



2025

WEEKLY UPDATE

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
FROM: JUSTIN MILLER, CITY ADMINISTRATOR
DATE: November 14, 2025

"Perseverance is not a long race; it is many short races one after the other." – Walter Elliot

PUBLIC WORKS

Streets, Fleets, Constructions Services and Utilities

- Streets continue to complete fall road sweeping and right-of-way tree pruning.
- Streets staff are preparing to start the winter tree pruning district, which will be the west side of town.
- Utility staff have been cleaning environmental manholes in the stormwater collection system.
- Utility staff is brush-cutting water and sewer easements.
- Bids were opened this week for filter media replacement at the WTP and for Well 6 Rehabilitation Projects.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Recreation and Heritage Center

- Staff toured the new Pickle in the Middle facility, which is under construction, to discuss joint programming possibilities.
- Staff completed the final week of Warming House staff interviews. The full interview process took approximately seven weeks to complete, which is slightly shorter than in previous years. We were able to finish the interview process in a shorter timeframe due to a higher number of early applicants this season.

Arts Center

- Even though we're wrapping up the fall season, programs and classes for winter/spring are filling fast, so we are pivoting to planning summer and fall of 2026!
- The Art Shop in the Fine Arts Building has been revamped and restocked with new handmade items, art kits, cards, and more! Come check it out and pick up a unique gift for the holidays!

- The Holiday Art Sale is fast approaching! We have over 20 local artists selling their handmade artwork, perfect for holiday gift-giving! [Visit our website for more details.](#)
- A Hunting Shack Christmas opens this Saturday, November 15. This show is hilarious! It features a small and delightful cast that brings audiences into a family that feels like home in this heartwarming Minnesota Christmas comedy! [Get your tickets today!](#)
- Lakeville Area Community Band is sprinkling holiday magic again this year with their Enchanted Christmas Concert on December 12 & 13. You don't want to miss this one. [Tickets available now!](#)
- The Arts Center team is busy prepping the Arts Center for the holiday season. [Visit the website to see all the holiday-themed concerts and performances we have in November and December.](#)
- Staff is working with the Lakeville Lions to become "Santa's Workshop" for Holiday on Main, December 6, 2025.
 - The fine arts team is leading a kids' art project. Young people will create wooden door hangers for seniors again this year. Join us from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
 - The Arts Center is also hosting Santa Photos in the theater and S'mores in the parking lot.
 - AND The Community Band will be providing some holiday cheer at the Tree Lighting Ceremony.
- Facility Attendants are working on some repairs to the interior of the Rose Window. Thank you, Tom in Facilities, for getting the lift in working order!

COMMUNICATIONS

- [Sun Thisweek](#): features "Holiday Events, Cheer and Local Happenings," that include [Santa's Secret Store December 6](#), Santa's Letters, Holiday Art Sale December 3-6, [Pub Night with Erin McCawley's Harrison Street Band December 3](#) and the Empty Bowls Fundraiser that night. In addition, it also includes the "[Mayor for a Day](#)" contest, [Citizen's Academy—apply by December 6](#), winter parking ordinance, the [Community Band "Enchanted Christmas" on December 12 & 13](#) and finally, the [Lakeville Citywide Blood Drive](#) December 2-3.
- Media productions for social media:
 - Lakeville Planning Commission: [November 6](#)
 - Meet the Cast: [A Hunting Shack Christmas](#) (part 1)
 - [Santa's Secret Store](#)

Upcoming Meetings of the Council

November 17, 2025	Regular Meeting	6:00 p.m.
November 24, 2025	Work Session	6:00 p.m.
December 1 2025	Regular Meeting	6:00 p.m.

Informational Attachments:

- Police Department Weekly Report
- Fire Department Weekly Report
- Lakeville Liquors Weekly Report



Lakeville Police Department Update

Sunday, November 2 – Saturday, November 8, 2025

795 Calls for Services



166 TRAFFIC STOPS



28 SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY



2 DOMESTICS



33 AUTO ACCIDENTS



13 THEFTS



7 CRISIS MENTAL HEALTH
15 WELFARE CHECKS
0 SUICIDE THREAT/
ATTEMPT/DEATH



19 ALARM BURGLAR
0 FIRE ALARM



7 FRAUD



18 ANIMAL CALLS



0 BURGLARY



20 MEDICALS



6 VANDALISM/DAMAGE
PROPERTY



0 DRUG ACTIVITY



7 CHILD PROTECTION



14 DISTURBANCES



1 DRUNKENNESS



7 MISSING PERSON



0 SHOPLIFTING



Lakeville Police Department Update

Sunday, November 2 – Saturday, November 8, 2025

Weekly Review

Please note, the Weekly Review does not include all calls to which the Lakeville Police Department responded. Incidents included here are based on severity, impact on public safety or other factors.

