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Superintendent's Note

On the Cover:

The Grand Ledge Comets take the field. "Growing Progress" sculpture located at W. Jefferson and Harrison Streets was designed by Michigan Artist, Thomas Sheerin. And, Delta Township employee Dan Brush shows his Delta pride with his son Owen.

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On February 1, 2017, the Grand Ledge High School lunch hour was interrupted by a report of a man with a gun near the School. School administration, as well as the Grand Ledge Police Department and four other area police agencies immediately responded.

The report, though well intended, turned out to be in error. However, it took over 40 minutes of investigation to come to that conclusion. In the meantime, the students and staff of Grand Ledge High School, Beagle Elementary, Neff Kindergarten Center, and Holbrook Early Childhood Center went into lockdown. It is a procedure the school district and police departments have practiced and rehearsed for over a decade. In this incident, we're happy to say, it went off without a hitch because those involved knew what to do.

However, when the incident was over, it was clear people not involved in our training and drills did not know what to do. How could they? So, we are taking this opportunity to provide some helpful tips in the event something like this happens again. These tips will help the schools and the police who are working cooperatively to keep our students and community safe.

1. **Do not call the schools, the police department, or the 911 Center.** Keeping these lines open is crucial to maintaining communication with the people on the scene. Calling those lines only hinders our communication efforts.
2. **Do not come to the area of the lockdown.** You will not be able to get close to the site, and will be redirected by police. Coming to the lockdown area will impede our work and potentially puts you at risk.
3. **Wait for updates from the school district's SchoolMessenger system (phone, emails and texts).** The district will also communicate through its website (www.glcomets.net), as well as the District's Facebook (search: GLComets) and Twitter (@glps_rightnow) accounts.
4. **Check law enforcement social media.** You may also subscribe to Nixle by texting your zip code to 888777. Nixle will provide you with information from your local public safety departments.
5. **Do not post information online, or on social media unless you are sharing specific facts that have been provided through the district or police.** False information will only confuse and/or frighten people.
6. **When reading social media posts only rely on reputable resources for information.** Community Facebook contributors sometimes type what they have heard, which is not always factual. In a recent incident, two men talking about a gun turned into a Facebook report of two people running through a neighborhood with M16's.
7. **If student pick-up is needed, the school district will communicate the location(s) for that pick up.** It is not likely to be at the incident's site but rather an alternative location that students will be bused to.
8. **Above all . . . be patient.** When the district is in lockdown, no one is allowed to enter or leave the building, until the police determine it is safe.

Please know, we understand a situation at a school can make people anxious and afraid. However, the first priority and objective of the Grand Ledge Public Schools and our Grand Ledge Police Department is to ensure the safety and well-being of our students, staff and community. We will communicate as soon as we possibly can, and we will share as much information as is appropriate.

As always, we thank you for your continued support!! Proud to be a Comet!!

Dr. Brian Metcalf

Chief Martin Underhill

NOTICE OF NONDISCRIMINATION
It is the policy of the Grand Ledge Public Schools District that no person shall be discriminated against in matters of employment or enrollment on the basis of race, color, national origin, gender/sex, sexual orientation, age, disability, height, weight or marital status in its programs, services or activities.

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Meeting Schedule

Meeting Date	Time	Site	Purpose
April 10	6:00 p.m.	Admin. Conf. Room	Work Session
April 24	6:00 p.m.	Sawdon Board Room	Regular Meeting
May 2	6:00 p.m.	Crowne Plaza	County-Wide Board Meeting
May 22	6:00 p.m.	Sawdon Board Room	Regular Meeting
June 12	6:00 p.m.	Admin. Conf. Room	Work Session
June 26	6:00 p.m.	Sawdon Board Room	Regular Meeting
July 10*	6:00 p.m.	Sawdon Board Room	Regular Meeting
August 14	6:00 p.m.	Admin. Conf. Room	Work Session
August 28	6:00 p.m.	Sawdon Board Room	Regular Meeting
September 11	6:00 p.m.	Admin. Conf. Room	Work Session
September 25	6:00 p.m.	Sawdon Board Room	Regular Meeting
October 9	6:00 p.m.	Admin. Conf. Room	Work Session
October 23	6:00 p.m.	Sawdon Board Room	Regular Meeting
November 13	6:00 p.m.	Admin. Conf. Room	Work Session
November 27	6:00 p.m.	Sawdon Board Room	Regular Meeting
December 11*	6:00 p.m.	Sawdon Board Room	Regular Meeting
January 8, 2018	6:00 p.m.	Sawdon Board Room	Organizational Meeting

**Only one meeting in July due to summer recess and December due to holidays.*

Parent Advisories

Integrated Pest Management Program

Grand Ledge Public Schools has adopted an Integrated Pest Management Program. Inherent with this are the district's efforts to reduce pesticide use as much as possible. While it may be necessary, occasionally, to apply pesticide, this program does not rely on routine pesticide applications to resolve problems. Instead, we use various techniques such as habitat alteration, sanitation, mechanical means or exclusion to prevent pests from becoming a problem.

