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**August  
2022**

*A Monthly Insight into Lee Square Cooperative*

# Lee Square

Newsletter also available online:

**Leesquare55.com**

Articles for future Newsletters can be submitted to Bill Rainey:

**Drop off at Unit 140**

**OR**

**Email Bill Rainey:**

**mrnod@gmail.com**

Articles for September issue due  
**AUGUST 24<sup>th</sup>**

Please direct any future inquiries to Bill Rainey.

## National Night Out

**Tuesday Aug 2  
5:00 pm**

**Hamburgers  
Watermelon  
Potato Salad  
Ice Cream**

**Sign-up in the lobby**

We have been having a busy and eventful summer so far. The siding project has been almost completely finished, and after having a third party inspection last week, the contractor is going through a punch list of items that will be taken care of. Thank you for your cooperation during the construction process. The internet installation is happening right now, it seems to be going well, and thankfully we found out that the system is capable of handling both internet and satellite experts Dish/Direct TV. I believe that this system will be far superior to our current system. In the coming weeks we will have the garage cleaned and the parking lot will have work done. Keep an eye out for notices with detailed information that will be handed out this week.

Jeanne will be retiring August 12th, after spending 14 years here at Lee Square. Although we are happy that Jeanne will be able to enjoy her retirement, she will be greatly missed in the office and at the building. Congratulations Jeanne!

Janet will continue to be in part time and I have been interviewing qualified candidates and we should have a new full time administrative assistant this month.

Some housekeeping to mention; please let the office know when you need to dispose of large items like furniture or appliances. The garbage company will not take large items sticking out of the bin, and some items like appliances cannot be thrown in the regular trash. Thank you!

-Jed Bodine

## ODDS & ENDS

- Please **RETURN** shopping carts ASAP to the designated area so others may use them!
- Please leave your phone **ON** if you are expecting a delivery! You should let in the delivery person when they 'buzz' you. This is **NOT** a duty of staff!
- Make sure your apartment number is on anything you order to be delivered! UPS does **NOT** have to deliver if there is no apartment number!!
- Please **STOP** when leaving the garage to give the door time to close!!

## ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT COMMITTEE

**Donna Herman, Chair**

Work continues with office staff on policy updates.

Next New Member Orientation will be held in August. A Quick Reference Guide will be included at purchase with closing packet.

Committee Fair will be held in September. Watch for details!

## ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

**meets 1:00 pm second Tuesday in library - Sue Elliott chair**

Has it been hot enough for you? Heat and wind has been at a premium, that's for sure.

The 4th of July picnic was a huge success. We had 70 people sign up.

Doug Herman, Dean Skoglund, Carman Berrios and Linda Germar did the meal. Everything was delicious, and everyone had a great time.

The 14th the Robbinsdale City Band performed. As usual, their concert was great!

We served sundaes and toppings, ice cream cones and mini cupcakes. It was a perfect evening and very enjoyable.

Remember, National Night Out is August 2nd. See the sign-up sheet in the lobby.

## DONATIONS

**Northpoint Food Shelf** - Please keep the donations coming! They can be placed in the large wicker basket in the library. Deliveries are made to the food shelf every 10-14 days. Because 60-70% of food shelf patrons WALK to and from the site, re-usable cloth or plastic tote bags are much appreciated. You may put these in the food basket in the library. Thank you!

The following items, though not food, are often requested by users of the food shelf:

Formula and baby food

Diapers

Household cleaning supplies

Toothpaste, toothbrushes, floss

Feminine hygiene products

Razors

Shower/shave gels

Deodorant and lotions

Soap and shampoo

**Clare Terrace** – personal hygiene items are appreciated by our neighbors. Place in the wicker basket in the library.

**Lucy Laney Elementary School** will be 'open for business' soon. School supplies are needed. Watch for flyers and shopping lists in a few days.

Thank you for your contributions!! **Any questions, please contact Marsha, #321, 612 790-1246**

# **BUILDING, GROUNDS & SAFETY COMMITTEE**

**meets 1st WED at 2:30 in library - David Wawracz, Dean Skoglund Co-Chairs**

The SIDING PROJECT has been completed and all materials removed. There may be some workers around doing some last minute fine-tuning. An independent inspection will be scheduled to make sure the work is all done properly.

Lawn damage as a result of materials left on the grass will be scheduled for early September by our lawn service, who we all know does excellent work.