- Officers attempted to stop a vehicle who was traveling well above the posted speed limit. The driver initially fled but was eventually stopped after encountering another officer. The driver was arrested for fleeing a peace officer in a motor vehicle, reckless driving, and speeding, and was booked into the Dakota County Jail.
- A vehicle was stopped after the driver stopped at a green light and failed to maintain their lane. After officers made contact, they observed signs of impairment. The driver failed the standard field sobriety testing and provided a DMT sample of .18 and was arrested for 3rd Degree DWI.
- Officers were dispatched to a report of an injury crash at Kenwood Trail and 185th Street. A motorcyclist was approaching the roundabout when a deer entered the roadway, resulting in a collision. The rider sustained injuries and was transported to the hospital for treatment.
- Officers spoke with a victim who fell victim to a relationship scam, resulting in a loss of \$42,000 invested in Ethereum and Bitcoin. The funds are currently inaccessible, and the case remains under investigation. This incident serves as a reminder to be vigilant against the evolving tactics of online scammers.
- Multiple officers responded to a t-bone accident at 215th Street West and Dodd Boulevard. The at-fault driver drove through a red light and hit another vehicle. The driver was cited for semaphore violation, and the drivers were checked by medics.
- Officers responded to a road and driving complaint where the vehicle was hitting curbs, swerving, and went over a median. The vehicle was stopped, and the driver was displaying signs of impairment. The driver refused a breath test and was transported to Dakota County Jail on multiple charges.
- A vehicle was observed driving all over the road and officers stopped the vehicle and notified immediate signs of impairment and open containers in the car. Officers ran the driver through the standard field sobriety testing and the driver provided a preliminary breath test of .16 blood alcohol content. The driver was arrested for 3rd Degree DWI and was transported to Dakota County Jail.
- A traffic accident report was completed for a two-vehicle accident at 160th Street and Pilot Knob Road where the at-fault driver rear-ended a vehicle stopped at a red light. The at-fault driver was cited for failure to drive with due care.



Lakeville Fire Department Update Sunday, November 2–Saturday, November 8



FIRES
4



VEHICLE ACCIDENTS
6



MEDICAL
43



FIRE ALARMS
5



GOOD INTENT
13



HAZARDOUS
CONDITIONS
2



SERVICE CALLS
1



INSPECTIONS
25



PLAN REVIEW
14



PRE-PLANS
45



PERMITS ISSUED
14



TEMP HEAT PERMITS
2



FOOD TRUCK LICENSE
1



CHILD CAR SEAT
1



FIRE STATION TOURS
2

Lakeville Liquors

November 9 - November 15, 2025

Weekly Summary



Store Highlights

Heritage Location



Heritage is showcasing a creative birdcage display up front - an eye-catching setup that draws shoppers in and elevates the store's vibe.

Galaxie Location



Galaxie is displaying Decoy wines this month. Stock up while these wines are on sale. Great pairing for the holidays!

Kenrick Location



Kenrick is building some attention grabbing displays in the front of the store, and they have already seen some sales lift! Keep an eye on this space Saturday when they fill it with allocated bourbon!

Keokuk Location



Keokuk has their "Giving Tree" assembled. Grab a tag from the tree and purchase the gift listed for a child in foster care. All gifts will be donated to Foster Together located here in Lakeville.

November Fundraiser Month

This month we are raising funds to benefit the Lakeville Yellow Ribbon. The Yellow Ribbon helps support veterans and their families. Here are the totals so far this month:

Heritage \$2,571, Galaxie \$2,088, Kenrick \$1,738, Keokuk \$9,678

Great totals so far, keep up the great work!



Metrics

November 1-10 Sales Summary				Change in %	
Heritage	\$137,167	2024	\$159,272	Decrease 13.9%	
Galaxie	\$148,024	2024	\$180,111	Decrease 17.8%	
Kenrick	\$118,758	2024	\$139,684	Decrease 15.0%	
Keokuk	\$141,241	2024	\$158,383	Decrease 10.8%	
Combined	\$545,189	2024	\$637,447	Decrease 14.5%	
November 1-10 Customer Count				Change in %	
Heritage	4,792	2024	5,510	Decrease 13.0%	
Galaxie	5,548	2024	6,545	Decrease 15.2%	
Kenrick	4,437	2024	4,966	Decrease 10.7%	
Keokuk	4,462	2024	4,858	Decrease 8.2%	
Combined	19,239	2024	21,879	Decrease 12.1%	
November 1-10 Sales Per Transaction				Change in %	
Heritage	\$28.64	2024	\$28.94	Decrease 1.0%	
Galaxie	\$26.68	2024	\$27.52	Decrease 3.1%	
Kenrick	\$26.77	2024	\$28.13	Decrease 4.8%	
Keokuk	\$31.65	2024	\$32.60	Decrease 2.9%	
Combined	\$27.34	2024	\$29.15	Decrease 6.2%	

January 1 - November 10 Sales Summary				Change in %	
Heritage	\$4,629,190	2024	\$4,770,507	Decrease 3.0%	
Galaxie	\$5,096,720	2024	\$5,413,311	Decrease 5.8%	
Kenrick	\$3,931,593	2024	\$4,076,848	Decrease 3.6%	
Keokuk	\$4,674,308	2024	\$4,752,904	Decrease 1.7%	
Combined	\$18,331,812	2024	\$19,013,570	Decrease 3.6%	
January 1 - November 10 Customer Count				Change in %	
Heritage	160,903	2024	166,458	Decrease 3.3%	
Galaxie	187,565	2024	196,474	Decrease 4.5%	
Kenrick	145,490	2024	149,646	Decrease 2.8%	
Keokuk	147,602	2024	145,999	Increase 1.1%	
Combined	641,560	2024	658,577	Decrease 2.6%	
January 1 - November 10 Sales Per Transaction				Change in %	
Heritage	\$28.78	2024	\$28.73	FLAT +	
Galaxie	\$27.18	2024	\$27.57	Decrease 1.4%	
Kenrick	\$27.03	2024	\$27.26	FLAT -	
Keokuk	\$31.68	2024	\$32.59	Decrease 2.8%	
Combined	\$28.58	2024	\$28.90	Decrease 1.1%	

- November is going to be a calendar challenge! We have one less Friday with a potential decrease of \$54,816. We have large events scheduled in-store and in the Emporium Room this month that should help us combat our calendar considerations. Keep smiling and think positive!

Beyonce

“Never let success go to your head, never let failure get to your heart.”
