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**2014 Annual Consumer Confidence Water Report**

The City of Leavenworth is pleased to present to you this year's Annual Water Quality Report. This report is designed to inform you about the quality of the water and services delivered to residents every day.

The water treatment plant operators maintain the constant goal of providing a safe and dependable supply of drinking water and are continually improving the water treatment process as well as protecting our water resources.

You may review the report at **www.cityofleavenworth.com**

## "A Visit With Dude Brown"

By Carolyn A. Wilson
Leavenworth City Council

If you mention the name "Dude Brown" in Leavenworth, most people will know exactly who you are talking about. Not only was he the Sheriff in the early 1900's when Leavenworth was still wild and wooly, he also was a gold miner in Alaska, a Forest Service Packer, a Chelan County Commissioner, and a State Legislator!

Do you want to know more about this fascinating character and have fun to boot? Plan to attend "A Visit with Dude Brown" on Friday night, June 5th at 8:00 PM at the Snowy Owl Theater on the grounds of Sleeping Lady Mountain Retreat.

Dude will be portrayed by well-known actor and founder of Leavenworth Summer Theater, John Wagner. It is rumored that several City officials will appear in the show as rather dubious and shady characters! Some might say that is type casting at its best!

Tickets are available at the Upper Valley Museum and also at the door the night of the show. The Icicle Creek Center for the Arts will be selling concessions in the lobby before the show. Be sure to mark the date and come join the fun. How often do you get to meet an icon "in person"!

*Call the Leavenworth Upper Valley Museum for more information 548-0728.*

## Restroom Addition at Lions Club Park

The Leavenworth Lions Club and Projekt Bayern teamed up last summer to build a shell structure which will become the restroom addition in Lions Club Park at a cost of $160,000. One-Way Construction NW was contracted to build the structure which is attached to the existing Lions Club Storage building that is located inside the park. Once construction of the building was completed, the City joined in and purchased all of the interior restroom fixtures and provided the labor to complete the interior of the restroom project.

The project is nearing completion, although there are still some finishing touches that are necessary in order for the new addition to be in compliance with Leavenworth's Old World Bavarian Alpine Theme. Projekt Bayern has provided the necessary funds to complete a hand painted mural alongside the building and the City will provide the landscaping and pathways.

The restrooms are tentatively scheduled to open on May 1st this year. This will be just in time for the Lions Club Community All-You-Can-Eat Breakfast events that take place from Maifest through Oktoberfest in Lions Club Park.

## Don't Give Mosquitoes a Chance!

Only female mosquitoes bite people. Both male and female feed mainly on fruit and plant nectar, but the female also needs the protein in blood to help her eggs develop. Once she's had her fill of blood, she'll rest a couple of days before laying eggs.

Female mosquitoes can lay up to 300 eggs at a time. Usually, the eggs are deposited in clusters—called rafts— on the surface of stagnant water, or they are laid in areas that flood regularly. Eggs can hatch in as little as an inch of standing water. Females will lay eggs up to three times before they die.

## Season Pool Passes on Sale Now!

**Family Pass**
**PRSA $140 / Non $170**

**Individual Pass**
**PRSA $80 / Non $100**

**Senior Pass**
**PRSA $50 / Non $60**

**Day Use**
**PRSA $3.25 / Non $5.25**

**Day Use Senior**
**PRSA $2.25 / Non $4.25**

**Day Use Lap Swim**
**PRSA $3.25 / Non $5.25**

# Leavenworth Mosquito Control District

The Leavenworth Mosquito Control District needs your Help. Mosquitoes need water to breed and grow. It doesn't take much water and it doesn't take much time. So, almost anything that will hold water for one week or more can produce these pests. Many places around your home may be causing mosquito problems. Get rid of places where water collects and mosquitoes won't have a chance. Tarps, tires, buckets, and boats should be drained. These small sites provide habitat for the house mosquito which can carry West Nile virus.

*If you see two or more mosquitoes, call* ***Manager Jenny Mullins at 393-2482*** *and she will try to locate the source of the problem.*

Our district was recently featured in the Spring 2015 issue of Mosquito Control Magazine due to our success in controlling all types of mosquitoes. (The magazine is available online: we are on pages 4 and 5.) We would like to thank all of you who helped us to achieve this honor. Your efforts to keep your yard free of standing water make a difference!

**PHOTO: Amy Massey**
**2015 Spring Mosquito Control Magazine**
**www.cheminova-us.com**

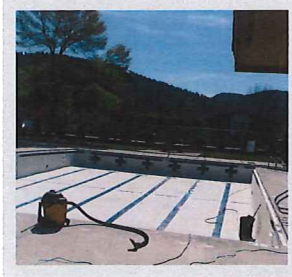
# Howard Hopkins Memorial Pool

## *Summer Pool Season is set to begin on May 23rd!*

Spring has sprung! These sunny, warm days have us all eager to begin our summer and enjoy all that our pool has to offer. Opening day is scheduled for Memorial Day weekend, May 23, 2015. The official schedule will be released as we get closer to the opening date and will be available at City Hall as well as our website; www.cityofleavenworth.com

Be ready for opening day and purchase your season passes early to avoid the crowds. Passes will go on sale May 4, 2015 at City Hall during normal operating hours. City of Leavenworth staff has been working vigorously to make sure that the pool is ready for all to enjoy. You may have noticed over the past few weeks that the pool has been drained and our utility crew has been making all necessary repairs and improvements. It is not an easy task to prepare the pool for the season, the pool must be scrubbed and tiles have to be repaired or replaced every spring.

