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home.*

## Lakedale Employees in Your Community

You see them at church, when you're out to eat at a local establishment, at after-school activities, or serving pancakes at a local fund raiser. They are your Lakedale Communications' representatives.

Lakedale has many employees throughout our serving areas that are involved in civic, community, and all kinds of volunteer organizations.



2008 Business Expo

We pride ourselves in being involved within the communities that Lakedale serves, as we realize the importance of giving back to the communities in some way, shape, or form.

Some of the ways that Lakedale employees give back to the communities are by being involved in organizations and activities such as:

- Lions
- Church Council
- Knights of Columbus
- Coaching Community Ed Sports
- Cub Scouts
- Post-Grad Party
- All-Night Grad Party
- Girl Scouts
- Youth Hockey
- School Board
- Coaching Volleyball
- Township Board Member
- Early Childhood Committee
- School Activities Committee
- Community Fishing Tournaments
- Heart of the Lakes Triathlon
- Improvement Club
- Kiwanis Club
- Adult Basic Education
- Fire Department

And the list goes on.

There's an old saying that reads:

*You have not lived until you  
have done something for  
someone who can never  
repay you.*

We are involved with, and connected to, the communities we call home. We will continue to be here to build strong relationships with our customers and community leaders for many years to come.



2008 Bike Rodeo

## Stamp Out Postage Costs with Online Bill Pay

With first-class postage now at 42 cents, you might be looking for new ways to use fewer stamps. After all, if you're paying 12 bills by mail each month, you'll spend around \$60 a year on postage.



To reduce these costs, consider using our online bill payment. It's a quick, safe, and convenient way to pay your monthly bill from Lakedale. To register, go to Lakedale's Web site and click on the *pay your bill* button.

You can then choose the option that works best for you.

Two options to choose from:

- Automatic payment from savings or checking, or
- Automatic payment from a credit card.

You can view your bill online and make immediate payment to your account in just seconds without having to buy stamps or checks.

**Please call 1-800-223-9694  
with any questions.**

## Stop E-mail Hoaxes Dead in their Tracks

You receive an alarming e-mail with an *urgent warning*, but you don't know whether you should pass it on to others. How do you know whether that e-mail is accurate or just a hoax?

Fortunately, there are ways to tell whether an e-mail is true and worth passing on;

online resources can help you break the chain of misinformation.

To prevent you from inadvertently perpetuating a hoax, we have listed a few of the most-helpful Web sites for useful reference.

### Reveal the Truth

It may take some time before you're adept at recognizing hoaxes, but several Web sites are dedicated to helping you sniff them out. These sites enable you to search for a hoax, based on its name or content, and determine whether the e-mail is truthful or is a hoax.

- **Snopes.com** is a great first stop when searching for hoax information. Snopes.com lists Internet hoaxes as well as common e-mails that are actually true. ([www.snopes.com](http://www.snopes.com))
- **HoaxBusters** is affiliated with the U.S. Department of Energy and is run by the CIAC (Computer Incident Advisory Capability). A no-nonsense site, HoaxBusters is extensive but a bit harder to navigate. ([www.hoaxbusters.org](http://www.hoaxbusters.org))
- **Vmyths.com** contains solid information about older hoaxes that are still circulating the Internet. ([www.vmyths.com](http://www.vmyths.com))
- **BreakTheChain.org** is a Web site dedicated to educating e-mail users about the shortcomings of relying on forwarded e-mail messages for useful news. ([www.breakthechain.org](http://www.breakthechain.org))
- **TruthOrFiction.com** is another extensive Web site whose author personally investigates e-mail hoaxes and reports his findings in his site. ([www.truthorfiction.com](http://www.truthorfiction.com))

## 2009 Event Calendar

- March 14**  
Maple Lake St. Patrick's Day Parade
- March 21**  
Paynesville Community Expo
- April 3**  
Wright County Home & Garden Show
- April 18**  
Annandale Area Business Expo
- May 16**  
Annandale Bike Rodeo
- June 17**  
Paynesville Town & Country Days Parade
- June 27**  
Fair Haven Old Settlers' Days Parade
- June 28**  
Howard Lake Good Neighbor Days Parade
- July 4**  
Annandale July 4 Celebration Parade
- July 12**  
Waverly Days Parade
- July 25**  
South Haven Days Parade
- August 10**  
Cokato Corn Carnival Parade
- August 16**  
Montrose Days Parade
- September 5**  
Dassel Red Rooster Days Parade
- September 19**  
Montrose/Waverly Home Show

## Reminder of the Digital TV Transition

House of Representatives voted to delay digital TV conversion until June 12, 2009.

Television viewers who rely on sets that use antennas to pick up broadcast signals have about four extra months to get ready for the nation's switch to digital TV.



The House of Representatives voted to push back the February 17, 2009, deadline to June 12, 2009, a move that President Obama had supported. The vote, largely along party lines, gives approximately 6.5 million unprepared households more time to get ready for the day when all analog TV broadcasts are turned off.

**If you currently receive your TV programming via Lakedale Digital TV, you won't be required to make equipment changes.**

### More Information:

- ◆ For a more-detailed description of the above three choices, please refer to our Winter 2007 Newsletter ([www.lakedalecommunications.com/About Us/News/Newsletter - Winter 2007](http://www.lakedalecommunications.com/About%20Us/News/Newsletter%20-%20Winter%202007)) or call our Customer Service Center at 1-800-223-9694.
- ◆ For help navigating this DTV transition, visit the FCC's user-friendly Web site at [www.dtv.gov](http://www.dtv.gov).