On Monday, November 29th, the one year anniversary of Lakewood’s tragedy, the Lakewood Police Department will unveil a memorial honoring four of its finest: Sergeant Mark Renninger and Officers Tina Griswold, Ronnie Owens, and Greg Richards. The memorial will be located on the grounds of the Lakewood Police station and will be completed with generous donations of time, talent, and treasure from Architects Rasmussen and Tribelhorn, Porter Brothers Construction, and Quiring Monuments. The names of the four officers are inscribed and a quote from Mayor Doug Richardson is revealed on the left panel: “There is no higher calling than to do one’s duty, and they served well.” Lakewood Police provided the vision for the memorial.

Lakewood recognized as a 2010 “100 Best Communities for Young People” by America’s Promise. “100 Best” celebration photos clockwise from upper left: Lakewood’s three mayors during 15 years of incorporation: Claudia Thomas, Bill Harrison, and Doug Richardson; the City Council poses with Tony Robinson (Chair of Lakewood’s Promise), Jordan LaPier, the Senior Director of 100 Best Communities (both to the left of the mayor) and Kurt Sample, Lakewood’s Promise Executive Director (far right); the Youth Council presides at the council dais during a standing room only celebration on October 18th. Councilmember Claudia Thomas serves on the Lakewood’s Promise Board and remarked: “This national recognition was made possible by our youth working hard to change the culture in Lakewood. Just as importantly, we couldn’t have done it without the support of countless community leaders and volunteers giving so generously of their time and talents.” See www.americaspromise.org to learn more about how a coalition of Lakewood organizations supporting youth went above and beyond to earn this award for our community for the fourth time.
City Council Highlights

The Lakewood City Council meets every Monday, except on federal holidays when meetings are generally postponed a day, and on fifth Mondays of the month. Your City Council took action on a variety of issues over the last few months. The Council wants to hear from you. Please email your thoughts to council@cityoflakewood.us or leave a message at 589-2489.

August-October 2010

- Authorized $16,893 special assessment and lien against 15116 Portland Avenue SW for the abatement of public nuisances and dangerous buildings.
- Authorized to sell portions of streets rights-of-way in the Ponders area of Pacific Highway SW below market rates to spur economic development.
- Authorized $170,000 to acquire and install a pre-fabricated restroom at Ft. Steilacoom Park.
- Appointed Bryan Thomas to serve on the Public Safety Advisory Committee through August 6, 2013.
- Appointed Naomi Bess to serve on the Youth Council for school year 2010-2011.
- Reappointed Jim Charboneau and Jason Gerwen to serve on the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board through September 19, 2013.
- Reappointed Sissy Telahun to serve on the Community Development Block Grant Citizens Advisory Board through September 20, 2013.
- Awarded $1,470,518 contract to Miles Resources, LLC, for the construction of vehicle video cameras from October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2013.
- Authorized $79,730 grant agreement with the Department of Justice, for police vehicle video cameras from October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010.
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- Authorized a $16,893 special assessment and lien against the property at 12623 Bridgeport Way SW, for the abatement of a public nuisance and dangerous building.
- Appointed Robert Zawilski to serve on the Planning Advisory Board through February 11, 2011.
- Authorized a $1,190,565 contract with Active Construction, Inc. for the construction of the Woodbrook Sewer Extension Project and Woodbrook Storm Drainage and Roadway Project.
- Authorized the City Manager to execute an agreement with KPFPP Consulting Engineers, in an amount not to exceed $300,115, for the design of the pedestrian bridge associated with the Lakewood Station connection project.
- Amended code to authorize Animal Control Officers to carry tasers and collapsible batons.
- Authorized the City Manager to execute an agreement with KPFF Consulting Engineers, in an amount not to exceed $300,115, for the design of the pedestrian bridge associated with the Lakewood Station connection project.
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The City continues work on the Lakewood Legacy Plan, a 20-year strategic plan for building a quality and sustainable parks and recreation system. In early November, 6000 households in Lakewood were randomly selected to receive a survey questionnaire (that’s about one in every four households). The survey included questions regarding your park and recreation needs, your expectations of our programs and services and the kinds of facilities you use or wish we had in Lakewood. All the answers to the survey questions are confidential, and will be tallied and analyzed by an outside consulting firm. If you received a survey and have not completed it, please invest a little time to complete it. To learn more about the Legacy Plan process to local non-profit agencies for human services. This budget (or about $360,000) through a competitive grant process to local non-profit agencies for human services. This budget (or about $360,000) through a competitive grant

