



Newsletter

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Township Calendar

Board of Trustees.....	Apr 4 – 7:00 p.m.
Planning Commission.....	Apr 11 – 7:00 p.m.
DDA.....	Apr 12 – 7:00 p.m.
Parks and Rec Board.....	Apr 21 – 7:00 p.m.
Planning Commission.....	Apr 25 – 7:00 p.m.
Board of Trustees.....	May 2 – 7:00 p.m.
Planning Commission.....	May 9 – 7:00 p.m.
DDA.....	May 10 – 7:00 p.m.
ZBA.....	May 16 – 7:00 p.m.
Parks and Rec Board.....	May 19 – 7:00 p.m.
Planning Commission.....	May 23 – 7:00 p.m.
Memorial Day.....	May 30 – Twp Closed

All meetings are held at:

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New Hudson, MI 48165**

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Message for Water Customers

The 2016 lawn watering season is fast approaching. We need your help to ensure our water iron removal system can meet the peak demands caused by lawn watering this season. Although water containing iron is perfectly safe for drinking, it causes aesthetic problems such as staining and discoloration.

The Lyon Township Board of Trustees is planning a multi-million dollar water system expansion and improvement project to take place over the next several years. However, based on peak demands during the summer last year, we know that if everyone waters at the same time, our additional wells will turn on to meet the demand and then introduce water containing iron into the system. To help you prevent water staining and discoloration, please help us by doing the following:

Adjust your sprinkler timers to water at times other than 5:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. (mornings) and at times other than 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. (evenings).

By following this recommendation, the peak demand will be reduced, and our current system will be able to meet your lawn watering needs with water that has the iron removed.

If assistance is needed to adjust your sprinkler settings, please contact the Lyon Township Municipal Center, and we will assist you.



Spring 2016 Water System Flushing



The Oakland County Water Resources Commissioner's Operations and Maintenance Division completes water flushing each spring and fall for untreated and annually for treated well water supply systems that they operate and maintain. Flushing consists of opening fire hydrants at the ends of roads and courts. This allows a high volume of water to scour the water mains and remove settled iron particles from the system. System evaluation is completed during the flushing procedure.

Note: Large systems can take more than one night to flush. Discoloration can occur on any of the dates the system is flushed.

What Can the Water Customer Do?

- 💧 By-pass water softener prior to the start of flushing.
- 💧 Try to refrain from using water during the flushing, as you will introduce particles into your piping.
- 💧 After flushing is complete, open an outside faucet closest to the point of entry of your home to help clear any discolored water you may have.
- 💧 Put the water softener back on-line and manually start the regeneration cycle.
- 💧 Drain and refill your hot water tank, if necessary. It is recommended that you flush out your hot water tank annually. Use caution with the hot water!
- 💧 It is recommended that you clean your faucet aerators twice annually. Aerators are the screens that screw into the end of the faucet.

More information can be found at http://www.oakgov.com/water/Pages/public_meetings_reports/water_flushing.aspx. Flushing is done each day from 7:00 p.m. until 7:00 a.m. Lyon Township's schedule is as follows:

Monday April 18 th	Tuesday April 19 th
<ul style="list-style-type: none">💧 Copperwood💧 Kirkway Estates💧 Lyon Ridge💧 South Lyon East High School💧 Tanglewood💧 Walnut Creek💧 Woodwind	<ul style="list-style-type: none">💧 Carriage Club💧 Crystal Creek💧 Heights of Elkow💧 Hornbrook Estates💧 Pinehurst💧 Stoneleigh💧 Ten Mile & Griswold
Wednesday April 20 th	Thursday April 21 st
<ul style="list-style-type: none">💧 Martindale💧 Milford Road (Grand River to Mill River)💧 Mill River💧 New Hudson💧 Orchards of Lyon💧 Pendleton Park💧 Pontiac Trail💧 Saddle Creek💧 Twin Pines	<ul style="list-style-type: none">💧 Blue Cross/Blue Shield💧 Cummins💧 Haas Road💧 Grand River Avenue💧 Lyon Industrial Research Center💧 Lyon Oaks💧 New Hudson💧 Quadrants Industrial Research Center💧 Trident💧 U.S. Foods

2016 Lyon Township Kite Festival



The Lyon Township Kite Festival is back again this year, looking to thrill and excite people of all ages in a beautiful outdoor setting. The festival will take place on Saturday, June 4th and Sunday, June 5th at James F. Atchison Memorial Park, located at 58000 Grand River Avenue in New Hudson. Come join us and witness professional acrobatic kite flying teams with colorful kites and maneuvers that will astound you. See kites of all shapes and sizes and some that are designed to race and compete while other kites, in various sizes, themes, and shapes, are just fun to see flying high in the sky. There will also be free kites for kids to decorate and fly as well as many, many other fun activities. Enjoy live entertainment and tasty festival foods in a great open space where you can spend time with your family and friends.

