



# Mayor's Minute

Greetings friends and neighbors! Spring is in the air and all around us new life is blossoming. Here is wishing you a very Happy Easter ... may your day be filled with the joy that comes from faith and family. Over the past few years, I've highlighted the tremendous amount of grant funding awarded to the City of Medical Lake for infrastructure improvements and you are now seeing the fruits of those efforts. The sidewalk project along Lefevre St. will be followed by ADA ramp upgrades along Lake St. and additional work along roads, trails, and parks throughout the summer and fall as projects have been funded and contractors procured. The City Hall kitchen



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remodel is also underway. I've been spending some time in Olympia talking with legislators about our local and regional concerns. In early March I attended the Governor's Prayer Breakfast and was inspired by Amber Cantu, Great Granddaughter to Chief Seattle, whose message was "the time has come for healing and healing begins with loving your neighbor". Our 2025 focus is on economic development and community revitalization efforts designed to draw visitors from outside our city to spend their time and dollars in our city through festivals, events, and finding the peace and tranquility unique to the historical healing waters of Medical Lake. The greater Spokane region continues to show their care and interest in our collective recovery from the Gray Road Fire as shown in this recent article featured in the Spokane Journal of Business <a href="https://www.spokanejournal.com/articles/16961-impacts-of-fire-persist-for-medical-lake-businesses">https://www.spokanejournal.com/articles/16961-impacts-of-fire-persist-for-medical-lake-businesses</a>. Blessings!

## **City Council Corner**

Commute Trip Reduction Plan Update The Commute Trip Efficiency Act of 2006 resulted in seven Spokane County jurisdictions having an Interlocal Agreement to implement plans that reduce drive alone rates and vehicle miles traveled. The City partnered with STA, WSDOT, and SRTC to complete the 4-year plan update. Security Improvements at Waterfront Park In addition to extra-duty deputies being present in Waterfront Park during festivals, events, and holidays, City Council is considering uniformed security to reinforce rules relating to alcohol, dogs, and noise between Memorial Day and Labor Day.

**Linger at the Lake Concert Series** An agreement with Hero Event Support was authorized and STCU agreed to be the Series Sponsor for our second annual concert series. Mark your calendars for 6/20, 7/3, 7/31, and 8/28.



### In The News

The Barrel Bar & Grill Opens Stop in for breakfast from 6am-2pm, happy hour from 2pm-5pm, and fun events like Trivia Tuesdays, Bingo Wednesdays, Karaoke Thursdays, and live bands on weekends.

City Wide Spring Cleanup Day 5/10 Unload unwanted items on Saturday, 10 May from 8am – 1pm at Waterfront Park. Garbage can be dumped & items of value can be donated to Dollars for Scholars.

Community Events You Won't Want to Miss Spring brings family fun including the Kiwanis Easter Egg Hunt, Fisherman's Breakfast, Shred Day, and more. See the Community Calendar below!

Rent.Fun Kayak and Paddleboard Rentals You can simply and conveniently enjoy self-service rentals at Waterfront Park and Coney Island Park. It is \$25 for the first two hours or \$99 for an unlimited annual membership, good at any Rent.Fun location across the country.





Download the Rent.Fun App!





# **Community Calendar**

### **April**

4/1 – City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm in City Hall

4/15 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm in City Hall

4/17 – Planning Commission Meeting at 5:30 pm in City Hall

4/18 – Yard Waste Trailers available at City Maintenance

4/19 – Kiwanis Easter Egg Hunt at 11:00am in Waterfront Park

4/19 – Re\*Imagine Medical Lake Monthly Farmers Market 11:30am – 3:3-pm in City Hall

4/26 – Fisherman's Breakfast 5:00am – Noon at Station 311

4/26 – Medical Lake Geo Walk – 1:00pm – 3:30pm at Waterfront Park

#### May

5/5-9 – Candidate Filing Week

5/6 – City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm in City Hall

5/7 – ML School District STEM Careers Night 5:30pm – 7:30pm at Medical Lake Middle School

5/9-10 – Dollars for Scholars Community Yard Sale

5/10 – City Spring Cleanup Day 8:00am – 1:00pm at Waterfront Park

5/16 – Shred Day 9:00am – Noon at City Hall

5/20 – City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm in City Hall

5/22 – Planning Commission Meeting at 5:30 pm in City Hall

5/26 – Memorial Day Holiday (City Hall closed)

### MEDICAL LAKE PARKS AND RECREATION



### **4REC SPRING SPORTS**

Time for team play! 4Rec Spring Sports focuses on teaching the fundamentals of the game, learning teamwork, and most of all, HAVING FUN! Teams will practice up to two times per week and play six weeks of Saturday morning games in Airway Heights, Medical Lake, and Cheney.

<u>Spring Soccer</u> Ages: 5-12

**Dates:** 4/26-5/31 **Cost:** \$54

<u>Spring Flag Football</u> Ages: 7-12

**Dates:** 4/26-5/31 **Cost:** \$54

Spirit Squad: Cheer & Dance Ages: 7-12

**Dates:** 4/26-5/31 **Cost:** \$54

Register closed, late registration by call only

### **LEGO-MANIA**

Need something for your kids to do on a cold winter day? Bring them to City Hall to complete a fun LEGO project! Participants will get to select between a variety of different LEGO kits to build. After they are done, they can take their kit home to enjoy again and again!

