



## Mayor's Minute

Welcome Spring and Happy Easter friends! It isn't many years we see trees budding, robins returning, and farmers out in their fields this early in the year, but here we are. The sunny days are welcome and so is the start of daylight savings time, March 8th. I've spent quite a few days in Olympia this session and glad to announce the end is near. We are still hopeful. The Senate proposed Capital Budget includes our request for \$232,000 for improvements to the Wastewater Treatment Plant and still must make it through in the final capital budget. The Association of Washington Cities (AWC) has been a tremendous supporter and advocate for cities across the state, of which we are a member. Together we are stronger and those shared agenda items were effective.

Senate Bill 5901 provides school construction assistance program support for on-base schools. This bill has passed both the Senate and the House and is now in the Rules Committee. Thank you to all who gave testimony and contacted your legislators. Our local legislators really do listen, and it pays to engage.

The following three bills: SB 6178 Prohibiting the post-loss assignment of benefits in property insurance, SB 6079 Reducing nonrenewal and cancellations of insurance policies due to wildfire risk, and SB 5928 Concerning wildfire risk models and score disclosure have all passed the Senate and are in the House scheduled for executive session. These post-wildfire bills, introduced by Commissioner Kuderer through the Office of the Insurance Commissioner, appear to have stalled for now. We will need to take a wait-and-see approach as we get closer to the 2026 legislative session. SB 6346 Millionaire's Tax has passed both the Senate and House along party lines with many amendments along the way. More than 1000 bills were dropped this session. For more information go to <https://leg.wa.gov/>.



## Strategic Framework

The City of Medical Lake is focused on quality of life resulting in a community where people live, work, learn, and play in safe neighborhoods, strong schools, and useful parks. This focus is revealed in recent capital improvement projects, increased participation in recreation programs and events, and continued collaboration with the Medical Lake School District. We invite you to help shape Medical Lake's future by sharing your ideas, priorities, and feedback on our Comprehensive Plan Periodic Update. For more information, visit [Comprehensive Plan - City of Medical Lake](#)

## City Council Corner

**City Council Agenda Items.** City Council continued its ongoing focus on accountability, long-range planning, and community investment through a series of updates and annual reports. Council reviewed the Vacant Property Ordinance Annual Report, noting continued progress in tracking and improving long-term vacant structures. The 2026 Grant Application Report highlighted current funding pursuits supporting infrastructure, parks, public safety, and community resilience. Council also received an update on the Lefevre Street restriping project, which aims to improve safety and access through clearer lane configuration. In addition, updates to the City's Cash Management Policy were introduced to strengthen internal controls and financial stewardship. Finally, Council reviewed the latest Healing Waters Strategic Plan Progress Report, outlining measurable steps taken across quality-of-life priorities. [Healing Waters Strategic Plan - City of Medical Lake](#)

Workshops continue to guide the City's **Comprehensive Plan Periodic Update**, expanding into key subjects such as street vacations, housing needs analysis, and zoning. These discussions help ensure that future land use decisions are transparent, data-driven, and aligned with community goals. The City also advanced updates to its development regulations, adopting ordinances that clarify amendment criteria and strengthen code enforcement. Together, these efforts support a clear, predictable planning framework that reflects state requirements and the values of Medical Lake residents. ([Comprehensive Plan - City of Medical Lake](#))

## In The News

**Public Works Kudos.** A recent service request highlighted the City's commitment to responsive, high quality public service. After reporting a concern, a resident shared that she was "extremely impressed" with City staff, noting that they responded immediately, resolved the issue efficiently and professionally, and restored the affected area to its original condition with great care. This reflects our ongoing dedication to timely service, clear communication, and taking pride in the work we do for the community.

## Community Calendar

### March

- 3/14** – Re\*Imagine Medical Lake Farmers Market, 9am-1pm in City Hall Auditorium
- 3/14** – Mom and Son Fun Night, 5-7pm at Medical Lake Middle School [Register Here](#)
- 3/17** – City Council Meeting at 6:30pm in City Hall
- 3/24** – Medical Lake School Board Meeting at 6pm in the Middle School Library and Zoom
- 3/26** – Planning Commission Meeting at 5:30pm in City
- 3/28** – Lions Club Only Fools Run at Midnight

#### Helpful links:

- [Re\\*Imagine Medical Lake](#) (Farmers Market and Festival information)
- [City Council - City of Medical Lake](#) (agendas and minutes)
- [Planning Commission - City of Medical Lake](#) (agendas and minutes)
- [Medical Lake School District](#)
- [Medical Lake Dollars for Scholars](#)