If it is necessary for the district to utilize a pesticide other than bait or gel formation at your child's school, you will receive advance notice of the application. As required by law, we will post the notice of application at your child's school entrance and in a common area located by the main office of the school. However, if you would like to be notified by first-class U.S. mail, postmarked at least three-days before the application, please contact our Operations Department at 517-925-5430. Give your name, mailing address and what school your child attends. PLEASE NOTE: In an emergency (i.e., stinging bees), pesticides may be applied without prior notice, but you will be provided notice immediately following such application.

You may review our IPM program or pesticide application records for your child's school by calling the Operations Department at 517-925-5430 or by emailing our Assistant Superintendent for Operations at johnsonm@glcomets.net.

When school is not in regular session, parents will not receive advance notice by mail.

Not all water pollution comes from big factories – it's also caused by little household chores.

Hosing off your driveway or sidewalk sends dirt, motor oil, fertilizer, and animal waste into our rivers and lakes – the very water we drink. So please, sweep instead of hosing. Limit your fertilizer use and avoid applying it before a rainy day. Take care when changing your motor oil. And tidy up after your pets.

Wondering what to do with unused household and landscaping chemicals? Drop them off for free at the Ingham County Health Department.

Remember: anything that enters storm drains or ditches is headed straight for your local lake or river. No filters, no treatment. Your waterways are closer than you think!

To learn more about how Grand Ledge Public Schools is helping to protect our local streams, visit our Storm Water Management page under the Operations Department on the district website: www. glcomets.net.

Mark Your Calendar

Dates to Remember

April 11	SAT / ACT High School Testing Day
April 12	SAT / ACT High School Testing Day
April 14	NO STUDENTS – Good Friday
April 24	Elementary & Middle School Conferences (5:00 – 8:00 pm)
April 25	High School Conferences (5:00 – 8:00 pm)
April 26	Middle School Conferences (5:00 – 8:00 pm)
April 27	Elementary & High School Conferences (5:00 – 8:00 pm)
April 28	½ Day for Students Elementary & Middle School Afternoon Conferences
April 29	Prom (6:30 – 10:30 pm) Spartan Stadium
May 23	Senior Awards Ceremony (8:30 am) GLHS Auditorium
May 26	½ Day for Students Last Day for Seniors
May 29	NO STUDENTS – Memorial Day
June 2	Class of 2017 Graduation Ceremony (7:00 pm) MSU Beslin Center
June 13	½ Day for Students Last Day for Students

Comet Athletics

Due to an ever-changing schedule, the Grand Ledge Athletic Department encourages people to visit glathletics.com for the most up-to-date information. If you do not have computer access, please contact the Athletic Department at 517-925-5930.