Emergency Sheltering Volunteer Recruitment

When large groups of people are temporarily displaced from their homes in a disaster, it may be necessary to house them in an emergency shelter. Over the past several years, the City has been committed to the development of an emergency sheltering program and is currently seeking additional volunteers willing to be trained to serve during a disaster. A variety of skills are needed: medical care, animal care, security, food preparation, foreign language (fluency) and office management. A volunteer application packet is available at City Hall and online at www.cityoflakewood.ar. A background check is required. For more information contact Sun Riley at 983-7758.

Park Facility Reservations

It’s never too early to reserve space at one of Lakewood’s many park facilities for the 2011. The reservation form, special use questionnaire, updated fee schedule and facility rules are available at www.lakewoodparksandrecre.com. There is tremendous demand for the fields, shelters, and open spaces areas for birthday parties, company picnics or community special events. In the past two years use of the City’s park facilities has increased by 40%. Reservations will be considered on a first-come/first-serve basis by calling 983-7887.

Lakewood Human Services

Each year the Council appropriates 1% of the general fund budget (or about $360,000) through a competitive grant process to local non-profit agencies for human services. This year the City received over $1 million in requests. These services provide the most basic needs of our most vulnerable citizens for food, clothing, housing, healthcare, after-school programs, early learning, domestic violence victim support, disability, and grief support services.

Mark your calendars!

• Join us at the 15th Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Festival at Lakewood City Hall on Friday, December 3rd from 4-7pm. The Emergency Food Network will be collecting canned goods for those less fortunate — please be generous!

• Please join the City in celebrating Dr. MLK Jr. Day, Saturday, January 15, from 10am noon at CPTC’s McGavick Conference Center.

Lakewood’s adopted Army unit, the 4th Stryker Brigade, 2nd Infantry Division “Raiders” received a great deal of national media attention when it convoyed from Baghdad to Kuwait this summer as the last combat brigade to leave Iraq. The brigade honored Lakewood by identifying it as a phase line in the border crossing to Kuwait (left). On the right, soldiers anxiously prepare to reunify with family and friends after a flight from Kuwait to McChord Field. Countless Lakewood area businesses contributed $70,000 in cash, merchandise, and services to host a BBQ event for about 5,000 soldiers and family members on October 7th after the brigade’s uncasing ceremony. The Lakewood community’s generosity was overwhelming and was coordinated by the Lakewood sub-chapter of the Association of the US Army (AUSA). To get involved or learn more about the Lakewood sub-chapter, call 983-7761.
Falling leaves from your property into the street.
Up large piles of leaves, so please do not rake or
can not
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Street
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CITY CONTINUES ABATEMENTS

"Abatement" is an enforcement
process that enables the City to
eliminate dangerous buildings and
public nuisances through
repair, demolition, or
cleanup. There are detailed legal
procedures for the two types of
abatements — dangerous
building and public nuisance.
Since 2007, abatements have been complicated by the
sub-prime mortgage and "flip
this house" culture and the
housing crash. Do-it-yourself
TV programs made it look easy to
remodel and "flip" houses, usually
with no mention of plans,
permits, or building codes.
Inexperienced owners increas-
ingly found themselves over their
heads. As a result, problems ranging from foreclosures to
renovation projects "gone bad" and underfunded or absent
landlords have plagued a variety of
neighborhoods. Very frequently, neighbors feeling victimized by
the blight next door have called the
City to resolve such issues.
For the first ten months of
2010, the City completed
eleven abatement cases at a
cost of $157,516. Most of those
funds will be retrieved by placing liens against properties. Twenty
three cases are currently active
and nine are pending. Generally,
more residential than commercial
properties are abated and, about
half of the time property owners
are willing and able to resolve
problems such as the example in
the accompanying photos.

