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## City of Lexington

January-March 2017

I'll start off wishing everyone a very Happy and successful New Year.

Thank you for allowing me to serve you and the City of Lexington again for the next 2 years. It is an honor that I do not take lightly. I'm very proud of our city, our city staff, our city council members and what we have accomplished these past 2 years.

I would like to thank Jack Plasch and Carin Payment for their service to our community. You will both be missed. Congratulations to Diane Harris and Mike Murphy on their being elected to our city council. I look forward to working with them

2016 was successful for Lexington. We continue to have the Lovell building on the market for redevelopment. We had our first Lexington Fall Festival, which was fully funded with donations from our local businesses and the Lexington Fire Relief Association (charitable gambling), and hope to continue that well into the future. We asked for your opinion in our first citizen's survey and received a lot of valuable feedback. We also passed a new parking ordinance and continue to enforce it. While the new ordinance may not be popular for some, I feel it was needed for the betterment of our city.

We redesigned our website which now has a lot of valuable information on it. Check it out at <a href="http://www.ci.lexington.mn.us">http://www.ci.lexington.mn.us</a> Don't forget to like us on facebook as well. We are working on keeping that up to date.

**Mayor Mark Kurth** 

\*\*REMINDER !!!!

Lexington's Recycling/ Clean Up Day is Saturday April, 22nd

8:00 AM-12:00 PM

Lovell Building Parking Lot

Watch for the Recycling/Clean up newsletter in late March or early April...

# Congratulations

2nd Term Mayor Mark Kurth

Councilmember Elect
Diane Harris

Councilmember Elect Mike Murphy City Offices will be CLOSED

Monday

January 16th

Martin Luther King Day

Monday

February 20th

President's Day

# Streetlight Outages

The City of Lexington has streetlight maintenance contracts with the electric utility company that serves your neighborhood. If you notice that a streetlight is not working, please contact your electric company directly. You may be asked for a pole number.

# Lexington Small in size...

Big on Pride.

Help us keep your Account
Information up to date.

Please provide current cell phone numbers & e-mail with your next utility payment.

When your information has changed please let us know as soon as you can. We need this information to contact you in the event that your service is interrupted or to notify you of necessary maintenance on equipment. Update your information by

calling 763-784-2792 or

e-mail to cglexington@comcast.net

### Free Tax Preparation Sites:

Volunteers across the state can help you prepare your federal and state tax returns.

Free tax assistance is available if you have a lower income, are a senior citizen, have a disability or speak limited or no English.

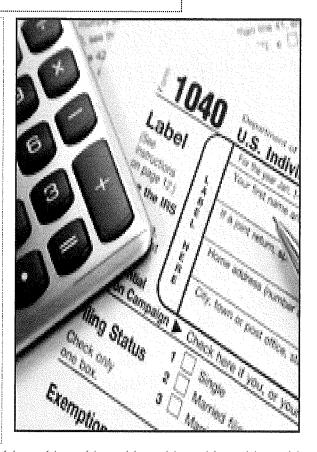
Most volunteer tax preparation sites are open only from February 1 through April 15.

Check out this link:

www.accountabilitymn.org

FREE E-FILE FOR QUALIFYING INDIVIDUALS:

The tax software at: http:// www.taxes.state.mn.us/individ/ pages/other-supporting-contentonline-filing-faq-aspx



### Thank you to the Lexington Fire Relief

Once again, many thanks must go out to the wonderful members of the **Lexington Fire Relief Association for their** donation of the prize money for the Holiday Lighting Contest. The Lexington Lighting Contest is just one of the many beneficiaries of the community based generosity of this thoughtful, considerate and courageous group of volunteers.

#### Congratulations to the 2016

Holiday Lighting Contest winners:

- 1st Place:
   9216 Syndicate
   Valenta Residence
  - 2nd Place:
     8919 Naples
     Rand Residence
  - 3rd Place:8711 Dunlap

Wesley Knox Residence

Thank you to all residents that showed the spirit by decorating their houses and yards this year, the City becomes a lot more festive for all.