2017-2018 Student Calendar

August 17, 2017	**Open Houses***
	Kindergarten & Elementary (4:00 - 6:00 PM)
August 21, 2017	***Students Begin School - ½ Day***
August 23, 2017	**Open Houses***
	7-8 (5:00 - 7:00 PM)
	9-12 (6:00 - 8:00 PM)
August 25, 2017	**No Students**
September 1 - 4 , 2017	**No Students** - Labor Day Weekend
October 3, 2017	High School Conferences (4:30 - 7:30 PM)
October 4, 2017	***STUDENT COUNT DAY***
October 5, 2017	High School Conferences (4:30 - 7:30 PM)
October 6, 2017	***½ Day for Students***
November 10, 2017	**End First Trimester (K-6)**
November 14, 2017	Middle School Conferences (4:30 - 7:30 PM)
	Elementary Conferences (5:00 - 8:00 PM)
November 16, 2017	Middle School Conferences (4:30 - 7:30 PM)
	Elementary Conferences (5:00 - 8:00 PM)
November 17, 2017	***½ Day for Students***
	Elementary & Middle School Afternoon Conferences
	End of First Trimester (7-12)
November 20-24, 2017	**No Students** - Thanksgiving Recess
November 27, 2017	Classes Resume
December 8, 2017	***½ Day for Students***
December 25, 2017 - January 5, 2018	**No Students** - Holiday Recess
January 8, 2018	Classes resume
January 15, 2018	**No Students -** MLK Day
January 16, 2018	High School Conferences (4:30 - 7:30 PM)
January 18, 2018	High School Conferences (4:30 - 7:30 PM)
February 2, 2018	***½ Day for Students***
February 14, 2018	***STUDENT COUNT DAY***
February 19, 2018	**No Students** - President's Day
March 2, 2018	**End Second Trimester (K-6)**
March 6, 2018	Middle School Conferences (4:30 - 7:30 PM)
	Elementary Conferences (5:00 - 8:00 PM)
March 8, 2018	Middle School Conferences (4:30 - 7:30 PM)
	Elementary Conferences (5:00 - 8:00 PM)
March 9, 2018	***½ Day for Students***
	Elementary & Middle School Afternoon Conferences
	End of Second Trimester (7-12)
March 30, 2018	**No Students** - Good Friday
April 2 - 6, 2018	**No Students** - Spring Recess
April 9, 2018	Classes Resume
April 10, 2018	High School Testing Day
April 11, 2018	High School Testing Day
April 24, 2018	High School Conferences (4:30 - 7:30 PM)
April 26, 2018	High School Conferences (4:30 - 7:30 PM)
May 25, 2018	***½ Day for Students***
	Last Day for Class of 2018
May 28, 2018	**No Students** - Memorial Day
June 1, 2018	***GLHS Class of 2018 Graduation @ MSU Breslin Center***
June 5, 2018	***½ Day for Students/Last Student Day***
	End of Third Trimester

Substitutes Needed!

Are you looking for a second job, or just want to make a little extra money without working full time? Call our Human Resources Office at 517-925-5406 to discuss your availability. Some substitute positions do not require a full day's work. Substitute bus drivers could be available for just a morning or afternoon run. Custodial substitutes may be able to work afternoons or evenings. Give us a call and see if we can help you out!

★TEACHERS ★BUS DRIVERS ★CUSTODIANS
★CLERICAL ★TEACHER ASSISTANTS

Visit our website at
www.glcomets.net
and click on the
Substitutes Needed!
link on the homepage.

Scarves for Refugees

Each year, thousands of people arrive in the United States as refugees or immigrants. Some who arrive are unaccompanied minors, having been separated from their families abroad as they fled violence or disaster. Most of these children come from parts of the world that do not have cold winters.

When students in Mrs. Earle's Girls Teen Leadership and Ms. Ryder's Academic Success classes learned about this, they decided these children needed warm clothes to help welcome them to Michigan.

The students learned how to "finger crochet" and made scarves. The students were so enthusiastic about this project that other students and even family members volunteered to help. Staff from throughout the district donated yarn providing the students with more than enough for their project.

Then, in December, representatives David Huisman and Courtney Schroeder from Bethany Refugee Services came to Hayes Middle School to accept the scarves. There were five paper boxes filled with 60 scarves made by the students.

"This project wouldn't have been possible without the generosity of the entire Grand Ledge community for the donations of yarn and the students' enthusiasm for the project." said Mrs. Earle.

Hayes 8th Graders Benefit from GLEF Grant

Eighth grade students at Hayes Middle School recently completed an earthquake tower project, which was funded by a Grand Ledge Education Foundation grant. The grant enabled the science department to purchase two new earthquake simulator machines. As part of their earthquake unit, students learned about where and why earthquakes occur and how they impact and endanger people and property. Students were challenged to design and build wooden towers that would withstand a simulated earthquake using the new machines. Students came up with some very innovative designs, and most towers successfully survived the simulated earthquake. Students enjoyed this hands-on learning opportunity and were able to see first-hand how science and engineering are related.

'Lil Free Library'

Thanks to the Willow Ridge Student Council, in collaboration with school librarian Mrs. Pogoncheff and art teacher Mrs. Dembowski, there is a New 'Lil Free Library at the school! It's a "take a book, return a book," free book exchange. Anyone may take a book or bring a book to share. The library was built by Wayne Kingsley, grandfather of first grader Owen Kingsley. The Grand Opening was just in time for March is Reading Month. *Keeping literacy alive at Willow Ridge!*

Saturday, May 6, 2017
9:00 a.m. start; Packet pick up begins at 8:00 a.m.
$10.00/person – all ages welcome
Wacousta Elementary School

RUN for the DREAM 5K

Last year was the first annual "Run for the Dream 5K" to raise funds for the Dream Depot 2.0. Thanks to the support of our amazing community, the playground was completed last fall. We are planning to host this annual event to raise funds for some finishing touches and to supplement district funding for the specially designed mulch that is needed on the interior of the playground to allow for wheelchair access.