### April

- 4/4** – Kiwanis Easter Egg Hunt, 11am in Waterfront Park
- 4/5** – Easter Sunday
- 4/7** – City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm in City Hall
- 4/18** – Re\*Imagine Medical Lake Farmers Market, 9am-1pm in City Hall Auditorium
- 4/18** – Medical Lake Geology Walk & Water Sampling, 1pm-3:30pm at Waterfront Park
- 4/21** – City Council Meeting at 6:30pm in City Hall
- 4/23** – Planning Commission Meeting at 5:30pm in City Hall
- 4/25** – Fisherman's Breakfast, 6am-Noon, Station 311
- 4/26** – Fit as a Firefighter 5k Run
- 4/28** – Medical Lake School Board Meeting at 6pm in the Michael Anderson Library and Zoom *NOTE: base access required for in-person attendance – Zoom link listed Monday, April 27, 2026, by 9am for virtual participation*



Be sure to follow us on Facebook and Instagram!



### Medical Lake Lions Club- 48th Annual Only Fools Run at Midnight

[Sign Up](#)

[Donate](#)

### March 28, 2026

11:30 pm

Get Ready to Rock Your Style with the Fools Run T-Shirt Reveal!

## SAVE THE DATE!

### Saturday April 25, 2026

**6AM-Noon**

**Station 311  
Medical Lake**



**Pancakes, Sausage,  
Scrambled Eggs,  
Coffee and Juice**

**50/50 Raffle  
Kid Activities**

### Annual Fisherman's Breakfast

Provided by the SCFD 3 Members Association

# MEDICAL LAKE PARKS AND RECREATION

## YOUTH PROGRAMS

### AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

Join us every day after school at Hallett Elementary for some fun free play!

**Grades:** K-5th **Time:** 2:45-5:30pm

**Dates:** Monday-Friday every full school day

**Cost:** \$7/Per day (full week discount)

### SCHOOL'S OUT DAY CAMP: CDA SKATE PLAZA

Need something for your kiddo to do on their day off from school? We got you! Join our staff as we head to the CDA Skate Plaza for a fun day of rollerskating fun! Drop off will begin at City Hall at 7:30am and pickup will go until 5:30pm. Breakfast and snack will be provided, but **make sure your kiddo brings a sack lunch and money if they want to buy pizza or play in the arcade!** For grades K-5th.

**Date:** 3/20 **Register By:** 3/13

**Time:** 7:30am-5:30pm **Cost:** \$50

### Spring Break Camp

**Date:** 4/6-4/10 **Register By:** 3/30

**Time:** 7:30am-5:30pm, M-F **Cost:** \$225

### STAYING SAFE AT HOME EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

#### Safe@Home by Safe Sitter

Help your child take their first steps of independence with confidence! This program helps prepare students to safely stay at home alone by teaching safety and first aid skills. Classes will be taught by our certified Safe Sitter instructor, Jessica Chadwick!

**Grades:** 4-6 **Cost:** \$20 **Location:** Hallett

**Time:** 3:15-4:45pm Elementary School

**Date:** 3/23 **Register By:** 3/16

### 4REC YOUTH SPORTS

4Rec 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.

### Pre-Season 4Rec Camp

Gear up for the coming sports season with this 4-week camp! Players will play games and run through drills to help brush up on skills to aid them in both the flag football and soccer seasons!

**Dates:** Thursdays, 3/12-4/2 **Register By:** 3/5

**Ages 5-8:** 4:00-5:00pm **Cost:** \$40

**Ages 9-12:** 5:15-6:15pm

**Location:** Shepard Field, Medical Lake

### Spring 4Rec Season

**Dates:** 4/13-5/30 **Cost:** \$54

**Last Day to Register:** 3/1, late registration fee \$10

**Sports Offered:** Soccer, Flag Football, Spirit Squad: Cheer & Dance

## CHECK OUT OUR PROGRAMS AVAILABLE FOR TODDLERS & PRE-K!

### PINT SIZED PLAYTIME

Join us for some sensory play with your little one! Playtime activities will vary from class to class.

**Ages:** 1-4 yrs **Time:** 10:00-11:00am

**Dates:** Tuesday, 3/24, 4/21 **Register By:** 3/20, 4/17

**Location:** City Hall Auditorium

**Cost:** \$10/class

### MINI MOVERS SPORTS

Help your mini mover develop hand-eye coordination through play-based learning. Each week will focus on a new skill, like throwing a ball or using their feet to kick!

