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2023 ROAD ROJECTS

Every year the Clinton County Road Commission (CCRC) ranks the quality of roads in the County. While the County and the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) are responsible for funding "primary" and "MDOT" roads, the Township funds much of the maintenance for local roads (excluding winter maintenance).

Primary roads are major connectors between multiple jurisdictions such as Airport, Herbison, Webb, Clark, State, Turner, etc. MDOT roads are Old US-27, I-69 and US-127. All other roads are considered local roads.

CCRC and DeWitt Township have begun planning for transportation projects to be completed in 2023. Below is a tentative list:

Local Road Projects

Oakland Hills Estates No. 1 between Webb Road and Dill Road
Road Resurfacing
Brown Road from State Road to Stoll Road
Chip Seal
Webb Road from City of DeWitt limits to BR-27
Pathway Installation

Primary Road Projects

Clark Road from DeWitt Road to Myers Road
Chip Seal
DeWitt Road from Clark Road to Herbison Road
Chip Seal
DeWitt Road from Sheridan Road to Stoll Road
Chip Seal
Pratt Road from Francis Road to DeWitt Road
Road Resurfacing

MDOT Area Projects

US-127/I-496 I-96 to I-496 - Road Reconstruction
I-496 the I-496 Westbound Ramp over CSX - Bridge Replacement
I-496 Eastbound I-496 West of Coolidge Road - Guardrail Installation



Tornado Siren Testing: Clinton County Central Dispatch will test the sirens at **noon** on the first Saturday of each month, April through October. The tornado siren test consists of a 1-minute solid tone. For more information about being safe before, during, and after a tornado, go to www.ready.gov/tornadoes.

GRANGER MEADOWS PARK ENHANCEMENTS UPDATE



The redesign and redevelopment of our inline hockey facility into pickleball courts continues. The bid award for the project was issued in July of 2022 with project completion estimated for Fall of 2023. We are well on our way to project completion. The site topography changes and the bulk of concrete work took place at the end of the 2022 construction season. We anticipate starting construction again as soon as the weather allows.



CONCEPT PLAN: GRANGER MEADOWS PARK PICKLEBALL COURTS Dewitt Township, MI 12/16/2021



VACATION REMINDERS FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Spring Break is coming up and the Police Department would like to provide you with a few safety suggestions should you decide to travel away from home. Consider the following safety tips:

- Don't advertise your plans on social media.
 - The criminal element has become tech savvy in how they choose their intended targets; they monitor social media. Setting your profile to "private" does not mean that people can't get into your personal social media platform. If you are going to post your vacation pictures, do it after you get home. Additionally, many people do have an alarm system and cameras, but nothing is ever 100%. Don't give criminals an advantage by advertising that you are not home.
- Have timers in the house that turn interior lights on at different times during the day. Using the same time each day creates a pattern which criminals look for.
- Make your residence look "lived in" by:
 - Having someone stay at the residence while you are gone.
 - Ask a neighbor to park a car in your driveway at night to make it appear as if someone is home.
 - Arrange to have someone shovel snow; it is Michigan after all.
 - Have the post office stop your mail or have a neighbor pick it up. This also holds true for any deliveries that you may be expecting.
- Let the Police Department know that you will be gone.
 - Fill out and submit a property check form. The form can be found on the Township's website. Type "property checks" in the search window. We will give your property special attention during the period you are gone.

AARP FOUNDATION TAX-AIDE PROGRAM APPOINTMENTS STILL AVAILABLE

Appointments for March and the first part of April for the Tax-Aide program are still available. If you need to have your taxes prepared, contact the Clerk's Office at 517-668-0270 to schedule your required appointment. The Tax-Aide program is available to anyone, with a special focus on taxpayers who are over 50 or have low to moderate income.

DEWITT TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS CLEAN SWEEP April 28 - May 9, 2023

The popular Clean Sweep program kicks off this April. The program provides DeWitt Township residents an opportunity to discard household refuse items for free from April 28th through May 9th at Granger Waste Services. A voucher is required. Only one voucher will be issued per residential household. The voucher can be obtained, in person, from the Township Clerk's Office beginning March 1st. Proof of residency is required. The vouchers can be used Monday through Friday anytime during Granger Waste Services' normal business hours. There are limited appointment times for Saturday, April 29th, and Saturday, May 6th. Any questions about the Clean Sweep program can be directed to the Clerk's Office at 517-668-0270.