Join us for a great morning of fun and fellowship!
Sign up now at: https://runsignup.com/Race/MI/Eagle/RunfortheDream

Cruise-in for Kids

When: May 24, 2017
Time: 5:30 - 7:30 pm
Where: Neff Kindergarten Center
950 Jenne Street, Grand Ledge, MI

Costs*
Car Entrants: $15 (suggested donation)
Spectators: We ask for whatever you can afford

Blessings in a Backpack
Feeding The Future Of America®

This is a cruise-in for all motor vehicle enthusiasts. **All net proceeds go directly to support our local Blessings in a Backpack program.* Blessings is a program that provides weekend food to underprivileged students in our Grand Ledge community.

For more information or to register your car for the show, contact event coordinator David Averill at 517-505-0406.

Sponsored by: Shaheen Chevrolet Lansing Michigan
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Grand Ledge Education Foundation

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GRAND LEDGE EDUCATION FOUNDATION

If you are interested in serving your school community, we'd love to talk to you about joining the Board of Directors.
Please contact President Thom Sowle
eMail: sowlet@glcomets.net or phone: 517-927-7945

$1000 Scramble

Sponsored by the Grand Ledge Chamber of Commerce

$1000 CASH PRIZES!
- $250 - All Men's Team
- $250 - All Women's Team
- $250 - Mixed Team
- $250 - Drawing

Skins Game, New Car and $10,000 Hole-in-One Contests!
PLUS: Door Prizes, Putting Contest, Raffles, 50-50! (Prizes & Dinner @ 2pm)

GRAND LEDGE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Friday, August 11th
Centennial Acres
12485 Dow Rd., Subfield

Shotgun Start at 9:00 am
Golf Includes 18 holes with cart, continental breakfast, bottomless draft beer and all-you-can-eat lunch & dinner!

$65 / person or $250 / team - Early Bird Special
$75 / person or $300 / team - After August 7th

Pay fast & easy online at
www.GrandLedgeChamber.com/golf
To register, eMail: GLACCGL@gmail.com

Text Option for School Messages Available

SCHOOLMESSENGER®

Grand Ledge Public Schools uses the SchoolMessenger™ system to send out school delay/closing alerts and important reminders. Parents have the option of receiving our messages via text. If you would like to receive text messages from Grand Ledge Public Schools, simply text "YES" to 67587 to opt-in.

Little Comets Preschool Program

The Grand Ledge Public Schools' Little Comets Preschool Program is enrolling for the Fall of 2017. With two convenient locations next year, Grand Ledge and Delta Township, now is the time to reserve a spot for your child. To register, please call 517-925-5641 or email Program Supervisor Breanna Cleeves at cleevesb@glcomets.net.

Celebrating Reading at Delta Center

Students in Mrs. Viecelli's first grade class at Delta Center celebrated March is Reading Month by wearing Dr. Seuss hats made by a grandmother from the classroom. They are posing in front of the cereal box reading house Mrs. Viecelli made for her students to enjoy.

School Information

The Grand Ledge Community Stadium Project continues to gain momentum with the goal of installing a state of the art synthetic turf surface this summer, ready in time for the fall sports season.

Currently our GLHS stadium is used 10-13 days each year for football games and marching band performances. A new safe, consistent surface for our community will allow access for soccer, football, lacrosse, band, physical education classes, youth soccer, flag football, daily practices and community performances.

Visit www.glcommunitystadium.com to find out how you can help with this community fundraising effort. You can also follow us on Twitter (@glstadium) or find us on Facebook (search: glcommunitystadium).

"Access to the Grand Ledge Community Stadium means many groups within our community will be able to display their programs at a quality facility without concern about the surface being damaged. The extended hours will mean that soccer programs, football programs, band programs, lacrosse programs, etc. will have the opportunity to be showcased at the high school, under the lights, in the heart of our community."
Scott Dane - Head Soccer Coach

"To practice and perform on a safe consistent field is a huge benefit to the band program. It would be a big advantage to practice on wet days on a field with stability and consistency. On our current practice field, the day after a hard rain, the field is essentially a mud puddle."
John Szczerowski - GLHS Band Director

"The stadium can be used and used often. Being able to use the stadium Spring, Summer and Fall and not have to worry about damaging the surface would be an improvement that would truly be an investment. Space and consistent game day and practice procedures are essential for our students."
Matt Bird - Head Football Coach

"Right now we can only use the stadium less than a dozen times each school year. With a safe, consistent synthetic surface our marching band, soccer and lacrosse teams along with physical education classes will have access. Recreation and youth sports could also use the facility, transforming it to a true multi-purpose community stadium."
Steve Baker - GLPS Director of Athletics

"The Turf project will be very advantageous to the district. It will provide greater opportunity for students to use the facility and save the district tens of thousands of dollars each year in maintenance costs. The community will see district and regional soccer, football, and lacrosse games played on the field, which will bring thousands of people to our community, boosting business in the greater Grand Ledge area!"
Dr. Brian Metcalf - GLPS Superintendent

T-Ball / Baseball / Softball Leagues

Grade determination is based on the student's grade during the 2016-2017 school year unless otherwise noted. Participants must be 4 years old as of May 30, 2017.