[ A note on battery recycling:

**Alkaline batteries need to be put in plastic Ziploc bags and placed in the trash.**

PLEASE do not put alkaline batteries in the collection buckets!! There are still too many of them in the recycling.

Continue to recycle lithium, hearing aid, rechargeable, and phone batteries. ]

Work on the parking lot was scheduled for August 1 & 4, but we have received word that it will be changed, so please watch for details We will let you know as soon as we know.

I have returned as Chair of the committee after a few months off. Dean Skoglund and I will share duties as Co-Chairs. We continue looking for a Secretary and new committee members.

# **GARDEN CLUB**

**meets 1st Monday at 6:30 in the library - Harry Hoks, Chair**

The hot and humid Summer days are slowly turning to cooler mornings and evenings with less minutes of sunlight. Enjoy the changes in the gardens as the daylilies, Phlox and other annual flowers are blooming. Thank you so much to those volunteers who are out there watering and dead heading flowers. Even though we have had some rain, it isn't near enough for keeping the grounds beautiful. The grounds are still hard and dry.

Check out Dale's new patio wall thank to Dean Z and crew. It was quite a job during all the heat and humidity. It really looks nice. Still some work to finish but is coming along fine.

New Crab trees to replace trees taken down will arrive around August 18. If you can help plant them, please let me know. They are nice sized trees. Stay cool.

Harry Hoks, Chair  
Hldhoks1@gmail.com  
612-964-5690

## **LEE SQUARE COMMITTEE MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS!**

Attend any meeting to learn about the many opportunities to get involved!

- Check the calendar for meeting dates and times.
- Minutes from committee and board of director meetings can be found on a door in the back of the library.

All members are welcome at any committee meetings!

**A BIG thank you to Dean Zimmerman for his work constructing the retaining wall in the front of the building with help from other members!**

# MARKETING COMMITTEE

meets 2nd WED at 2pm in the library, Wendy Fries, chair

Just a short article this month for our Marketing Committee. We are working diligently on 3 projects. Now that the siding is done, we will be having another Open House, we are making plans for the Robbinsdale Meet and Greet next month and our annual Fall festival.

We are happy to report that we only have one unit up for sale, and there is someone looking at it who hopefully will buy it.

If you would like to visit, become a member of Marketing, or have questions/suggestions, please come visit our meetings. We meet every 2nd Wednesday at 2:00 PM. You may also email one of the committee members.

Thanks for keeping Lee Square in your conversations (good only please).

Linda Hoks,

Marketing Committee

Hldhoks1@gmail.com

**#138** A large one bedroom on the first floor with a walkout patio. The buyer gets their choice of standard flooring at no cost to them. Unit #138 is listed for \$50,000.00 for sale by owner. Reservation waitlist members have been contacted

**#242** A large one bedroom corner unit on the second floor looking out over the cul-de-sac with a spacious closet that can be used for things other than just storage. Unit #242 is listed for \$50,000.00 for sale by owner. Reservation waitlist member are currently being contacted

*For more information, please contact Jed in the office or the realtor listed.*

## The Lee Square Facebook page

38 members (so far)

... this group is for those who live or work at Lee Square Cooperative. Its purpose is to help support and enhance our community. Go to Facebook and search for

## Folks at Lee Square Co-op

- Promote Lee Square activities
- Get to know your neighbors
- See and share pictures and birthday greetings

\*\*\* Our page is **Private** \*\*\*

Only members can see who's in the group and what they post

To comply with privacy rules:

Please sign a form to authorize use of your picture on

- Lee Square Facebook
- Website
- Newsletter

See Patti Knez or Donna Herman for the form.

Forms will also be available at Lee Square events



Posted by Rosemary Stafford

Our vegetable gardens three weeks later. Free herbs packed every Sunday and placed on the kitchen counter. Everyone is getting good results, make sure you harvest what you planted. The free counter is always open for fresh garden vegetables. Thankyou!



## ! UPCOMING ROAD CLOSURE NOTICE !

County Road 9 will be closed at Regent Ave. beginning Monday, July 18th, 2022. This closure will last two weeks to install new city underground utilities.