Economic Development Resources for Businesses and Residents

Economic development is Lakewood’s top priority. To deliver
information to residents, expanding businesses or prospective
new businesses, staff has provided reports and extensive
demographic and statistical information under the "Departments" and "Economic
Development" tabs at www.cityoflakewood.us.

From here, you can find links for business, community, market
data (including a variety of demographic information for businesses),
maps, military growth, and presentations. Highlights of a hotel
study for Pacific Highway are also included and show why this
major artery has so much potential for continued redevelopment.
Furthermore, the military growth link is updated as new information
on our Office of Economic Adjustment study funded by the Depart-
ment of Defense becomes available. This study will be completed in
late November or early December, but an abundance of information
is currently available. Finally, information on the EB-5 Immigrant
Investor Program, business assistance, capital improvement
projects, small business assistance resources, a major employers
list, plus many other resources are also in this section.

Pharmaceutical Disposal at LPD

The Lakewood Police Department (LPD) is now participating in a community-based
collection program for waste pharmaceuticals and controlled substances.
With the support of the Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department (TPCHD), LPD will handle the proper
collection and disposal of outdated or unwanted pharmaceuticals, including
over-the-counter medications, prescription drugs and
controlled substances. The TPCHD will provide a secured collection drop box which will be
stored by a security camera in the LPD lobby. Residents may drop off eligible waste items on week-
days between 9am and 5pm. To participate, gather your medications and other approved
items, (see below), leave them in their original containers, mark out all personal information (if you
wish) and bring the items to the collection site and deposit them in the medical disposal unit.

City Manager Andrew Neiditz stands with
Benjamin Kelly (the Seattle police officer who
ended the Maurice Clemmons manhunt) during the
2010 Law Enforcement Memorial in
Washington DC. Neiditz was recently installed as
the West Coast Regional Vice President of
ICMA, the International City/County
Management Association.
### ADVISORY BOARDS & COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE

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- City Hall ........................................ 589-2489
- Abandoned Vehicles ......................... 830-5080
- Animal Control ................................ 830-5010
- Animal Licensing ............................... 512-2269
- Building Inspectors ......................... 512-2261
- Building Permits ............................... 512-2261
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- Code Enforcement ............................... 512-2261
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- Finance Department ............................. 512-2269
- Housing Programs ............................... 983-7785
- Human Services .................................. 983-7756
- Information Line (automated) .................. 512-2264
- Job Line (automated) ............................ 512-2265
- Garage Sale Permits ......................... 512-2261
- Municipal Court ................................. 512-2258
- Noise Complaints .............................. 798-4721
- Parks & Recreation ............................. 983-7887
- Police Department – Main Desk ............ 830-5000
- Non-emergency only ............................ 798-4721
- Drug Tip Hotline ............................... 830-5049
- Sex Offender Info .............................. 830-5095
- Public Works Department – Main Desk ...... 983-7795
- Potholes/Street lights ....................... 267-1628
- Street signage ................................. 531-6990
- Senior Activity Center ....................... 798-4090
- Traffic Complaints ............................ 830-5072
- Traffic Infractions ............................ 512-2258
- Vehicle Licensing ............................. 588-7786
- Zoning ........................................... 512-2261

### OTHER PHONE NUMBERS

In an Emergency, call 911 for Police, Fire and Paramedics.

- Lakewood Fire District .......................... 582-4600
- Lakewood Library .................................. 582-6040
- Lakewood Refuse .................................. 588-1705
- Lakewood Water District ....................... 588-4423
- Marriage Licenses ............................... 798-7435
- PetData ........................................... 1-866-594-1283
- Pierce County Sewer ............................. 565-3440
- Qwest Communications .......................... 1-800-244-1111
- Safe Streets ..................................... 584-0404
- Tacoma Public Utilities ......................... 383-2471
- T-Mobile ......................................... 588-1014

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