This year you will see that we have purchased a new ladder, leveled the pool deck, painted the shower rooms and entryway, and as part of the City's energy grant, we have replaced our old pool covers with brand new solar covers. We look forward to a great season, if you have any questions regarding the pool please refer to our website; the page is updated as soon as we receive current information.



**Pool** simple steps save lives **SAFELY**

Swimming is the most popular summer activity. The best thing you can do to help your family stay safe is to enroll in age-appropriate swim lessons. Contact the city pool at 548-4142 to learn more.

***Make Water Safety Your Priority***

- Swim in designated areas supervised by lifeguards.
- Always swim with a buddy; do not allow anyone to swim alone. Even at a public pool or a lifeguarded beach, use the buddy system!
- Ensure that everyone in the family learns to swim well. Enroll in age-appropriate Red Cross water orientation and Learn-to-Swim courses.
- Never leave a young child unattended near water and do not trust a child's life to another child; teach children to always ask permission to go near water.
- If you go boating, wear a life jacket! Most boating fatalities occur from drowning.
- Have young children or inexperienced swimmers wear US Coast Guard-approved life jackets around water, but do not rely on life jackets alone.
- Establish rules for you family and enforce them without fail. For example, set limits based on each person's ability, do not let anyone play around drains and suction fittings, and do not allow swimmers to hyperventilate before swimming under water or have breath-holding contests.
- Even if you do not plan on swimming, be cautious around natural bodies of water including ocean shoreline, rivers and lakes. Cold temperatures, currents and underwater hazards can make a fall into these bodies of water dangerous.
- Avoid alcohol use. Alcohol impairs judgment, balance and coordination; affects swimming and diving skills; and reduces the body's ability to stay warm.
- Actively supervise children whenever around the water-even if lifeguards are present. Do not just drop your kids off at the public pool or leave them at the beach—designate a responsible adult to supervise.

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**Leavenworth Summer Wine Walk**
June 6
Day of Fee: $45 / person,
$80 / couple
Where: Leavenworth
**www.cascadefarmlands.com**

Stroll through Leavenworth and sample over 60 wines at more than 20 locations. Souvenir wine glass, wine tote, passport for prize drawing, cheese and crackers at each location, live music, and more.

**Kinderfest**
July 4
11:00 AM—3:00 PM
Where: Front Street Park
**www.leavenworth.org**

Come celebrate Kinderfest on the 4th of July! Our Bavarian village celebrates children and their families and this event is FREE for all children. Come on out and enjoy!

* *Kiddie Bike Parade at 11:00 AM*

# Regional Stormwater Wetlands Master Plan

In early March of 2015 Mayor Cheryl K. Farivar and the Leavenworth City Council initiated the development of a Regional Stormwater Wetlands Master Plan. The project is being funded in large part by a Centennial Water Grant awarded to the City by the Department of Ecology.

The goal of the project is to characterize the wetlands, identify stormwater management issues, identify potential stormwater/watershed corridors, and complete the environmental analysis to develop a detailed Stormwater Wetland Master Plan and provide the City with a Green Infrastructure Plan to assist in managing future growth of the City. The study area focuses on both the lands currently within the City and the City's Urban Growth Area. Mayor Farivar acknowledged that the number one goal in developing the proposal for the project and subsequent funding was getting the support of the community. The project was developed out of a community wide Wetland Symposium sponsored by the City Council and Chelan County in June of 2013.

The project got underway in early April; Grette Associates is performing the onsite wetland investigations and wetland analysis with the permission of the property owners. Pacific Engineering is conducting an inventory of stormwater systems, and developing an understanding of the hydrology of the region which will be subsequently used within the Plan. As work progresses, the community will be invited to "citizen outreach and forums." The first one is scheduled for the evening of June 4th at 6:30 PM in the Festhalle to discuss the beginnings of the Plan. The project is expected to be completed early in 2016, and you can access the City webpage www.cityofleavenworth.com, or contact Nathan Pate, Development Services Manager at 509-548-5275 or dsmanager@cityoflevenworth.com for more information.

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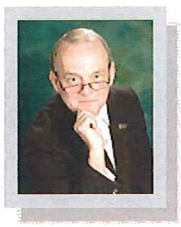
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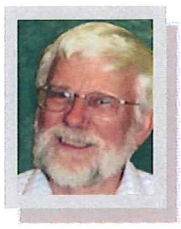
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# News from the City Council

## City Project Update...

**Residential Alley Grading:**
Every spring our City crew works diligently on repairing residential alleyways from the previous winter. This spring, with the early thaw, needed repair work was initiated earlier than usual. Our Public Work crews were proactive on their approach; we have completed the annual spring grading and graveling as of April 17, 2015. Dust control for the alleyways has already been scheduled and will begin in the upcoming weeks. If you have any questions or concerns regarding your alley please contact the Public Works Department at (509) 548-5275.

**Commercial Street Reconstruction Project—3rd—8th Street:**
The City of Leavenworth City Council has awarded the Commercial Street Reconstruction project to Hurst Construction. On Thursday, April 30th a ground breaking ceremony was conducted by the Mayor and Council with initial construction to begin as early as May 4th; vehicle and pedestrian access restrictions will begin on May 18, 2015. The project consists of a new road, curbs, walks, lighting, and infrastructure and is slated to be completed by fall of 2015. During this time, access to Commercial Street between 3rd and 8th Street will be closed to all but residents and emergency traffic. Check with the City of Leavenworth website for weekly progress updates.