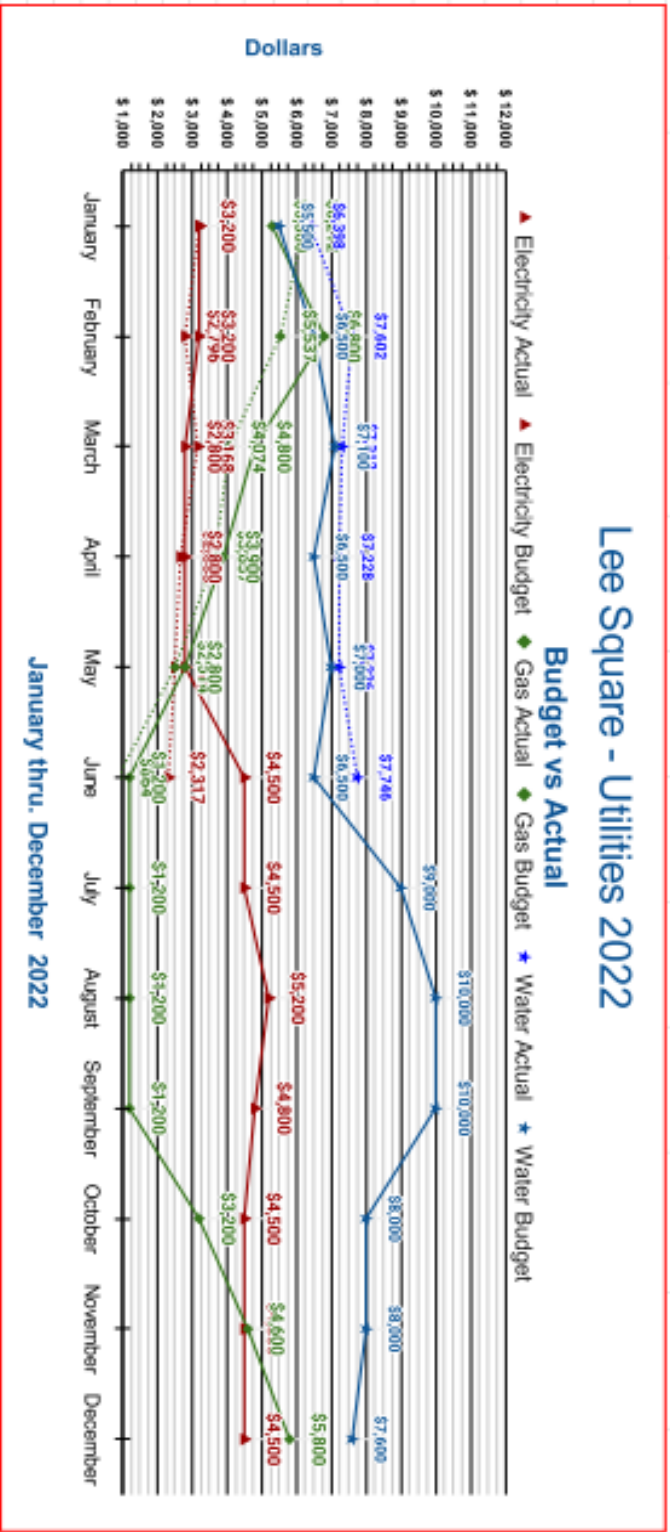
Plan your commute ahead by viewing the map below for detour routes.



Year to Date - Utilities		
Budget	Actual	Variance
\$ 97,018	\$ 92,629	\$ 4,389

## Treasurer's Report - June 2022

### Lee Square - Utilities 2022



January thru. December 2022

YTD Summary six months - January - June 2022

YTD we're under budget in every category:

Housekeeping/Laundry	\$ 291
Maintenance	\$ 5,977
Marketing	\$ 4,976
Administration	\$ 3,124
Taxes and Insurance	\$ 3,040
Utilities	\$ 4,389
Emp. Sal./Taxes/Benes.	\$ 1,031
<b>Total Under Budget YTD</b>	<b>\$ 22,828</b>

Note: The solid lines are the budget amounts, the dotted lines shows the actual.

The graph above shows the three main utility categories.

There are five categories in utilities and we're under budget in all except WATER. We've been over budget in water all 6 months of this year. Not a big concern. Most likely a budget miscalculation. In all utilities we're under budget by \$4,389. However, 2022 Total utilities are 16% greater than they were at this time in 2021. To the left here indicates that we're under budget in all of our 7 expense categories for a total of \$22,828. And with revenues exceeding budget by \$3,465 we have a positive YTD amount of \$26,829

Gerry O. Lundell - Treasurer

YTD Variance	Under (Over)
<b>Electricity</b>	\$ 2,639
<b>Gas</b>	\$ 1,941
<b>Water</b>	\$ (4,412)
Total Variance	\$ 168
Under budget in:	
Telephone	\$ 320
Internet	\$ 3,901
Total Under Budget	\$ 4,389

