

Laketon Township

Spring 2017

Tidbits:

- you are planning home renovations, repairs, additions, sheds, accessory buildings, fences etc—make sure to get the required permits before starting your project—call if you have questions 231-744-2454.
- Cemetery Info—for prices and rules: go to www.laketon.org click on the "Departments" tab at the top of the page and choose "Cemetery Information" from the drop down list or call 231-744-2454
- Sewer Usage Rate— Reminder to sewer customers—a sewer rate increase will be seen on your April 1, 2017 bill. Call if you have any questions.
- Mullally Park—
 Pavilion Rentals:
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There have been some changes to the rental policy and rates—the Mullally pavilion will be \$75.00 per session and the Lange/NS Lions pavilion will be \$50.00 per session. See article on reverse for more information.

 THANK YOU—A big thank you to residents that live along the bike paths and near fire hydrants for keeping them free from ice and snow—your efforts are appreciated..

Upcoming FREE Recycling/Disposal Events

FREE Clean up Day-

Laketon Township is pleased to be able to offer to residents a FREE Clean Up Day. This will be the 5th year of the FREE Clean Up Day—and it is made possible by the Muskegon County Commissioners waiving tipping fees at the Muskegon County Wastewater Landfill facility. The remaining cost to haul the dumpsters to the landfill is paid for by Laketon Township—your tax dollars at work for YOU!

The event for 2017 will take place at Laketon Township Hall on Saturday May 13, 2017 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm.

This event is open to Laketon Township Residents
ONLY and is for the disposal of household trash, junk, debris etc. There are restrictions on certain materials—NO yard waste (the yard waste site will be open that day), NO hazardous

waste (see flyer for complete list), NO appliances/nothing containing mercury or Freon, NO used motor oil, NO propane tanks and NO tires.

Scrap metals are accepted and need to be kept separate from general junk/trash because the scrap metals are sent to a recycling facility rather than to the landfill. All money gained from recycling the metal off-sets the cost of hauling the other dumpsters to the landfill.

FREE Scrap Tire Collection Events—

Muskegon County is hosting five (5) scrap tire collection events at 5 different locations around the county. Scrap tires (up to 34 inches in diameter) are FREE to dispose of at these events and these events are open to ALL MUSKEGON COUNTY RESIDENTS! All events will be held on the following Saturdays from

9:00 am to 1:00 pm as follows:

4/22/17 at The City of Muskegon DPW facility

5/13/17 at Fruitport Township Hall

6/3/17 at Laketon Township's Mullally Park

6/10/17 at Whitehall High School

07/22/2017 at Cedar Creek Township Hall.

A detailed flyer is available online or in the Laketon Township Hall.

FREE Muskegon County Spring Recy-

cling Event: Saturday
April 22, 2017 from 9:00 am
to 1:00 pm at1350 E.
Keating Ave. This event will
be accepting: Scrap tires,
electronics, hazardous waste
and shredding paper (up to
100 pounds). Call 231-7246001 for more information.

March Board of Review—How to make an appeal

If you do not agree with the proposed 2017 values, property classification or any transfer of ownership for your property you may appeal to the Board of Review.

Appeals are made by making an appointment with the Board of Review and completing the petition form L-4035 which is available at your appointment or online at https://www.michigan.gov/

documents/I4035f_2658_7.pdf.

The Board of Review will meet on Monday 3/13/2017 from 3 PM to 9 PM and on Tuesday 3/14/2017 from 9 AM to 3 PM Call 231-744-2454 to make an appointment. If you are unable to appear in person, you may appeal by mail. Complete the L-4035 form and mail it to Laketon Township with your letter and any facts to support your appeal.

The form/letter MUST be received by Laketon Township BEFORE the close of the March Board of Review at 3:00 PM on 3/14/2017.

If you have any questions about your assessment notice or making an appeal/appointment, please call Laketon Township for assistance M—F 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM. The Assessor is in the office Monday—Wednesday only.

Laketon Township Parks—Pavilion Rental Policy

Starting in 2017, there are a couple of changes to the pavilion rental policy: Rentals will be granted in morning or afternoon sessions (you can choose to rent the pavilion for both sessions), the morning session will be 9:00 am to 3:00 pm and the afternoon session will be 3:30 pm to Dusk. The park closes at dusk and all visitors/vehicles must vacate the park at that time (with the exception of the disc golf area that has it's own parking area outside of the park gates).

Prices per session will be as follows:

<u>Mullally Pavilion will be \$75.00</u> - it holds up to 18 picnic tables and offers a brand new playground, electricity is available, and restrooms are available w/key deposit of \$25.00.

<u>Lange (NS Lions)</u> Pavilion will be \$50.00—it holds up to 24 picnic tables but does not offer electricity, there is a playground nearby and restrooms are available w/key deposit of \$25.00

Notes: The key deposit will be refunded when the key is returned. There are always port-a-potties available in the park if you do not want the restrooms.

Rental dates are granted on a first come, first serve basis and are not considered a guaranteed rental until the rental fees have been paid. Also, please understand that the park is an outdoor venue—there are no refunds due to poor weather conditions on the day of your reservation. To read the complete rental policy or download a rental form, visit our website: http://www.laketon.org/departments/parks-rec

From the Assessor Wanda Budnik

Thank you to all the residents and property owners that I visited last season to verify assessing/property record information. Your responses and cooperation were very much appreciated.

For 2017, I will again be out measuring and verifying property records in the Laketon Township community. I will be starting in the area of Fenner Rd/Horton Rd. Specifically the north side of Fenner Rd from Bear Lake Rd to Horton Rd and the neighborhoods on the west side of

Horton Rd between Fenner Rd and W. Giles Rd.

If you ever have any questions or concerns about your property that I can help you with, please feel free to call Laketon Township Hall. I work on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Please call in advance as I am often out in the community doing assessing field work.

You can also email me at wbudnik@laketon.org



YARD WASTE SITE—2017 Season

This site is for Laketon Township Resident Use ONLY! You must purchase a \$15.00 yard waste card to use the site. The card can be purchased at the Township Hall or at the Yard Waste Site and you must show ID—You must show the card to the Yard Waste Attendant each time you use the site. The seasonal operating hours for 2017 will be as follows:

Spring/Summer: 4/04/2017—10/7/2017 Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays from 10 AM to 7 PM.

Fall: 10/8/2017—11/26/2017 Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays from 10 AM to 7 PM & Sundays from 1 PM to 5 PM.

*Weather permitting—severe weather may cause dates/times to change &/or the site to be closed. For off season use (December—March) please call Laketon Township Hall at 231-744-2454.

[&]quot;The beautiful spring came; and when Nature resumes her loveliness, the human soul is apt to revive also."

[~] Harriet Ann Jacobs, African-American Abolitionist Speaker/Reformer, Writer and freed slave. B. 1813-D1897