CEMETERY INFORMATION

Foundations

All foundations for headstones are required to be installed by Township staff. These installations are done twice each year, once in the spring and once in the fall. The deadline for ordering foundation placement for this spring's installation is April 30th. The foundations will be installed in May. Arrangements for a foundation are made through the Clerk's Office, either by the owner of burial rights or by a monument company.

Removal of Winter Ornamentation in the Cemeteries

No winter ground ornamentation is allowed between March 15th and November 1st so this is the time to remove your grave blankets, wreaths, etc. If we remove the ornamentation, it is disposed of and cannot be returned.

Prohibited Items

Woodchips or decorative stone; edging; shepherd's hooks; fences and unapproved benches; plants or shrubs with thorns; glass; and plastic or clay containers are all prohibited in the Township cemeteries. The Township reserves the right to remove and dispose of (without notice) any unsightly, deteriorated, neglected or prohibited item(s). Cemetery Rules and Regulations are available on the Township's website. It is recommended that you review the rules before planting in the cemetery.

Contact the Clerk's Office at 517-668-0270 if you have any cemetery questions.

PEDDLERS & SOLICITORS IN DEWITT TOWNSHIP

The Township regulates most peddlers or solicitors who come to your door. Applicants are screened with criminal history background checks and vehicles used within the community are documented. If a peddler or solicitor comes to your door, and you decide to answer your door, always ask to see a Peddlers/Solicitors Permit, issued by the Township. If the person at your door has no permit, politely tell them you are not interested in their product/issue and close and lock your door. Do not be confrontational. Then call 9-1-1 to report this activity. Never let a stranger into your home, and always report suspicious activity to the police by calling 9-1-1. In Clinton County, 9-1-1 is for both emergencies and non-emergencies.

Persons engaged in soliciting, peddling or vending under the direct supervision of any school, recognized charity or non-profit organization, political candidate or religious organization are exempt from the licensing requirements, but must still follow the hours established in the Township's Ordinance, which is 9am-8pm, Monday through Saturday.

Persons/Organizations with active permits are listed on the Township's website, www.dewitttownship.org, search for "peddlers" or use this link: <https://www.dewitttownship.org/DocumentCenter/View/616/Active-Peddlers>.

TAX TIME & PROPERTY TAX PAYMENT RECEIPTS

Many taxpayers' accountants and property owners preparing income tax returns during this time of year request copies of property tax statements. To make it simple for our residents to gather this information, property tax data and payment records are available from the Property and Tax Search feature at dewitttownship.org.

UPCOMING 2023 PROPERTY TAX SEASON

03/13/2023 and 03/16/2023: March Board of Review

07/01/2023: Summer real and personal property taxes levied and statements mailed

09/14/2023: Summer property taxes due

12/01/2023: Winter real and personal property taxes levied and statements mailed

02/14/2024: Winter property taxes due

INFLATION REDUCTION ACT WAYS TO REDUCE YOUR HOME ENERGY COSTS

Would you like to lower your gas and electric bills?

Do you need a new, more efficient stove, furnace, clothes dryer, or hot water heater?

Would you like to install insulation or new windows to improve your house's energy efficiency?

Have you been thinking about installing solar panels? Buying an electric vehicle?

Are you building a new home and would like to include energy efficient systems?

If the answer to any of these questions is "yes," there are major financial incentives available from the Inflation Reduction Act that can significantly reduce the cost of making these and similar upgrades. The Act provides direct rebates for low- and moderate-income households that install new, efficient electric appliances. For instance, a low-income household will receive a rebate covering the full cost of a heat pump installation for space heating, up to a cap of \$8,000. This household could receive up to \$1,750 for a heat pump water heater, \$840 for an electric stove, and \$840 for an electric clothes dryer. If required, this household can also receive up to \$4,000 for an upgraded breaker box, \$2,500 for upgraded electrical wiring, and \$1,600 for insulation, ventilation and sealing. For moderate income households, the same rebates are available to cover 50% of the costs.