4 Yr. Olds & Kindergarten

This co-ed T-ball program runs twice a week for 6-weeks. The first 2-weeks are practices and the last 4-weeks are games. Two leagues offered: Monday/Wednesday OR Tuesday/Thursday. Practices and games are held in the evening at Holbrook & Hayes M.S.

Practices Start ~ Week of May 30th
Games Start ~ Week of June 12th
Registration Fee ~ $40*
Registration Deadline ~ May 5th

Machine-Pitch (1st/2nd Grade)

This boy's baseball program runs on Mondays & Wednesdays for 6-weeks. The first 2-weeks are practices and the last 4-weeks are games, with an end of season tournament. Practices and games are held at Marsh Field & Fitzgerald Park.

Practices Start ~ May 31st
Games Start ~ June 12th
Registration Fee ~ $40*
Registration Deadline ~ May 5th

Kid-Pitch (3rd/4th Grade)

This boy's baseball program runs on Tuesdays & Thursdays for 6-weeks. The first 2-weeks are practices and the last 4-weeks are games, with an end of season tournament. Practice locations: Marsh Field, Fitzgerald Park, Delta Center & Bridge Field. All games played at Bridge Field.

Practices Start ~ May 30th
Games Start ~ June 13th
Registration Fee ~ $40*
Registration Deadline ~ May 5th

Kid-Pitch (5th/6th Grade)

This boy's baseball program runs on Mondays & Wednesdays for 6-weeks. The first 2-weeks are practices and the last 4-weeks are games, with an end of season tournament. Practices locations: Hayes M.S., Delta Center & Bridge Field. All games played at Bridge Field.

Practices Start ~ May 31st
Games Start ~ June 12th
Registration Fee ~ $40*
Registration Deadline ~ May 5th

Coach-Pitch

1st/2nd Grade & 3rd/4th Grade

This girl's softball program runs on Mondays & Wednesdays for 6-weeks. The first 2-weeks are practices and the last 4-weeks are games, with an end of season tournment. Practices locations: GL Softball Complex, Hayes M.S. & Delta Center. All games held at the GL Softball Complex.

Practices Start ~ May 31st
Games Start ~ June 12th
Registration Fee ~ $40*
Registration Deadline ~ May 5th

Registration Options

Online: glathletics.com
(click on the community recreation tab)

In Person: Community Rec Office
220 Lamson Street
Mon-Fri 9am-4pm

**Fee includes a team jersey & hat*

Jen Daly
Community Recreation Coordinator
daljy@glcomets.net
(517) 925-5440

To register for any of our programs, or for the most up-to-date list of our program offerings, please visit our Community Recreation page at glathletics.com

Summer Track & Field

Ages 4 - 50+ (Open to all ages)

This program is held at the Grand Ledge Track located at Beagle Elementary. Individuals interested in track and field may participate. Practices are held on Mondays and Meets are held on Wednesdays. For more information please visit our website: glathletics.com and click on the Community Rec tab

Practices ~ June 12th, 19th, 26th, July 10th, 17th & 24th

Meet Line Up ~ June 14th, 21st, 28th, July 12th, 19th & 26th

Fee ~ $5 walk-in's per meet/practice
~ $10 for July 26th meet
~ $50 for entire season including July 26th meet

Summer Camps & Clinics

Boy's Basketball Camp

Kindergarten – 8th Grade

This camp is for boys entering grades K-8 in the fall of 2017 and is led by GLHS Coaching staff with assistance from current and past GLHS basketball players. This camp is for boys interested in basketball and is designed for players of all skill levels from beginner to experienced. Instruction will be provided to develop and refine fundamental basketball skills such as defense, rebounding, passing, dribbling and shooting. It will also introduce the basics of the BFS (Bigger, Faster, Stronger) unified workout program adhered to by GLHS athletes for campers in grades 7th-8th. The younger campers will be introduced to some of the stretching, speed and agility techniques.

