saturday, June 10th. We will post signs advertising this event at various locations around the neighborhood and we will also advertise in Illinois Times.

Per Woodside Township, there will be NO Big Item Pickup in 2023. If you have any questions, contact Woodside Township, 217-522-3712.

Are you looking for a Preschool or Grade School
with small, Christ-centered classrooms?
Concordia Lutheran (Est. in 1931)
Is Enrolling Now for Preschool and K-8th grade!

Our Preschool is open for the school year and for a summer session as well.
We offer both full-time (7:30-4:30) and part-time (morning only) learning.

After paid registration, we are currently offering
first week FREE for Preschool
and Discounted Registration for Grade School!

Find more information at: concordiacares.org
or call Lora at: 217-529-3307
2300 E. Wilshire Rd. (Laketown)

Jesus Loves Children
...So Do We!



Neighborhood Notes & Reminders

Please bag, burn, or remove leaves from last fall. Not cleaning them up detracts from the beauty of our neighborhood. For Safety Reasons, PLEASE do not discard grass clippings from the lawn mower into the street. This is dangerous for traffic and pedestrians. Wet grass/leaves and wet asphalt pavements do not mix!

Burning: Is allowed every Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday from 8:00am until dusk. Burning is NOT allowed on holidays. Leaves and yard waste ONLY. Garbage or anything that produces black smoke should not be allowed. To report someone in violation, contact Sangamon County Sheriff's Department (non-emergency), 217-753-6666. PLEASE NOTE: Branch pickup is the 3rd Monday every month.

Stickers for Leaf Pickup or excess refuse may be purchased at True Value on Stevenson Drive

Please refrain from parking your automobile in your front yard.

Trash Cans: On trash pick-up days, your trash cans should be moved home-side and off the street after your trash pickup.

A Note on Safety: If you see something, say something! Please report criminal activity to the Sangamon County Sheriff.

What is the Laketown Association?

The Association is formed of residents, businesses, churches, and other members who work for the improvement of the neighborhood known as "Laketown". Our boundaries are Westlake Dr, Stevenson Dr, the railroad on our west border, and I-55/I-72 on the south. Neighborhood improvement shall include, but not necessarily be limited to the promotion of public safety, the fostering of a positive environment, the encouragement of mutually beneficial social activities, and the preservation and beautification of the neighborhood character and environment.

Who can become a Member?

Membership in the Association shall be open to all adult residents of Laketown, non-resident property owners of residential property, and businesses, corporations, partnerships, and not-for-profit corporations located in or near Laketown, supportive of the purpose of the Association.

How are membership dues used?

- * Spring and Fall Area Wide Garage Sale advertising and signs
- * Printing and mailing newsletters to Laketown homes
- * Annual area-wide clean up days
- * Curb appeal contest with awards
- * Holiday Lights contest with awards
- * National Night Out activities
- * Easter activities for our kids
- * Neighborhood Watch Activities & More

Animal Rescue Donations

Laketown Association has expanded outreach efforts to our residents by promoting *Animal Rescue Donations* for our Sangamon County Sheriff K-9 Unit and the Illinois Humane rescue. Illinois Humane is involved with animal abuse investigations, and criminal prosecutions, as well as pet adoption and pet fostering. We have Board approval to match the first \$500 in donations received as a starting point. Your donation amount can be added to your annual dues payment using the membership form below. When writing your check to pay membership dues, please make a notation of the amount of your donation.

For example: *Dues Residential \$20.00 + \$15.00 animal rescue donation, then write your check total for \$35.00*

Please contact us at laketownneighborhoodassn@gmail.com if you have questions.

JOIN THE LAKETOWN NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

The present Association was founded in 1980 and has been effective for many years since. Neighborhood associations are successful when neighbors share dreams and visions, when they feel empowered to pursue shared goals, and when they are active in pursuing them. If you live in Laketown, but have not been a part of that process, please consider becoming a member and be a part of continuing to make Laketown a great place to live.

We invite you to become a member of the Association, and are looking for individuals who want to be a part of improving our community and who have creative ideas to engage others.

2023 Laketown Association Membership Form

The membership year begins in December. Membership dues are paid annually.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

Membership dues:

Please circle one!!

Residential

\$ 20.00

Seniors 65 or older

\$15.00

Made payable to:

**Laketown Association
PO Box 2543
Springfield IL, 62708**

Donation \$ _____

Important Reference Numbers and Websites

Animal Control
217-535-3065
www.co.sangamon.il.us

Department of Public Health 217-535-3100
www.scdph.org

Sangamon County Code of Ordinances
www.municode.com

Animal Registration
217-535-3101
www.co.sangamon.il.us

Ameren 800-755-5000
www.ameren.com

Property Tax Information
217-747-5180
tax.co.sangamon.il.us

Sangamon County Sheriff
217-753-6666 (non-emergency)
www.sangamoncounty-sheriff.com

CWLP Electric Service 217-789-2323
(Emergencies/Outages)

Report trees in conflict with power lines
217-789-2121

Woodside Township 217-522-3712

**2023 Laketown Association
Board Officers**

Ken Elmore - President

VACANT – Vice President

Melanie Trimm – Secretary

Pat Haynes – Treasurer

**Laketown Association Board
Members**

Vicki Jones

Brad Skinner

Trevor Cottle

Diana Celano

Betsy Elmore



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2023 Beautification Contest

Join your neighbors in showing off the beauty of your home or garden! All Laketown residents are eligible to participate. First, second, and third place prizes will be awarded and winners will get a sign posted in their yard (bragging rights)! Judging will take place on June 17, 2023

Drainage Ditch Cleaning and Maintenance

Drainage issues cost heavily! Consider the labor, machinery, time and money spent for Woodside to clean out the drainage ditches. They clean it and residents fill it back up.

Please do your part to keep the ditch on your property free of debris, lawn cuttings, and burn residue. If you put stuff in there, it is your responsibility to clean it out. Please clean out debris that you have allowed to accumulate in your ditch. After Woodside has completed the cleanout project, please keep these draining ditches open moving forward.

Other Woodside projects: Ongoing road repair and surfacing will be done as needed.

**Join us on the 4th Tuesday of each
month (January-October) at 6:00pm**

**Concordia Lutheran Church
2300 E. Wilshire Rd. (basement)**

Contact Us

New Email Address:

laketownneighborhoodassn@gmail.com

And on **NextDoor.com**:

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