The Act also allows households to deduct from their taxes up to 30% of the cost of upgrades to their homes, including installing heat pumps, insulation and importantly, upgrading their breaker boxes to accommodate additional electric load. Upgrade costs include both equipment and installation/labor costs. These deductions are limited to \$600 per measure, up to \$1,200 per household per year-with one notable exception. Households can deduct 30% of the costs for buying and installing a heat pump water heater or heat pump for their space heating and cooling, up to \$2,000.

As a reminder, please check with your tax advisor for the details of the programs to verify you are eligible for these rebates/credits.

In addition, Consumers Energy provides a free service for its customers. They will send an expert to your home and recommend ways to reduce your energy costs. Consumers Energy also offers energy saving products to their customers at deep discounts.

More information on the Consumers Energy Home Energy Analysis can be found at:

<https://www.consumersenergy.com/residential/save-money-and-energy/assessments/home-energy-analysis>.

REUNITE WITH YOUR LONG-LOST MONEY

The Michigan Department of Treasury has millions of dollars in lost or forgotten assets from dormant bank accounts, uncashed checks, valuables left in safe deposit boxes, and stock certificates. Because these properties were considered abandoned and unclaimed by the bank or company entrusted with them, they are turned over to the State, as required by law. The Michigan Department of Treasury is the custodian of these assets and reunites them with their owner when they are rightfully claimed. Call 517-636-5320 or visit <https://unclaimedproperty.michigan.gov> to determine if the State is holding valuables on your behalf.

PARK NEWS

The Township maintains a vibrant park system ideal for those who enjoy spending time outdoors. Picnic pavilions at Granger Meadows and Valley Farms parks provide a great gathering spot for family reunions, graduation parties, birthday parties, and more. Visit the indoor/outdoor rental page on the Township's website to view available dates on the pavilion calendars. Pavilions are available for 4-hour time blocks and rent for \$65/residents and \$90/non-residents. The rate includes picnic tables, electricity, and the use of a charcoal grill. Each covered pavilion can accommodate 75-100 people.

Community Center and Township park locations:

- Community Center, 16101 Brook Road, Lansing
- Granger Meadows, 1275 Granger Meadows Lane, Lansing
- Valley Farms Park, 1080 E. Wieland Road, Lansing
- Looking Glass Riverfront Park, 3912 W. Herbison Road, DeWitt
- Richard A Padgett Natural Area, 3661 W. Herbison Road, DeWitt
- Station House Park, 1445 W. Herbison Road, DeWitt
- Valley-Turner Park, intersection of E. Valley and Turner Roads, Lansing
- DeWitt Dog Park, 3661 W. Herbison Road, DeWitt*



*Weather permitting, the Township's dog park is scheduled to open April 1st.

Weather permitting, public restrooms are scheduled to open on May 1st. The Community Center and other Township parks are open year-round. A complete list of park amenities is listed at dewitttownship.org.

SPECIAL RECYCLING & WASTE COLLECTION

The Clinton County Department of Waste Management (DWM) provides special recycling and waste collection events each year for Clinton County residents. For more information or to learn about other disposal and recycling options, call 989-224-5186, send an email to recycle@clinton-county.org or visit online at www.clinton-county.org and look for the link to the Department of Waste Management.

Medication Disposal Programs

Protect your family, pets, the community and the environment by properly disposing of unwanted or expired medications through one of the drop off programs noted below. Do not put medications "down the drain" or in the trash. They can end up in surface waters and negatively impact local ecosystems. The preferred disposal option is through special events which ensure safe disposal through incineration.

Please keep your medications in their original containers. Be sure to black out any personal information.

Controlled medications (narcotics and behavioral medications) in pill, tablet or capsule form can be safely and securely dropped off at the Clinton County Sheriff's Office lobby, Bath Township Police Department and DeWitt Charter Township Hall, Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 5:00 pm. **These sites do not accept needles, inhalers, aerosols or patches. Please do not deposit these items into the container. It is dangerous for those emptying the disposal box. If you need to dispose of these types of items, you may do so safely at the Spring and Fall Special Collection Events.**

Please be sure to black out personal information; however, leave the drug name visible!