Camp Dates ~ June 26th-29th
Camp Times

- ~ K – 2nd : 9-10am
- ~ 3rd – 6th : 10:30am-12:30pm
- ~ 7th & 8th: 1-3pm

Registration Fee

- ~ $50 (t-shirt included)
- ~ $55 walk-in (t-shirt not guaranteed)

Location ~ High School Gyms

High School Program Camp

9th-12th Grade

This camp is for boys entering grades 9-12 in the fall of 2017 and incorporates training situations required at the High School level. This is a 4-day camp with each day beginning with a different emphasis and ending with game play. All players who plan on playing in the summer league and shoot outs should attend.

Dates ~ June 12th-15th
Camp Time ~ 3-5 pm
Registration Fee ~ $20
Location ~ High School Gyms

Girl's Basketball Camp

Kindergarten – 8th Grade

Open to girls entering Grades K-8 in the fall of 2017. The camp will be led by GLHS Girls Varsity Coach Dave Jones, with assistance from other GL coaches and current players. This camp is designed for players of all abilities – from beginner to experienced. Instruction will be provided to develop and refine fundamental basketball skills. Focus will be on all basketball skills, including shooting, passing, dribbling, rebounding, defense and scrimmages.

Camp Dates ~ June 19th-22nd
Camp Times

- ~ K – 2nd: 9-10am
- ~ 3rd – 5th: 10:30am-12:30pm
- ~ 6th – 8th: 1-3pm

Registration Fee

- ~ $45 3rd-8th (t-shirt included)
- ~ $25 K-2nd (t-shirt included)

Location ~ High School Gyms

Boy's Baseball Camp

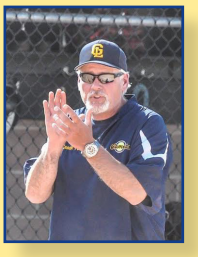
Current 2nd – 8th Grade

Join legendary Comet coach Pat O'Keefe and long time Pewamo-Westphalia coach Mark Rademacher for a 5-day baseball camp. The camp is designed for players from beginner to experienced to help develop fundamental skills and the techniques needed to succeed on the diamond. Lunch break will be from 12-12:30 pm. Participants have the option of bringing a sack lunch or pizza and drinks will be available for purchase.

Camp Dates ~ June 19th-23rd
Camp Times ~ 10am - 2pm
Registration Fee ~ $70 (t-shirt included)
Location ~ Gorman Field

Girl's Softball Camp

1st – 8th Grade



Open to girls entering 1st – 8th grades in the fall of 2017. Led by coach Pat Malloy with assistance from other GL coaches, current and past players. The camp is designed for players from beginner to experienced player. Instruction provided for girls looking to develop their fundamental softball skills. Focus will be on all player's skills including; batting, fielding, throwing, catching, etc.

Camp Dates ~ June -26th–29th
Camp Times ~ 9am - 12pm
Registration Fee ~ $60 (t-shirt included)
Location ~ High School Softball Field

Youth Volleyball Clinic

Current 3rd – 6th Grade

GLHS Varsity Volleyball Coach Danielle Borgman and the current GLHS Volleyball players are the instructors. The program will consist of basic volleyball fundamentals, skill development on passing, setting and hitting, competing in game like drills and improving on your serve.

Clinic Dates ~ April 25th – May 18th (Tuesday/Thursday – twice a week for 4 weeks, 8 sessions)

Camp Times

- ~ 3rd & 4th : 5:30-6:30
- ~ 5th & 6th: 6:30-7:30

Registration Fee ~ $50 (t-shirt included)
Location ~ High School Main Gym

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Naturally Grand . . . City Council and staff put resounding emphasis on the importance of our citizens. We do this in part by ensuring our work creates a return on investment. This statement is paramount around the work we do each day. Collectively, our priority is you as a citizen and partner as we work to build a better community and enhance the quality of life in Grand Ledge. Ensuring fiscal responsibility, prioritizing projects for long-term results, and creating an environment that builds community and inspires economic investment are a few ways we assess your return on investment. We encourage you to attend a City Council meeting, visit the City's website, and stop by City Hall to become familiar with the work that strengthens our community for you, your family, and your neighbors. We are pleased to share a few updates that are accessible through **cityofgrandledge.com**:

