

Mayor's Corner

What's Up in Shell Lake

Well, here we are in the first week of when Day Light Savings Time ends. Kind of hard to see that sun set so early in the evening, but we do get to see the start of each new day a little earlier! Oh well, such is life.

November is proving to be a busy month for us, with Thanksgiving, and the busyness of beginning our thoughts of Christmas, we look forward to additional time we get to spend with family and friends.

With winter just about knocking at our door, and the colder weather upon us, there is a need in the community of warm winter coats. With this thought, the Shell Lake United Methodist Church will be conducting it's second year of collecting coats. If you have coats you are no longer wearing and would like to donate, please bring your coats to the Shell Lake United Methodist Church at 135 Reinhart Drive and place them in the white "COATS box located in the drive-thru carport. Coats of all sizes are accepted with a special need for children's and teens. All coats that they receive, will be available in the church entryway for folks to take a look at starting November 5th, and run through the end of the month, or until all coats are gone. Hours will be Wednesday's from 4:00-6:00 pm, and Saturday's from 9:00am-12:00 Noon. If you don't have any coats to donate, they will gladly take any cash donations, which they will use to purchase any new or gently used coats in the sizes that are in demand. This is "first come, first serve" event, so hopefully the right coat will find the right person! What a wonderful way for the community to share items that are no longer needed in their family, but would be graciously accepted in another family. The warmth of giving will be remembered for years to come.

Shell Lake Chamber will be hosting another fun filled Wine Walk on Friday November 21st at 6pm. This is the merchant's chance to meet all of you, while you chat with the local shop owners, meet up with friends and neighbors, all while taking in the festivities as you sip and stroll your way through town. There will be plenty of time for prizes and drawings, so relax and enjoy every pour. Register today for your tickets at <https://www.visitshelllake.com/.../2025-shell-lake-wine-walk>

Have you ever thought "boy I sure wish I could draw like that?", well guess what, there will be a class called "The Joy of Painting" at Hemp & Home right here in our own downtown. It will take place on Thursday November 13th from 5-8pm. Get ready to paint, laugh and embrace those this one-of-a-kind art class. Everything will be provided for you to create your masterpiece! As well as snacks, drinks and lots of photo ops. Register through Hemp&Home's Facebook Event Page or at www.shophempandhome.com and click on Shop Online. Have fun!!

I have been attending the Northern Lights choir practices at the Quam theater. I know I had written about them last month, but I must tell you how impressed I am with this group. They will be having their first concert on Saturday December 6th at 4:30pm. Honestly, if you want to

warm your soul, plan to attend this concert, and be ready to leave with a grateful heart, and perhaps a few wonderful tunes that play over and over in your head.

The Shell Lake Art Center is moving along with its renovation. The grounds are being ready for the new build, as they level and clear away the debris of the old. Stop by and see the new beginnings, take a peek at the rendering diagram of what is new to come. Shell Lake has been waiting for this for a long time!!

Dates to remember in November:

5th Free Coats at Shell Lake Methodist Church starts 4:00-6:00pm

10th City Council meeting at City Hall 7:00pm

11th Veterans Day (City Hall closed)

13th The Joy of Painting Class at Hemp&Home

21st Shell Lake Wine Walk

27th Thanksgiving (City Hall closed the 27th and 28th)

Early peak in December:

6th Northern Lights Choir at Quam theater at 4:30

6th Holiday Saturday in Shell Lake

With all of the busy activities in November, as we prepare for the holiday season, let us not forget Tuesday November 11th, Veterans Day. It is a day when we honor the brave men and women who have served our country with honor, courage, and sacrifice. Their selflessness, dedication and patriotism inspire us all. Take a moment to remember and thank those who have served, and their families who have supported them. We express our deepest gratitude for their service protecting our freedom and defending our values. Freedom isn't free, but thanks to our veterans, it is worth a lot. A heart felt "Thank You" veterans, for your services, your sacrifice, and your example. We Salute YOU!

Peace to all, and warmest wishes on Thanksgiving Day! May your Thanksgiving be filled with love, laughter, and all of your favorite traditions. May the warmth of family and friends surround you, your table filled with food, and conversations be filled with joy!