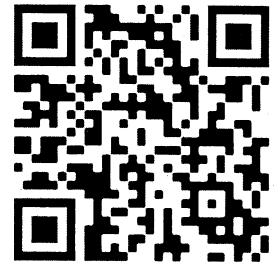
Spring Collection Event

Saturday, April 29, 2023 - 8:00 am - 1:00 pm - An appointment is required to attend. Online registration is open. Check the website for details <https://www.clinton-county.org/314/Current-Events> or follow the County's Facebook page www.facebook.com/Clinton-CountyMI for details.

Acceptable items include household hazardous waste, unwanted medications, farm & landscaping chemicals, motor oil & antifreeze, household computer equipment & electronics, scrap metal, bulky waste, appliances, and car tires (limit of 10). Most items are accepted free of charge, but nominal fees do apply (\$10 a piece for televisions & computer monitors - pay online with credit card or pay by cash or check on the day of the event).

Medication disposal is also available at this event. Used needles, Epi pens, inhalers, aerosols and patches WILL be accepted at this event. *Please be sure to black out personal information; however, leave the drug name visible!*

Want to keep learning about recycling? The Clinton County Department of Waste Management has an electronic monthly newsletter. This newsletter highlights recycling tips, events, and recycling opportunities for county residents. To sign up for the newsletter visit www.clinton-county.org/196/Waste-Management. You can also scan the QR code and it will take you directly to the website above. While you're visiting the website, don't forget to use the Waste Wizard to find out where you can recycle or dispose of just about anything!



MICHIGAN HOMEOWNER ASSISTANCE FUND

The Michigan Homeowner Assistance Fund (MIHAF) was established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 to mitigate hardships associated with the coronavirus pandemic. Funds can be used to prevent homeowner mortgage delinquencies, defaults, foreclosure, loss of utilities or home energy services, and displacements of homeowners experiencing financial hardship.

The Michigan State Housing Development Authority is the operating agency administering the MIHAF program. Up to a \$25,000 grant is available per eligible household for homeowners with financial challenges due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Grants can be used for:

- Delinquent mortgage/housing expenses, including property tax and insurance escrow shortages
- Delinquent land contract payments, mobile home consumer loan payments, or mobile home park lot payments
- Delinquent property taxes
- Delinquent condominium/homeowner's association fees
- Delinquent homeowner's insurance
- Delinquent utilities, gas, electric, water, sewer
- Delinquent internet broadband services

More information is available online at michigan.gov/MSHDA. Program questions can be directed to customer service at 844-756-4423, or by email to MSHDA-HO-HAF-Program@michigan.gov.

PROPERTY VALUE/SALES OUTLOOK FOR 2023

2023 is shaping up to be a very interesting year in assessing, property valuation, and property tax in general. Of concern to property owners is the 2023 Inflation Rate Multiplier (IRM) set at 5%. This is the first time we have seen the IRM meet its 5% cap, which is the highest allowable increase to taxable value due to inflation that must be applied under Michigan's General Property Tax Act. Actual inflation was measured at more than 7%. We are fortunate that this cap is present to restrict the amount of taxable value increase. This 5% increase will be seen by the vast majority of property owners.

We have seen a slowing of residential real estate sales and prices, although this slowing may be temporary. As interest rates were raised at a pace not seen in decades, existing and new home sales fell by the end of 2022. We have, however, not seen a large drop in prices, as sellers seem content to hold on to their property until interest rates decline. It will be interesting to watch what happens in 2023 as interest rates stay elevated. Home sale prices are still routinely exceeding current assessments. The Assessing Department is required to use 12 month and 24 month sales studies to resist quick, drastic increases in valuations.

For 2023, the Assessing Department will continue to monitor the effects of the slowing pace of new construction, the housing market, and interest rates for their effects on the overall housing market and valuations. Although it is too early to estimate housing and inflation information for 2023, it is our expectation that we will see reduced interest rates at some point in 2023, and a corresponding increase in home sales and home sales prices.