We are pleased to have many returning sponsors this year who continue to support this family-friendly event. We offer additional sponsorship opportunities for businesses that want to get involved.



If you are interested in volunteering and/or you know a teen who is in need of volunteer or community service hours, this is a great event! To view and sign up for volunteer opportunities, please visit this link: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0a4ea4ad2cabf94-lyon1>.

We invite you to stop by one of the planning meetings. To learn more, please visit <http://www.LyonEvents.org>.

185 Year Old Building Gets Upgrade



Located at 56870 Grand River Avenue in New Hudson since 1831, the New Hudson Inn is in the process of a major remodel and restoration project that should help to keep this building around for another 100 years.

The owner of the well-known restaurant and bar, Chris Stone, decided the time was right to make some improvements to the kitchen and bathrooms, roof shingles, siding, and windows, as well as uncover more of the building's historic features that make it truly unique to the Lyon Township Community.

The Lyon Township Downtown Development Authority (DDA) has been working closely with Stone in an effort to ensure available grant monies as well as conduct research on the history of the building with the help of Oakland County. The New Hudson Inn was featured in the book *Images of America: Lyon Township*, published last year. The inn was stop No. VII along the stagecoach route from Detroit to Lansing and may also have been a location in the Underground Railroad.

The business will be temporarily closed while the renovations take place and plans to re-open sometime in May with a Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting ceremony. You can track the progress through photos posted on their Facebook page.

Lyon Township Public Library Events

News and Events

-  **Accessories Bazaar – April 30th and May 1st**
Through Friday, April 29th, we will be accepting donations of gently used costume jewelry, purses, and fashion scarves. Please drop off your donations during library hours. Be sure to then shop our Accessories Bazaar on April 30th and May 1st at the library.



Adults

-  **Tai Chi – Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m.**
Please bring your own mat.
-  **Online Safety – Saturday, April 2nd at 1:00 p.m.**
Presented by State of Michigan Consumer Education.
-  **Nourishing Bone Broth – Monday, April 11th at 6:30 p.m.**
Discover the benefits of homemade bone broth versus the commercially processed products.
-  **Spring Cleaning with Essential Oils – Tuesday, April 12th at 6:30 p.m.**
Are you looking for a fun, healthy, and effective alternative to everyday cleaning products? Join us as we learn how to use essential oils to make safe, non-toxic products. We'll also learn how to safely get rid of those pesky spring and summer insects.
-  **Butterfly Gardening – Saturday, April 23rd at 1:00 p.m.**
Learn everything there is to know on how to create a butterfly garden. Then stick around to make "seed bombs" using native seeds that appeal to butterflies and bees.



Teens

-  **Tile Craft – Saturday, April 16th at 1:30 p.m.**
We will supply everything but feel free to bring photos or images to make some awesome coasters!

Kids

-  **Storytime – Wednesdays and Thursdays from 10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.**
All are welcome, even babies. No registration necessary.
-  **Build Your Own Fairy House – Sunday, April 17th from 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.**
Join us as we make our own fair houses. We will supply the materials but please RSVP.



Genealogy

-  **How to Locate Missing Persons – Tuesday, April 19th from 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.**
Presented by Jim Jackson. Learn how to search for someone from your past (living or dead) who disappeared without a trace.

<http://www.lyon.lib.mi.us>

The website offers more information on these programs and additional upcoming programs.

An Open Letter to Support Festivals



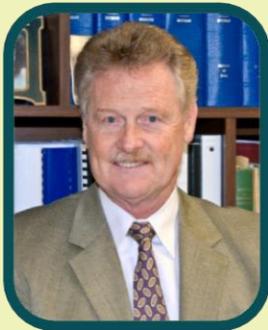
Friends and Neighbors,

Jane and I, along with Linda Noble, have been involved with the Lyon Township Kite Festival and Lyon Township Summerfest for several years. We have found the experience of volunteering our time and our photography to be rewarding and fun! These events are family affairs with something for everyone. They bring awareness of our community as well as provide a substantial contribution to charity. Each year, attendance has greatly grown. Last year, the two day Kite Festival drew more than 7,000 attendees from near and far. As you can imagine, an undertaking such as this requires many people to assist with the various activities.



This year, the Kite Festival will be held the first weekend in June. Summerfest will be in the middle of July. LEO (Lyon Events Organization) needs volunteers to help make these events fun and successful! We are asking members of our community to become part of the volunteer experience. It requires on a small commitment of time and effort with the certainty of meeting like-minded folks. Also, it is fun! For more information, please visit LEO's website at <http://www.LyonEvents.org>. Thank you! -*Jack Purslow*

Lyon Township Board of Trustees



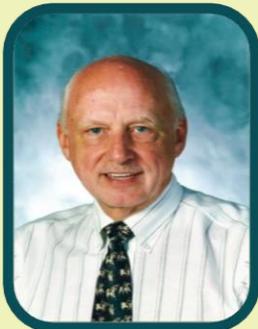
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