**Date:** 5/18 **Register By:** 5/14

Time: 1:00pm-3:00pm

Cost: \$30

### EASTER COOKIE DECORATING

Get in the spring spirit and decorate Easter themed cookies with us at City Hall! All ages are welcome,

so bring the whole family!

**Date:** 4/13 **Register By:** 4/9

Time: 1:00pm-3:00pm Cost: \$12/participant

### **AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM**

Join the Medical Lake Parks and Recreation Department everyday after school for some fun free play! We have video games, arts and crafts, board games, homework help, and so much more. This unstructured program is a great way for your grade school children to blow off some steam after being in school all day.

**Grades:** K-5 **Time:** 2:45-5:30pm **Cost:** \$7/Per day (full week discount)

### SUMMER BREAK CAMP

Join Medical Lake Parks and Recreation
Staff this summer for some daily fun and
adventure. We will have daily activities planned, as
well as field trips to places like the trampoline park,
water park, and bowling alley! Daily breakfast and
snack are included, but all participants must bring
their own lunch!!! Registration available throughout
summer on a first come-first serve basis.

**Ages:** 6-13

Dates: Monday-Friday, 6/16-8/22

Time: 7:30am-5:30pm Cost: \$200/week per child

Thanks to the Spokane Parks Foundation, we are able to offer this year's camp at a

reduced rate.

Thank you SPF

for your support!

# SPOKANE PARKS FOUNDATION Planting Roots. Growing Community.

### KID'S MOVIE NIGHT: LILO & STITCH

Bring your friends and your favorite pillow for kid's movie night. We will have pizza for all who attend. This month's feature: Spy Kids!

A young and parentless girl adopts a 'dog' from the local pound, completely unaware that it's

supposedly a dangerous scientific experiment that's taken refuge on Earth and is now hiding from its creator and those who see it as a menace.

**Date:** 4/18

Register By: 4/17 Time: 6:00pm-8:15pm

**Ages:** 5-10 yrs **Cost**: \$10



## TEEN PROGRAMS 11-15 yrs

### MOVIE NIGHT: INTO THE SPIDER-VERSE

Bring your friends and your favorite pillow for kid's movie night. We will have pizza for all

who attend.

This month's feature: Spider-man! Teen Miles Morales becomes the Spider-Man of his universe and must join with five spider-powered individuals from other dimensions to stop a threat for all realities.

**Date: 4/11 Register By: 4/10** 

**Time:** 6:00pm-9:00pm **Cost:** \$10

# FLYING SQUIRREL TRAMPOLINE PARK

Join our Parks and Rec Staff on a trip to Flying Squirrel Trampoline Park! Food and drinks will be available for purchase, so bring money if you want to get some snacks or play games in the arcade.

**Date:** 4/27 **Register By:** 4/25 **Time:** 12:30-4:30pm **Cost:** \$45

Jazzercise classes are in the City Hall Auditorium. See website for price and schedule.

www.jazzercise.com/location/jazzercisewest-plans

### **Pinochle**

**Cost: FREE!** 

Socialize and meet new people in our weekly Pinochle group. Bring a snack to share.

12:00pm - 4:00pm Tuesdays & Saturdays Location: City Hall Auditorium, 124 S

Lefevre St.

### Founder's Day Tournaments

Join the Founder's Day fun by signing up for one of our tournaments! All team members must register online at www.medical-lake.org

Softball Ages: 16-up

**Dates:** 6/20-6/22 **Cost:** \$400/per team

**3v3 Basketball** Ages: TBA Dates: 6/20-6/22 Cost: \$200

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# Craft & Chat: Adult Crafting Night Nature-Inspired Wind Chimes

Need a night out? Join us at City Hall for a night of crafting and conversation! We will have fun

new projects each month to create. This months craft: Nature Inspired Wind Chimes! Come make beautiful, nature inspired wind chimes with glass beads and seashells to bring a



bit of whimsy to your garden! Ages 12 and up are welcome, but participants under 18 must be accompanied by an

adult.

**Date:** 4/26 **Register By:** 4/18 **Time:** 5:00pm-8:00pm **Cost:** \$20

Once we reach enough registrants for Craft & Chat events, we will open up a second time from 6:30-8:00pm to accommodate everyone!

### Lake Coeur D'Alene Cruise Tour

Come on a scenic tour of Lake Coeur D'Alene with us! The tour is 90 minutes with both indoor and outdoor seating. Snacks and beverages will be available for purchase, just meet us at City Hall and we will provide transportation to and from Coeur D'Alene!

**Date:** 4/12 **Register By:** 4/10

**Time:** 12:45-5:00pm

Cost: \$46 (includes ticket price, additional

purchases not included)

### Mother's Day Paint & Sip

Treat your mom for Mother's Day! Join us for

mocktails, charcuterie, and a follow-along acrylic painting tutorial! Ages 12 and up are welcome

to join! **Dates:** 5/10 **Register By:** 5/7 **Time:** 5:00-7:30pm

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### **Adult Soccer**

Adult Soccer is back in action! Stay active, have fun, and play soccer – Whether you're a seasoned pro or a beginner, our adult soccer league offers something for everyone. Get your game on! **All** 

team members must register online at

www.medical-lake.org

**Dates:** 4/18-5/23 **Register By:** 4/11

**Cost:** 300\$