2023 BUILDING SAFETY MONTH

Building Safety Month is an international event celebrated in May. The purpose is to raise awareness about the benefits of safe buildings. It is to educate the public about the importance of adopting modern building codes and what it means to ensure a safe, resilient built environment. The International Code Council, with its 64,000 members, along with professionals from building, design and safety organizations join with governments and corporations to promote building safety through events, briefings and more.

A survey conducted by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) concluded that the average American spends 90% of each 24-hour day in buildings. We in the building safety arena understand the importance of safe buildings. Throughout May we, with the help of the International Code Council, will spread awareness of the benefits of building safety.

Building Safety Month is also a time to recognize the hard work that thousands of code and fire officials do to ensure that our built environment is safe and resilient, and to realize the great benefit these structures add to our quality of life. For more tips or resources, please contact the Building Department at 517-668-0278 or via email at building@dewittwp.org.

History of Building Codes

Building codes may seem to many as a new standard, but the fact is the concept of safe shelters has been around for a very long time. The first known building code was called the Hammurabi Code. The Hammurabi Code existed sometime around 2000 BC and was created by King Hammurabi of the Babylonian Empire. That Code basically stated that if a builder built a house and it collapsed and killed someone, it was treated as a capital offence.

In the U.S., the first building codes were established in 1625 to address fire safety and specific flammable materials used for roof covering. In 1630, Boston outlawed wood chimneys and thatch roofing. In the 1770s, George Washington recommended that area and height limitations be used for wood frame structures. In 1788, the first written building code appeared for the Salem area after many devastating

fires. More cities started to enact building codes in the early 1800s including inspections of public places. It was during the 1800s that steel frames emerged and paved the way for tall buildings and skyscrapers.

Timeline for U.S. Codes

- 1915 - The first National Building Code (BOCA)
- 1927 - The establishment of the Uniform Building Code (Primarily in the Western U.S.)
- 1972 - The creation of the Council of American Building Officials (CABO)
- 1991 – The adoption of the International Code Council's current national code

More Facts

- Buildings account for 40% of greenhouse emissions and 40% of all energy consumption in the U.S.
- The "Great" fires of history that have led to the development of building codes include The Great Fire of Rome (64 AD), The Great Fire of London (1666), The Great Chicago Fire (1871), The Great Baltimore Fire (1904) and The Cleveland Clinic Fire (1929).
- The MGM Grand Fire in Las Vegas in 1980 and the Station Fire of Rhode Island in 2003 led to the addition of fire prevention systems such as sprinkler systems, exit lights and egress codes.

DEWITT TOWNSHIP 2022 FIREFIGHTER OF THE YEAR



Each year, members of the Fire Department vote and award one member its Firefighter of the Year award. For 2022, members chose Jack Tingay for this honor.

Jack joined the DeWitt Township Fire Department in the fall of 2021. Within the next 16 months, he began his Medical First Responder (MFR) training and obtained his medical license and attended the Firefighter I & II training and obtained his certification from the State of Michigan as a Firefighter. Jack returned to medical training and obtained his EMT license. His

commitment and hard work in this endeavor has made him a very valuable member of this team!

Jack is also very active within the Fire Department, responding to 788 calls for service in 2022. In addition, he also attended numerous community events as well as bi-weekly trainings. He routinely responds to calls in the middle of the night.

Jack's dedication, positive outlook, and dependability to the Township and his community earned him this award. Jack was presented the award at the DeWitt Township Board Meeting on January 23, 2023.

DEWITT DISTRICT LIBRARY (DDL) NEW SERVICES AND EVENTS

Contact the DeWitt District Library at 517-669-3156 or visit www.dewittlibrary.org for information about programs and services. The Library is located at 13101 Schavey Road next to the Schavey Road Shopping Center.

Meeting Room Reservations Coming Soon - DDL is preparing to make its Annex space available for public reservations. Visit our website to find the application and other essential information. Applications begin March 1st.



Upcoming Events

Guided Meditation - Monthly on select Thursdays @ 6:30 pm

Adults, join us for a guided meditation with facilitator Dottie Fuller of Regeneration Wellness. Sessions will take place monthly on Thursdays at 6:30 pm. Future dates: March 16, April 20, May 25. Registration required.

Medicare 101 - Friday, March 17 @ 10 am

Whether you are new to Medicare or have been enrolled for years, this educational program will provide essential information and highlight popular options. Led by Sparrow Advantage. Registration required.

