

Welcome to Fall in Lakewood!

Calendar of Events

October 9, 2018 – Listen to Lakewood, Turkish American Cultural Center, 13303 Madison – 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. All residents welcome and encouraged to attend. There is no agenda, just a time to ask questions and share thoughts with the Mayor.

October 13, 2018 – Last Lakewood Farmer’s Market – 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. – City Center Park in front of Marc’s Plaza

October 17, 2018 – Welcome to Lakewood, Garfield Middles School 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. If you or someone you know is new to Lakewood or looking for additional opportunities to connect, this event is a good way to learn more about local civic organizations, services and ways to get involved. 50+ organizations, activities for kids and yummy treats along with packets of information about Lakewood. Stop by!

October 20, 2018 – Spooky Pooch Parade, Kauffman Park (15450 Detroit) More information at: www.lakewoodalive.org/spookypooch

October 26, 2018 – Coffee with a Cop – Dunkin Donuts, 17609 Detroit – 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

October 27, 2018 – Pumpkin Palooza, Lakewood H.S., 14100 Franklin Blvd. 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. [Click her for further information.](#)

October 31, 2018 – Halloween – Trick-or-Treat from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

[October Program & Activity Newsletter – Human Services, Division of Aging](#)

Lake Avenue Paving Update

Tomorrow, Wednesday, October 10 through Thursday, October 11, 2018 the crews will be putting the final coat of asphalt on Lake Avenue between Belle and Nicholson. **Wednesday during work hours, traffic between Nicholson Avenue and Belle Avenue will be limited to one-way eastbound.** Two-way traffic will return on Thursday.

If the weather holds out the road stripping will be done on Friday, October 12, 2018 completing the work on Lake Avenue east of Belle to W. 117th Street.

Clean Water Act: The Road Ahead for Lakewood

On October 1, 2018 the Mayor delivered a letter to City Council about the Clean Water Act and what lies ahead for our community. This important letter may be found at the following link:

<http://www.onelakewood.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/10/Letter-to-Council-EPA-and-Waste-Water-Compliance-ver-9-28-18-final.pdf> This is a complex topic but one that is important to and will affect every household in the city so we encourage you to read this letter and attend one of the meetings identified below.

Please mark your calendars for the following community meetings to come learn about Lakewood's Integrated Wet Weather Improvement Plan (IWWIP). The Federal and State Regulators (EPAs and possibly a Federal Judge) are the decision-makers of the plan for our city. Residents are encouraged to come learn, participate and help advocate for a plan that is in our city's best interest taking into consideration time-frame to execute, affordability and effectiveness.

Tuesday, December 4, 2018, 7 p.m. – 9 p.m.

**Community Meeting on the Clean Water Act: The Road Ahead for Lakewood
Lakewood High School Cafeteria**

Wednesday, January 16, 2019, 7 p.m. – 9 p.m.

**Community Open House on the Clean Water Act: The Road Ahead for Lakewood
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Fall Leaf Collection begins on November 5, 2018. The Impact of Weather:

As another fall leaf collection season approaches, one of the challenges associated with this effort is when the leaves will begin to fall. When seeking to predict the onset of the fall leaf drop one must first think "summer".

Why summer? Summer drought conditions stress trees. If summer precipitation was below normal and/or there was a prolonged drought period, trees may lose their leaves prematurely or start color production prematurely. The result is a reduction of color during the peak of the season and trees will drop their leaves sooner. Adequate summer rains promote good tree health, leaf retention and more color production.

Also a warmer than normal October with sunny days and average rain fall can cause trees to hold on to their leaves longer – even through November.

The most challenging aspect of fall leaf collection – besides parked cars – is the delay in the onset of leaf drop. This causes a scenario in which the majority of the leaves do not completely fall from trees until the beginning of December, which may often coincide with early season snow falls – placing great demands on city crews collecting an inordinate amount of leaf material late into the season and having those collection efforts temporally halted in the event of further snow and ice conditions.

The city of Lakewood will begin collecting loose leaves on Monday, November 5, 2018 and will continue collecting through Friday, December 14, 2018. For full information and updates about leaf collection go the city website or [click here](#).

Park Updates

Cove Park renovations have been completed with the installation of the Picnic Shelter. Lakewood Garden Club welcomed the park revitalization with the installation of a welcoming draught resistant perennial garden at the Cove Avenue entrance.



Garden area before work



Lakewood Garden Club getting Ready to landscape and plant.



Finished garden at Cove Park



Thoreau Entrance to Cove Park



Bike Racks



Picnic shelter

Energy Efficiency and Greenhouse Gas Emissions

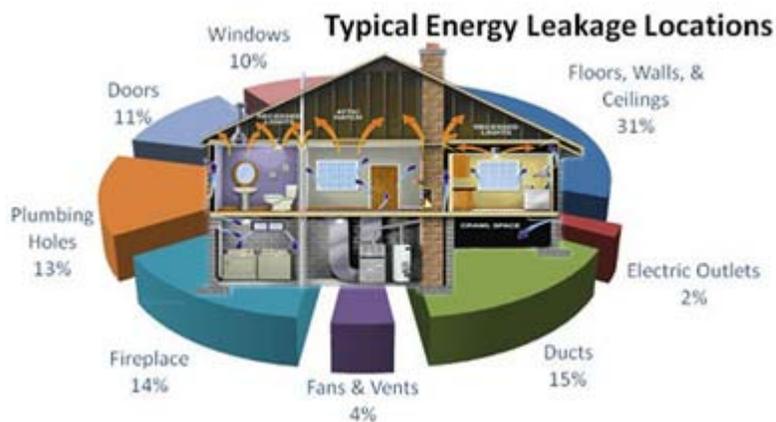
The Cuyahoga County, Office of Sustainability recently released County greenhouse gas emissions data which is further broken down by community. To see the Lakewood Community Dashboard [click here](#).

October 5, 2018 was Energy Efficiency Day. As fall approaches – take a look at your house and see if you can stop the typical energy leaks from happening. (See graphic below)

For those individuals meeting income qualifications, the City offers weatherization grants up to \$5,000 & free energy audits. To learn more about this program, visit <https://bit.ly/2PblR6d> or call the Planning & Development Department at 216-529-7681.

Energy efficiency tips, programs and audits:

NOPEC Energy Saving Tips: [Interactive House by Season](#)
Office of the Ohio Consumers' Counsel [Smart Energy Tips](#)
Dominion East Ohio Gas [Energy Efficiency Programs](#)



Dog Spay & Neuter Program

PetFix of Northeast Ohio, Petsmart Charities and the City of Lakewood have collaborated to offer a Free Spay or Neuter program for those who qualify for government assistance along with Lakewood residency. Free transport from Lakewood Park on October 25, 2018. For more information: <http://www.onelakewood.com/event/spay-neuter-program/> or call 216-732-7040.

Should you have questions about any of the information in this email please feel free to reach out to the Mayor's Office at 216-529-6600.