Note to me: GERRY  
Advanced option in  
apply  
print as image

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- 3 Julie Christophersen
- 3 Carmen Berrios
- 4 Susan Elliott
- 4 Bill Cornwell
- 6 Kath Ann Wawracz
- 7 Doug Herman
- 9 Liane Edstrom
- 13 Bill Leto
- 15 Ruth Vincent
- 19 Randall, Holly
- 20 Abdu Sukere
- 22 Alyce Lundell
- 23 Lilli Jensen
- 24 Beth Ampe
- 25 Dorothy Krussow
- 25 Beth Waldmyer
- 27 Susan Smith
- 27 Mary Rye
- 28 Linnea Johnson-Hoff
- 30 Romeo Atienza

## LEE SQUARE DIRECTORY

Updated directory is available in the library.

Thanks to everyone who contributed to their pages. Pictures will be added, and if there is a mistake, let me know, and I will fix it.

Dean S., #136

## Lee Square Cooperative

4400 36<sup>th</sup> Ave N  
Robbinsdale, MN. 55422  
763-522-5095

## FOOD RESOURCES

Home Delivered Meals:

MEALS ON WHEELS  
612-623-3363

MOM'S MEALS  
1-877-508-6667

OPTAGE CREATIVE SENIOR DINING  
651-746-8280

OPEN ARMS OF MINNESOTA  
612-767-7333

SCHWANS  
1-888-724-9267  
Stops at Lee Square every other  
Monday from 1:00 to 2:00 pm

## GROCERY DELIVERY

HYVEE, 1-800-772-4098

CUB.com

AMAZON.COM

HELP AT YOUR DOOR  
651-642-1892

INSTACART 1-888-246-7822

## TRANSPORTATION

Helpatyourdoor.org

Help at your Door 651-642-1892

## LS SERVICES

LEE SQUARE SALON  
*Style it up with Shelley!*  
Thursdays - 8 am to ??  
Call for appointment...  
763 593-0349

MASSAGE THERAPY  
*Be Well Therapies -*  
Francine Wilson, LCMT  
Call for appointment...  
612 805-0811

FILTERED DRINKING WATER  
- in the party room  
- behind the serving  
line (cold water only)

ICE MACHINE  
behind the serving line

Exercise Class  
11 a.m.  
Mon, Wed, Fri

Thank you Donna Herman  
For doing the Newsletter so  
long and so well.

Good luck in your future  
endeavors.

**In case of Emergency**



**Police/Fire: 911**

Lee Square Cooperative  
Emergency After Hours:

**1-(888)-655-4450**

Monday-Friday (11pm-7am) Saturday & Sunday (5pm-7am)

[www.lesquare55.com](http://www.lesquare55.com)

FACEBOOK @OFFICIALLEESQUARE



# August 2022



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 11:00 Exercise	2 National Night Out	3 11:00 Exercise	4 BEAUTY/ BARBER SHOP 9:30 Coffee Corner 1:00 Crafts/Conversation/ Social Hr. 2:30 BG&S Mtg.	5 11:00 Exercise	6
7 7:00 Dominos & Cards	8 11:00 Exercise 1-2 SCHWAN'S 6:30 Garden Club	9 1:00 Activities Mtg	10 11:00 Exercise 2:00 Mtg. Mg. 6:30 500 Cards	11 BEAUTY/ BARBER SHOP 9:30 Coffee Corner 1:00 Crafts/Conversation/ Social Hr.	12 11:00 Exercise No Wine & Dine Until September	13
14 7:00 Dominos & Cards	15 11:00 Exercise	16 No Card Bingo during Summer	17 11:00 Exercise	18 BEAUTY/ BARBER SHOP 9:30 Coffee Corner 1:00 Crafts/Conversation/ Social Hr.	19 11:00 Exercise	20
21 7:00 Dominos & Cards	22 11:00 Exercise 1-2 SCHWAN'S	23 7:00 Quiddler	24 11:00 Exercise 2:30 Finance Mtg. 6:30 500 Cards	25 BEAUTY/ BARBER SHOP 9:30 Coffee Corner 1:00 Crafts/Conversation/ Social Hr.	26 11:00 Exercise	27
28 7:00 Dominos & Cards	29 11:00 Exercise	30 6:00 PM B.O.D. Mtg.	31 11:00 Exercise			