**Ages:** 2-4 yrs **Time:** 5:15-6:00pm

**Dates:** Mondays 3/2-4/6

**Location:** Hallett Elementary Gym

**Cost:** \$54 for 6 weeks of once-weekly classes

### TINY TIGERS TAEKWONDO

Join Master Hughes to build focus, character, and self-disciplinary skills! Tiny Tigers is designed for children aged 3-6, focusing on developing fundamental physical and mental skills through fun and engaging activities.

**Dates:** Every Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday!

**Wednesday & Friday Classes:** 4:00-4:30pm

**Saturday Class:** 2:00-2:30pm

**Location:** City Hall Auditorium

**Cost:** \$80/month (members can come to any classes offered throughout week)

## FAMILY PROGRAMS

### FAMILY TAEKWONDO CLASSES

Challenge yourself to reach new heights in both mental and physical strength! Join Master Hughes to enhance your fitness level, learn self-defense techniques, and build mental toughness!

**Dates:** Every Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday!

**Wednesday & Friday Classes:** 4:30-5:30pm

**Saturday Classes:** 2:30-3:30pm

**Location:** City Hall Auditorium

**Cost:** \$135/month

### TAEKWONDO MEMBERSHIP SIGN UP PROMO: \$100 FOR YOUR FIRST MONTH, INCLUDING UNIFORM!

For more information about Taekwondo classes and how to register, please reach out at (509) 565-5000 Ex. 2

## TEEN PROGRAMS Ages 11-17

### SAFE SITTER BABYSITTING CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

#### Safe Sitter Essentials

This program is designed to teach students basic safety, childcare, and first aid skills, as well as life & business skills to begin building their babysitting business! Classes will be taught by our Safe Sitter instructor, Jessica Chadwick, and students will graduate with a certification they can share with families to help get babysitting jobs.

**Grades:** 6<sup>th</sup> and up **Cost:** \$50

#### April Course

**Date:** 4/25 **Time:** 10:30am-4:30pm

**Location:** City Hall Council Chambers

### TEEN KICKBALL TOURNAMENT

Grab some friends and kick off the spring with a mini kickball tournament! Teams will consist of 4 players and winning team will get a prize.

**Date:** 3/21 **Register By:** 3/13

**Time:** 12:00-2:00pm **Cost:** \$40/team

**Ages:** 11-17 years **Location:** Waterfront Park

**MOM & SON FUN NIGHT:  
INTERGALACTIC  
CHALLENGE**

March 14<sup>th</sup> 5:00-7:00pm  
Medical Lake Middle School

Join us for a night of games,  
riddles, and challenge to  
become a top-secret agent and  
uncover the alien in disguise!  
Come dressed for the occasion.  
Ages 4+

Register By: 3/8

\$25/couple, \$10/add. guest  
Register on our website  
under "Family Events"



Interested in signing up for one of our programs? Scan the QR code here to get started!

## ADULT PROGRAMS

### SENIOR WELLNESS

#### Senior Fitness Program

Learn new ways to stay agile and confident in your balance and movement!

**Date:** Thursdays, 3/5-4/9 **Time:** 10:00-11:00am

**Cost:** \$5 per class

**Location:** City Hall Auditorium

### SENIOR YOGA

Senior Yoga is back! Join us for a gentle and relaxing time of stretching and strengthening!

**Date:** Wednesdays starting 1/21

**Time:** 11:30am-12:30pm **Cost:** \$8/class

**Location:** City Hall Auditorium

### CRAFT & CHAT ACTIVITIES

Looking to get out of the house? Join us for a fun time of crafting and conversation! See what projects we have planned for the season!

#### Handmade Flower Seed Paper with Sue Hines

Our lovely guest instructor, Sue, will be helping us celebrate Spring by creating handmade paper with flower confetti and wildflower seeds! Perfect for note cards to be shared with those you love!

**Date:** 3/21 **Register By:** 3/13

**Time:** 12:30-2:30pm **Cost:** \$25

#### Spring Floral Arrangement with Sue Hines

Join Sue for her first floral designing class of the year featuring some beautiful, early spring flowers and showcasing a variety of fun techniques for designing at home.

**Date:** 4/18 **Register By:** 4/10

**Time:** 10:00am-12:00pm **Cost:** \$45

#### *Keep an eye out for our summer farm tours!*

5/1 - Nursery Shopping Outing

5/16 - Floral Design Tips

6/30 - S&L Lavendar Farm Tour

7/31 - Blue Picking at Piper Farms

8/18 - The Flower Mill Dahlia Farm Tour

#### **Pinochle (55+)**

**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 Council Chambers