Spring Break @ the Library - Week of March 25

Spend Spring Break at the Library! We invite kids to join us for a Dungeons & Dragons Quest on Tuesday or Wednesday. On Thursday, drop in for a Spring Breaker pace where you'll use cool tools to take apart electronics. Check our online calendar to find the specific time slots for your age group.

Walking Club - Tuesdays starting April 4 @ 10 am

Meet up with area walkers to explore local parks and trails, weather permitting. First walk of the season is April 4. Registration required.

DDL Adult Egg Hunt - Tuesday, April 4 @ 7 pm

Adults, join us at our DeWitt Road property for an egg hunt! You'll dash across the field in search of eggs filled with candy and vouchers for various prizes. Registration required.

Babysitting Workshop - Saturday, April 22 @ 10 am

For teens 12 and up. Learn emergency procedures, discipline techniques, pediatric CPR, basic first aid, and everything else you need to be the best babysitter on the block. Class fee of \$30 is due at the beginning of class. Registration required.

Important Upcoming Dates

3/15/2023: Quarterly sewer bills sent covering April, May, and June
3/13/2023: March Board of Review
3/16/2023: March Board of Review
4/07/2023: Township offices closed
4/17/2023: Quarterly sewer bills covering April, May, and June are due
4/17/2023: State and Federal income tax returns due
5/29/2023: Township offices closed

DARA NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS

Program Name	Actual Dates	Time of Program Operation	Registration Dates	Age or Grade	Cost (Res/Non-Res)
Adult Open Volleyball	Sunday	7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Drop in	18+ yrs.	\$3 per visit
Cardio Drumming	Mon & Wed Ongoing	6:15 pm - 7:15 pm	Drop in	All ages welcome	\$5 per visit
Pickleball	Monday, Wednesday, Friday	8:00 am - 2:00 pm	Drop in	18+ yrs.	\$3 per visit
Zumba Gold	Session 2: 3/6/23-4/10/23	Mondays 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Registration due one week before class	18+ yrs.	\$36 for 6 week course OR \$8 drop-in per class
Zumba Gold Toning	Session 2: 3/10/23 - 4/14/23	Fridays 9:00 am - 10:00 am	Registration due one week before class	18+ yrs.	\$36 for 6 week course OR \$8 drop-in per class
Tai Chi	Tues & Thurs	1:00 pm - 2:00 pm (DeWitt City Hall Community Room)	Drop in	18+ yrs.	Free
Spring Break Camp	3/24/23 - 3/31/23	7:30 am - 5:30 pm	Deadline: 3/17/23 OR until full	5-12 yrs.	\$130/res; \$145/non-res
Easter Egg Hunt	Saturday, 3/18/23	3:00 pm Hunt begins @ DeWitt Sports Park	Deadline: 3/18/23 OR until full	1-10yrs.	FREE
Drop Your Kids Off	3/10/23 4/14/23	6:00 pm -11:00 pm	Registration due one week before event	5-12 yrs.	\$17/child; \$12/each additional child
Pre K Art Class	4/6/23 - 4/27/23	Morning session: 9:15 am - 10:00 am Evening Session: 6:30 pm-7:15 pm	Deadline 3/30/23 OR until full	2-5 yrs.	\$25/res; \$40/non res
3v3 Men's Basketball Leagues	4/11/23 - 5/23/23	6:00 pm -10:00 pm	Registration due one week before start date	18+ yrs.	\$150 team fee and Player Fees: \$5/res; \$20/non-res
Flag Football	5/9/23 - 5/30/23	Tuesdays: 5:30 pm - 8:00 pm Saturdays: 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm	Deadline: 4/1/23 OR until full	K-7 th grade	\$38/res; \$53/non-res
Spring Soccer	Saturdays 4/22/23 - 5/20/23	9:00 am - 2:00 pm	Deadline: 3/31/23 OR until full	PreK-3 rd grade	PreK, K, & 1 st : \$38/res; \$53/non-res 2 nd & 3 rd : \$44/res; \$59/non-res
Spring Sports Starter	4/5/23 - 5/10/23	5:30 pm - 7:00 pm	Deadline: 3/29/23 OR until full	3-5 yrs.	\$36/res; \$51/non res
Youth Volleyball	4/24/23 - 5/22/23	5:30 pm - 8:30 pm	Deadline: 4/17/23 OR until full	3 rd grade - 5 th grade	\$38/res; \$53/non res
Counselor in Training Program	6/12-8/21 no camp 7/4 11 weeks	7:30 am -12:30 pm OR 12:30 pm -5:30 pm	Deadline: 5/15/23 OR until full	15-17yrs.	\$10 per week
Summer Fun Club & Double Digit Day Camps	6/12-8/21 no camp 7/4 11 weeks	7:30 am - 5:30 pm	one week prior to the week chosen OR until full	5-14 yrs.	\$130/res/week; \$145/non-res/week \$25 non-refundable security deposit due at registration per week and per child. Balances due 5/31 for weeks 1-6 & due 7/5 for weeks 7-11

