



# CITY WATCH

## CITY OF LAKEPORT NEWSLETTER

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### Farmer's Market: Know your Farmer, Know your Food!

This summer, come on down to Library Park for the Tuesday Morning Market, presented Lake County Farmers' Finest.

New this season at the Tuesday Market:

- They will be accepting WIC Fruit & Vegetable checks, as well as EBT/CalFresh
- Dollar-for Dollar match – when you use your EBT benefits to purchase food at the Market (up to a daily limit per card).

Certified Farmers' Markets are an effort to reestablish the traditional link between farmers and consumers in California. Certified Farmers' Markets are "the real thing;" places where genuine farmers offer only agricultural products they grow themselves for direct sale to the public. By eliminating the middleman's additional costs and multiple product handling, both the farmers and the consumers benefit.

Buying in-season and as local as possible makes a huge difference on our carbon footprint when you consider the true costs that go along with moving large quantities of perishables over long distances.

Lake County Farmers' Finest mission is to:

- Educate and encourage Lake County farmers to grow for the market - thinking first about consumers, their tastes, convenience, and health.
- Awaken consumers to Lake County's superior food products and encourage their loyalty.

**When:** Tuesdays, May-September, 10:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

**Where:** Library Park, Lakeport

**Support your health and your farmers at the same time. Eat in season and shop locally!**

### THE CHIEF'S CORNER



Brad Rasmussen,  
Chief of Police



**Business, Neighborhood and Community Outreach Program**  
The City and Police Department are excited to announce implementation of the **Business, Neighborhood and Community Outreach** police officer. This program will run on a part-time basis until full staffing is in place. Businesses, neighborhood and community groups can expect the officer to be reaching out to them to strengthen relationships and start launching crime prevention and safety programs within business districts and neighborhoods throughout the City of Lakeport. Our goal is to work with the community to reduce crime and improve safety for all those who live, work, own a business or visit our city.

This Proactive Policing Project is committed to community-oriented policing in our business districts. Successful business recruitment and retention requires that owners feel secure in their investment in a site, inventory, and employees. This business liaison officer will walk our business areas, meet owners and workers, make frequent contact, and be quickly available when necessary.



### NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

The new Business & Neighborhood Watch Police Officer program depends on help from the community. If you don't already have a business or neighborhood group set up and wish to start one and deploy a leader to have direct communication with us for your group, please send us a private [Facebook](#) message, email us at [info@lakeportpolice.org](mailto:info@lakeportpolice.org) or contact us during business hours at 707-263-5491 and ask to talk to an administrator. We also encourage community members to use "Nextdoor", a free private social network for safety communication in their neighborhoods. Find more info here: [www.nextdoor.com](http://www.nextdoor.com). There are numerous **Nextdoor** groups already set up in Lakeport. The Lakeport Police Department also has a **Nextdoor** page that current members can connect with. You can also check our website at [www.lakeportpolice.org](http://www.lakeportpolice.org) for staff contact information, links to our social media and more.

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**WESTSIDE COMMUNITY PARK UPDATE**



**New Bike Pump Track Completed**

A new bicycle pump track is now open to the public near the softball field, in what is known as the Phase II portion of the park.

The unpaved track is a series of dirt mounds, loops and jumps that is meant to be ridden without pedaling, but with the pumping motion of the rider's upper and lower body propelling the bike forward. It has proven popular with local bike groups and teams in the short time it has been opened. The project was made possible by the generous financial assistance provided by the **Lakeport Rotary Club**, and labor provided by the volunteers on the **Westside Community Park Committee**.

**Grillin' on the Green**

The 2017 Annual Grillin' on the Green, the Committee's annual BBQ Cook Off fundraiser, will be held on Saturday, August 5, 2017 from 5:00 to 8:00 PM. This event features some of the best food available as grillers compete for votes in the People's Choice and Celebrity Choice Award competitions. More information is available on the Committee's website at [www.westsidecommunitypark.org](http://www.westsidecommunitypark.org).

**JULY FOURTH SAFE & SANE FIREWORKS TIPS**

Safe and Sane Fireworks will be permitted in the City of Lakeport on the following dates:

- JULY 1: 9:00 AM TO 10:00 PM
- JULY 2: 9:00 AM TO 10:00 PM
- JULY 3: 9:00 AM TO 10:00 PM
- JULY 4: 9:00 AM TO 11:00 PM

Places Designated for Discharge:

- ☀ City Parking Lot North of Fourth Street
- ☀ Any street within the incorporated area of Lakeport which does not violate section 5.30.180 B of the Municipal code.
- ☀ It is unlawful to discharge over or onto the property of another without permission, or within 10 Ft. of any residence or within 10 feet of any residence or dwelling used as a place of habitation.



**NATIONAL NIGHT OUT**

The City of Lakeport will host a National Night Out event on Tuesday, August 1, from 6 to 8 p.m. on Esplanade Street. Please follow this event on the [Lakeport Police Dept. Facebook](#) page for updates.

*(Neighborhood Watch from previous page)*

We look forward to working with everyone in the future to accomplish our goal of reducing crime and improving safety in our city.

**LIBRARY PARK UPDATE**

City staff and the Lakeport Police Department appreciate the cooperation of residents and businesses during flood conditions experienced this spring. The Third Street boat ramp, docks and the main areas of Library Park are now opened. The seawall and adjacent sidewalk along the central lakefront area will remain closed pending repairs. More information is available from Doug Grider, Public Works Director, (707) 263-0751.

**SUMMER CONCERT SERIES**

The City of Lakeport is proud to host Bicoastal Media's annual summer concert series in Library Park on Friday nights. This year's lineup includes:

June 16	<b>Johnny Young Band</b>	Country/Rock/Red Dirt
June 23	Clean Sweep	Classic Nostalgia
June 30	Jake Gill	Country
July 7	<b>The Swinging Chads</b>	Americana Rock & Roll
July 14	<b>Boys of Summer</b>	Eagles Tribute Band
July 21	<b>Funky Dozen</b>	Disco/Funk/Soul
July 28	<b>Brad Wilson</b>	Blues
August 4	<b>Tom Rigney</b>	Cajun Zydeco
August 11	<b>LC Diamonds</b>	Rock & Roll
August 18	<b>Decades</b>	Nostalgic Rock & Roll

**COMMUNITY EVENTS**

**Home Wine and Beer Makers Festival**

**When:** Saturday, June 17, 12:00 p.m.

**Where:** Library Park, Lakeport



**Description:** Amateur wine makers and home brewers gather in June to offer the public tastes of their best efforts in the Home Wine and Beer

Festival. There will be vendors offering arts, crafts, agricultural products and food.

**July Fourth Crafts Faire & Fireworks**

**When:** Tuesday, July 4, 2017, 11:00 am

**Where:** Library Park

**Description:** Plan to bring the whole family to the Arts & Crafts Faire being held on Park Street. Cheer on the competitors in the **10<sup>th</sup> Annual Cardboard & Duct Tape Regatta**. Stay for the fireworks show. It's a great day in the Park!

**Shakespeare at the Lake: Much Ado about Nothing**

**When:** July 29 & 30, 2017, 6 pm

**Where:** Library Park

**Description:** Presented by Mendocino College and the Lake County Theater Company, this romantic romp will play with Lake County's fantastic scenery as a natural backdrop.

**Lakeside Car & Boat Show**

**When:** August 19, 2017, 8am-4 pm

**Where:** Library Park & Main

The annual Lakeside Car & Boat Show brings hundreds of cars and hot boats to downtown Lakeport. The show is free to the public. There will be raffles, food, vendors and music, so bring the family!

