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Town and Country Days Information

Love, Lake Mills

The Town and Country Days Festival will unite the community on Thursday, June 26th, through Sunday, June 30th. We at Legendary Lake Mills organize the Town and Country Days Parade. The Town and Country Days Parade will be occurring on Saturday, June 28th at 10:30AM. The parade will run down Main Street and is sponsored by Culvers of Lake Mills, Bank of Lake Mills, Farmers and Merchants State Bank, and Greenwoods State Bank. Thank you to our Event Chair, Amy Litscher, who puts her heart and soul into making this parade special each year! Immediately after the Town and Country Days Parade will be a performance by the Main Street Big Band at the Commons Park Band Shelter.

Town and Country Days is organized in collaboration with multiple community organizations. The American Legion Post 67 organizes the carnival rides, and the Sons of the American Legion organizes the music and ever-popular Beer Tent.

#### **Ride Schedule**

Thursday, June 26th: 5:00PM - 9:00PM Friday, June 27th: 5:00PM - 9:00PM Saturday, June 28th: 12:00PM - 4:00PM & 5:00PM - 9:00PM Sunday, June 29th: 12:00PM - 4:00PM



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### **TOWN & COUNTRY DAYS 2025** SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

**COMMONS PARK - LAKE MILLS, WI** 

#### THURSDAY, JUNE 26th

THE LOWDOWN 7-10PM

#### FRIDAY, JUNE 27th

THE ROTATION 7:30-11:30PM \$5 CASH COVER CHARGE • 21+ • 6PM START VETERANS & ACTIVE MILITARY - FREE ADMISSION W/ ID

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 28th

UNDER THE BEER TENT ANDY BRAUN 2:30-5PM

BIG SPOON 7:30-11:30PM \$5 CASH COVER CHARGE • 21+ • 6PM START VETERANS & ACTIVE MILITARY - FREE ADMISSION W/ ID

#### SUNDAY, JUNE 29th

THE WHISKEYBELLES 1-4PM



### Farmers Market Season 2025

The Lake Mills Farmers Market will be officially kicking off on Wednesday, May 14th, and will run through Wednesday, September 24th. (Note that there will be no Farmers Market on Wednesday, June 25th, as Town and Country Days set-up will be occurring.) This year, our fabulous Program Assistant, Mallory Topel, will be the acting Marketing Manager. We are excited to bring another fabulous Farmers Market to our community this summer

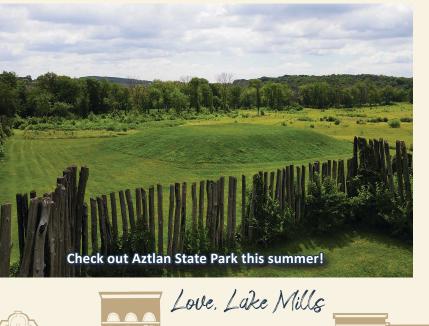
The Farmers Market will run each Wednesday from 2:00PM - 6:00PM in historic Commons Park. At each market, there will be live entertainment as well as a free activity for children. There will be new vendors, fresh produce, crafts and artwork, food, and more!

Thanks to our Farmers Market Sponsors: Agency Insurance, Bank of Lake Mills, Drehm Insurance, Farmers and Merchants State Bank, Jensen Plumbing Heating and Air, Lake Mills Veterinary Clinic, and Sanft Accounting.



### Summer is Heating Up

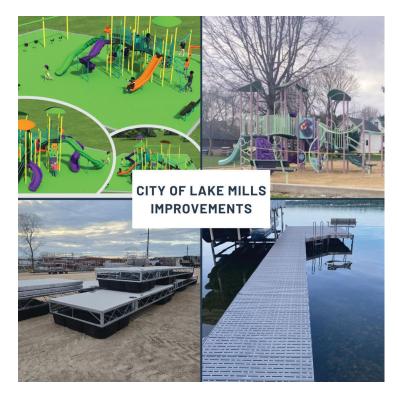
Summer in Lake Mills is truly legendary! Spend your days soaking up the sun at beautiful Rock Lake, perfect for swimming, boating, and relaxing along the sandy shores. Explore the scenic Glacial Drumlin Trail, a favorite for biking, walking, and connecting with nature. Downtown Lake Mills offers a charming shopping experience, with unique boutiques, local artisans, and cozy cafes around every corner. Enjoy our many local parks, where playgrounds, picnic spots, and open green spaces invite you to slow down and savor the season. Whether you're looking for outdoor adventure or a leisurely afternoon, Lake Mills has everything you need for a summer to remember!



# City of Lake Mills Improvements

The City of Lake Mills has exciting improvements underway that will make some of our most cherished outdoor spaces even more enjoyable.

- The City is currently installing a new playground at Memorial Park. The existing playground was the oldest within the Lake Mills Parks System. The new playground will feature handicap accessible sidewalks, rubberized flooring, toddler swings, 4 slides, rock climbing walls, and gymnastics bars. The goal was to provide a playground that appeals to several different age groups. Color selection for the equipment was selected by local Girl Scout Troop 8243, and anticipated completion will be mid to late May.
- New piers will be installed at the Sandy Beach boat launch as well as all public access piers, including the swim pier at Sandy Beach and the street end piers at College, Fremont, and Hubbs Street. The two boat launch piers are floating, creating easier access and exit to watercraft with changing water levels, and are designed to be more sustainable in the event of any damage. The public access piers will feature benches and composite decking, mitigating hot surface temperatures. They are designed to accommodate multiple forms of recreation, including fishing, sunbathing, swimming, etc.









### Celebrate the 25th Anniversary of Korth Park

Thursday, June 5th at Korth County Park at 6pm Cake, Ice Cream, and Community Fun!