### **Returning this year Girls Fastpitch Softball**

The City of Lexington will once again host the 2017

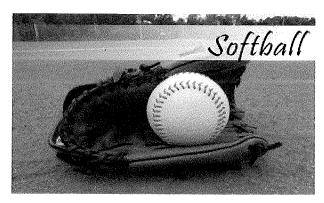
Minnesota State High School League (MSHSL)

Section 4AAA Women's Fastpitch Softball playoffs at Lexington

Memorial Park.

Memorial Park has been chosen as the tournament site location due to the amenities the park offers: the attractiveness, the

location, the concessions availability , the scoreboards, and the ability to manage the entrance to the games.



The dates for the tournament are listed as follows

- -May 23rd
- -May 24th (May 25th rain back-up date)
- —May 26th (May 27th rain back-up date)
- —May 30th (May 31st rain back-up date)
- —June 1st ( June 2nd rain back-up date)

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer to help with the tournament, please contact Troy Urdahl, Event Coordinator at 612-706-1105 or e-mail at turdahl@stanthony.k12.mn.us

Lexington Municipal Liquor Store

9271 Lake Drive

Lexington, MN 55014

Open 8:00am-10:00 pm

763-786-0198

Lake Drive & Lexington

For great deals on beer, wine, liquor, mixes and pop.

-Experience Count\$

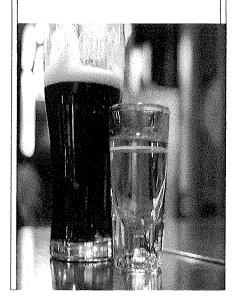
Discount— Every Monday

- -Wine Wednesday

  Specials—
- -Top Ten Specials

  Every Thursday

And one of the best selection of craft beer around—Come in and check it out



#### Recycling (Made Easier)

If you don't have a copy of the "Recycling Guide"

(a reference book to help you reduce waste, reuse resources, recycle more and dispose of materials safely)

stop by City Hall

Residents are encouraged to turn in their aluminum recycling receipts to City Hall. They can be included in the City's tonnage reports to Anoka County. Thank you to all residents that currently do this, it helps us achieve our recycling goals.

\*Do you need childcare?

\*Did you apply for or have Childcare Assistance?(CCA)

\*Did you qualify for CCA or be placed on the waiting list?

\*Are your children/ child between the ages of 6 weeks to 35 month?

Then Head Start Child Care Partnership is for you!

Contact them at 763-783-4348

#### **FIX-UP FUND**

The Fix-Up Fund is very flexible, low interest loan program funded by the state of Minnesota's Minnesota Housing Finance Agency. The Fix-up Fund's interest rate is lower than most bank loans and is very easy to qualify for. Almost any home improvement project is eligible, including furnace or air conditioning replacements, insulation, new windows or doors, or general remodeling.

#### **LOAN TERMS**

Amount: \$2,000-\$35,000 Interest Rate: 5.990% Fixed

Term: Loan repayment terms vary from 1 to 20 years,

depending on the amount financed.

Security: All loans are secured by a mortgage on the residence, which may allow you to write off the interest

on your taxes.









Batteries come in many types and some are more hazardous than others. Generally, non-rechargeable alkaline batteries are safe to throw away in your garbage, while lithium, rechargeable and "button" batteries should be recycled. It's easy -- batteries of many types are accepted for recycling at numerous retail stores in Minnesota, including Target, Wal-Mart, Radio Shack, Batteries Plus, IKEA and many different auto parts stores. Check at the service desk for specific guidelines at a store near you.

Call2Recycle maintains a comprehensive directory of rechargeable battery donation sites -- this includes batteries for cell phones, laptop computers, power tools and digital cameras. <u>Visit their website</u>: <u>www.call2recycle.org</u> to search for locations near you, or call their toll-free number: 877-2-RECYCLE (877-273-2925).

The holidays leave behind waste to dispose of. Seek out recycling options for decorations, holiday lights, and more!



http://www.rethinkrecycling.com/residents/materials-name/holiday-lights-decorations-wrapping-paper

Taking down your Christmas tree? Put your real tree to good use by finding an option so it can be composted.

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