You may register for most DARA programs online by visiting our website at www.dewittrecreation.org. DARA accepts Visa and Mastercard payments for online registrations. You may also print a registration form and mail it in by clicking on the DARA forms link on our home page. You may drop off registration forms at the DeWitt Township Hall (1401 W. Herbison Rd.) as well. Call the DARA office at 517-482-5117 if you have any questions. You may also follow us on Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/dararecreation> to receive the most up to date information.



DARA Mission: DARA promotes community and quality of life through leisure services provided for the residents of the DeWitt area.

TOWNSHIP NEWSLETTER

NEWS BITES

SEWER BACKUP - WHO TO CALL - The Southern Clinton County Municipal Utilities Authority (SCCMUA) operates and maintains the sanitary sewer system of DeWitt Charter Township. If you have a sewer backup, immediately notify SCCMUA at 517-669-8311 or call 911 Central Dispatch after hours. SCCMUA will respond for itself and the Township. If a problem within the sewer system is found, SCCMUA will be the agency responsible for determining cause, coordinating claims, and keeping customers informed.

BURNING PERMITS - You can obtain a burning permit on-line. All open burning requires a burning permit issued through the DeWitt Township Fire Department. The burning permit application is located on the DeWitt Charter Township website under the "How Do I..." page or using this link, <https://www.dewitttownship.org/181/Burning-Permits>.

COMMITTEE & COMMISSION APPLICATIONS - Have you ever thought of serving the community in a more "official" way? Often, your friends and neighbors have been instrumental in shaping our community into what it is today. Contact the Clerk's Office for a Committee and Commission application. Applications are kept on file for use as vacancies occur.

MERCURY HEALTH THERMOMETER EXCHANGE -The Clinton County Dept. of Waste Management (DWM) accepts old mercury health thermometers year-round at their office located at 1307 E. Townsend Road, Suite 102 in St. Johns (MMDHD Building). Residents are encouraged to transport their old mercury thermometers in a plastic baggie. The DWM will exchange your old mercury health thermometer for a new digital thermometer. You can also drop off your mercury thermometers at the Township Hall Clerk's Office and exchange it for a digital one. **Limit one digital thermometer per person.**

PUBLICATIONS - DeWitt Charter Township publishes legal notices in the Lansing State Journal. Legal notices, such as a Notice of Public Hearing, can also be found on the Township's website, www.dewitttownship.org.

ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY - In an effort to increase transparency and accountability, the Township has created a number of systems and documents that are designed to visually review the status of our government. It is intended to help the user quickly evaluate key indicators. Over time, it helps citizens, business owners, staff, and elected officials measure and monitor the overall health and direction of our local government. These documents can be found on the Township's website at <https://www.dewitttownship.org/186/Township-Finances>.

PROTECT OUR WATERSHED - There are many ways to ensure that the Looking Glass River and Grand River watersheds are free of pollutants. One of the easiest is to use phosphorus free fertilizer. For more tips and information, visit <http://www.mvwatersheds.org>.

TOWNSHIP E-NEWS - You can sign up to receive the Township's E-News which provides monthly Township and community news. You can register on the Township's website under the "How do I..." link, or <https://www.dewitttownship.org/list.aspx>.