## Community Member Spotlight

This month, we shine our Community Member Spotlight on Dr. Bill Stork, beloved Veterinarian and owner of the Lake Mills Veterinary Clinic. Known for his gentle nature and sharp wit, Dr. Stork is not only a dedicated animal care provider

but also a gifted storyteller with a deep appreciation for the everyday heroes in our midst. When he's not tending to pets, he's chronicling the unsung stories of ordinary people, revealing their extraordinary hearts through his published books, including In Herriot's Shadow, Stepping from Herriot's Shadow, and his latest, I Have Never Failed.

Dr. Bill Stork considers himself a lucky man. Have you met his wife? His kids

are healthy, productive, and kind, and he gets to work for people who love animals. Behind his warm smile and active life lies a quiet fear: the memory of his mother's battle with Alzheimer's. Watching her decline left a lasting mark, and

mind. Instead of letting that fear take root, Bill has chosen action. He's partnered with The UW Initiative to End Alzheimer's, a leader in research, education, and support for those impacted by the disease. This June 28, he and a team of friends and family will take on Pikes Peak by bicycle as part of Minds Over Mountains, a challenge to raise awareness and support for the cause. Ahead of the ride, a special Father's Day event will be held on June 15 at Tyranena Brewing Company. To get involved or support the cause, reach out to Bill at the Lake Mills Veterinary Clinic billstork34@gmail.com or visit give. wiscmedicine.org/MindsOverMountains.

now, every forgotten word triggers a flicker of worry in Bill's

## Legendary Lake Mills Updates and Accomplishments

We at Legendary Lake Mills have been working hard to fulfill our mission to make Lake Mills a better place to do business, work, live, and visit. As an organization, we continue to make leaps and bounds towards better serving our beloved community. Below are a few of our many latest accomplishments:

- Another year of successful winter events. The Winter Market, Annual Tree Lighting, and Knickerbocker Ice Festival brought the community together for celebration. Thank you for attending and making these events special.
- On Saturday, April 26th, the Design **Committee organized a Community** Clean-Up Day. A group of Lake Millsloving volunteers worked together to prepare Lake Mills for the summer season. Trash was picked up, downtown planters were prepped for the season, and betterment projects were accomplished.



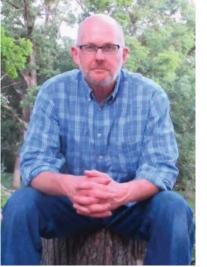
- A \$5,000 Legendary Lake Mills Facade Grant was approved for 118 Water **Street.** New owners of this property have been hard at work renovating. Take a stroll by and admire their hard work. Projects completed include: paint, window replacement, and removal of the pole barn structure, which allows for views of the creek that flows behind the building.
- Our Membership continues to flourish. Our new Legendary Lake Mills members include: Club 55, the Lake Mills Optimist Club, McKay Nursery, Simple Kup, Velveteen Cocktail Lounge, and Watertown Regional Medical Center.

# Legendary Lake Mills Needs YOUR Help

The Planter Program is organized by us at Legendary Lake Mills! This program is funded by donations from locals and Lake Mills business owners. Planter maintenance and watering are done by a group of wonderful and hard-working volunteers. We will be giving a PLANTER PRAISE to those who have donated to make the Planter Program possible! Consider donating to the Legendary Lake Mills Planter Program. Donations go towards the flowers that are planted in concrete planters scattered about our Downtown District. Donations to the Planter Program can be mailed to 200E



Water Street, Lake Mills, WI. Make checks payable to Legendary Lake Mills, with memo "Planter Program Donation". Donations to this cause are taxdeductible.



Director's Dich

Greetings! My name is Raina Severson and my passion is to support the community members and business owners, which is why I am honored to serve as the Executive Director



of Legendary Lake Mills: A Chamber Main Street Organization.

Raina's Recommendations

Get creative and participate in open crafting at Let's Get Crafty, located at 318 N Main Street. Let's Get Crafty offers a variety of classes for kids and adults as well as open studio time. The space is designed to be a comfortable place to inspire creativity, fun, learning, and smiles!

Learn Gardening for Health and Wellness with Melinda Myers on Saturday, May 31st from 10:00am through 12:00pm. This will be located at the Municipal Building 200 Water Street. Club

55 sponsored this event for the community. no need to be 55+ to attend Melinda is a nationally known gardening expert, TV/radio host, author, and columnist. Melinda Myers has 35+ years of horticulture experience and has written 20+ gardening books including Midwest Gardener's



Handbook. There is a limit of 50 attendees. To sign up email Raina@LegendaryLakeMills.com.

Sip on a cocktail flight at the Velveteen Cocktail Lounge located at 128 E Madison Street. Having trouble deciding on just one drink? Treat yourself to a flight instead. One of my favorites is the mule flight, featuring classic, raspberry, mango, and Mexican mules. It's a tasty little adventure in every sip! Bonus, they have a charming patio to enjoy when the weather allows.

Show off your vocal skills at a Pyramid Event Venue karaoke night. Pyramid Event Venue is located at 117s Main Street and hosts a variety of FUN karaoke events. Are you ready to channel your inner superstar, join in the fun Themed nights include classic sing-alongs, Disney, Broadway, and even special nights for kiddos. There is a mic waiting for everyone.

Sign-up for the Lake Mills Area Community Foundation (LMACF) E-Newsletter at www.LMACF.org. The LMACF is a charitable organization that inspires investment and gifting to enrich the community of Lake Mills and the people who live, work, and visit here. LMACF supports several high school scholarships, sponsors community events to local causes Together, we can make Lake Mills a great place to live, now and for future generations.