60 Second Survey –A regular feature on the homepage so check in often to weigh in on new topics. Please share your perspective with us. Current survey: "How do you get your City information?"
Utility Bills and Taxes – Sign-up for utility e-billing, view account history, online payments
Explore a Park – Interactive maps, lists of amenities, facilities and meeting space to rent
Find Out if You Need a Permit – The Building and Zoning Departments will guide your property improvement projects with permit information for your new roof, fence, shed, etc.
See How Infrastructure Funds are Utilized – View the interactive street map to track progress and future improvements
Watch a City Council Meeting – Available on the website, Comcast Channel 12, and the City's Facebook page (@CityofGrandLedgeGovernment)
Enter the GL Photo Contest – Photos taken within City limits can be entered for cash prizes!
Charter Commission – Officials continue work to revise the City's Charter; visit the *Charter Commission Update* page to submit comments or feedback online
New Parks and Recreation Master Plan: The City's 2017-2021 Parks and Recreation Master Plan has been approved by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. The City would like to thank the hundreds of residents who submitted feedback via a 2016 survey and the Parks and Recreation Commissioners for spearheading this plan. For the next five years, the City has a comprehensive plan and priorities to help us ensure that our incredible parks are the best they can be. This plan serves as a great example of how residents and government can work together and create something that benefits us all. Visit the *Parks in Grand Ledge* page on our website for a complete copy of the plan. **Record Breaking Participation**: Through the City's Community Recreation Agreement with Grand Ledge Public Schools, their Community Recreation Department facilitated record breaking participation in 2016 with 2,088 participants, surpassing the former record of 1,908 in 2009. GLPS provides significant value to our community with their relevant and accessible programs. We look forward to new record-breaking participation in 2017 with the addition and enhancement of community recreation programming. **Congratulations**: On a closing note, we are pleased to officially welcome and congratulate GLAESA Chief Rodney VanDeCasteele in his new role. Chief VanDeCasteele has served our Fire Department since 1989.

Thank you for all you do to make Grand Ledge great! Enjoy your day!

Adam Smith, City Administrator

The City of Grand Ledge

City Council Priorities 2016 & 2017
Adopted January 11, 2016

TIER 1
- **10-year Street Plan** [Rating, Preventative Maintenance, Resurfacing and Reconstruction, Project Identification, and Funding]
- **East River Street Reconstruction** [Addressing area storm water runoff] Consistent with Jaycee Park Master Plan
- **City Charter Revision**
- **Cooperative Development Agreement** for Future Growth with Oneida Charter Township in Concurrence with a Revised "Agreement for Sanitary Sewage Service and Water Supply"
- **Economic Development Advancement** [Industrial, Commercial, and Residential]

TIER 2
- **Placemaking and Public Space Initiatives**
- **Jaycee Park Master Plan Implementation**
- **Drinking Water Quality Improvements**
- **Sanitary Sewer** Inflow and Infiltration Reduction
- **Asset Management Plan** [Capital Improvement Plan]

TIER 3
- Walkability/Complete Streets/Sidewalks
- Widewalk/Riverwalk Loop
- Future Land Development with the Grand River as Focal Point
- Marketing
- Second Bridge over the Grand River
- Seven Islands Dam
- Public/Private and Public/Public Partnerships to Improve and/or Sustain Services

www.cityofgrandledge.com

WHAT CAN I DO ONLINE?

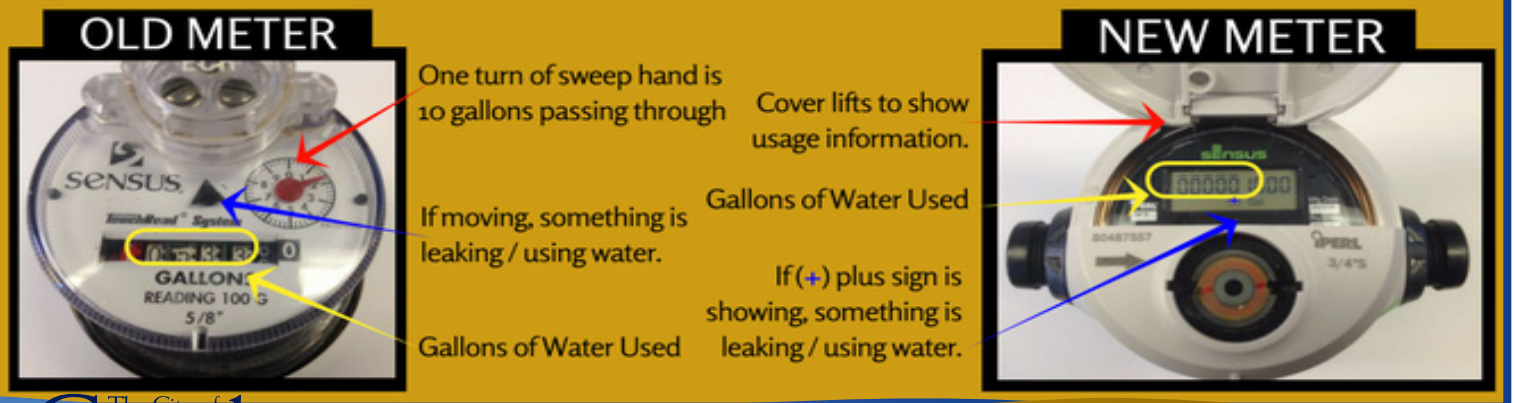
Find Information
- Facilities & Parks for Rent
- Things to Do
- Public Parking
- Budget and Financial Information
- Safe Routes to School

Learn About
- Area Services
- Local Street Improvements
- Economic Development
- Parks and Art in Grand Ledge
- Grand Ledge History
- Smart911 Emergency Services
- Utility Resources and FAQ's

Convenience
- Contact Us Forms
- Pay Water/Sewer Bills Online
- View Utility Usage and Billing History

Reading Water Meters

Find helpful information about understanding your water/sewer bill and FAQ's online at CityofGrandLedge.com



BE SMART. BE SEEN. BE SAFE.

PEDESTRIANS IN CROSSWALK

Pedestrians:

1. Stand clear of buses, hedges, parked cars, or other obstacles before crossing so drivers can see you.

2. Always walk on the sidewalk. If there is no sidewalk, walk facing traffic.

3. Don't assume vehicles will stop. Make eye contact with drivers, don't just look at the vehicle before you cross.

4. Cross streets only at marked crosswalks or intersections, if possible.

5. Watch for turning vehicles. Make sure the driver sees you and will stop for you.

6. Look across ALL the lanes you must cross before proceeding. Even if one motorist stops, do not presume drivers in other lanes can see you and will stop for you.

Drivers:

1. Cars stopped in the street may be allowing a pedestrian to cross. Be patient and use caution.

2. Don't assume pedestrians see you or that they will act predictably.

3. Pedestrians can be very hard to see in bad weather or at night. Keep a lookout and slow down if you can't see clearly.

4. You can encounter pedestrians anytime and anywhere, even in places where they are not supposed to be found.

5. When stopping at a crosswalk, stop two cars back so drivers in the other lanes can also see the pedestrian in time to stop.

6. Be especially careful around schools and in neighborhoods where children are active.

NEED SPACE TO HOST AN EVENT?

List of rental options, amenities, pricing, and calendar of availability at:
www.cityofgrandledge.com

BABY SHOWER
BIRTHDAY PARTY
BUSINESS RETREAT | MEETING
CLASS REUNION
CLUB ACTIVITY
FAMILY REUNION
GRADUATION PARTY
TEAM PRACTICE
WEDDING

Looking for indoor meeting space?
A gymnasium?
An outdoor setting?

Check out the unique rental options for select City Parks and Facilities!

The City of Grand Ledge

PARKS & RECREATION

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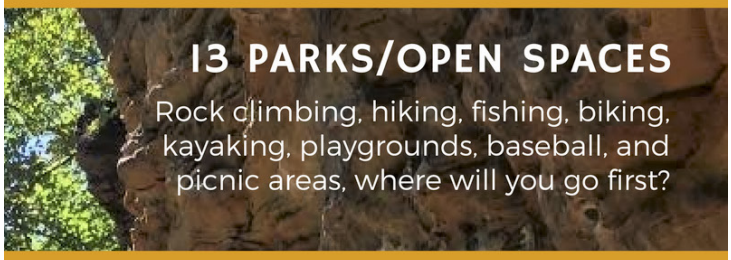

13 PARKS/OPEN SPACES

Rock climbing, hiking, fishing, biking, kayaking, playgrounds, baseball, and picnic areas, where will you go first?

110 ACRES OF PARK LAND

In 2016, 4.32 acres were added to our park inventory, positively affecting property values and attracting visitors.

9,820 FT OF WATERFRONT

Nearly 70% of the Grand River is accessible from one of our City parks, spectacular views are everywhere.

IMPROVED BOAT LAUNCH

Drop in a boat, kayak, or canoe and take in remarkable views of the iconic sandstone ledges.

NEW PARKS MASTER PLAN

With our 2017-2021 Parks Master Plan, we created a framework and priorities for the future of our park system.

PARADES+FESTIVALS+AN ISLAND

Come join the fun and see why we celebrate Grand Ledge - Naturally Grand!

RECYCLING & YARD WASTE
IN GRAND LEDGE
2017

Recycling is open to all Eaton County residents! You only need a pass for yard waste and composting.

CITY OF GRAND LEDGE/ONEIDA TOWNSHIP RECYCLING & COMPOST CENTER
- DROP-OFF
- $25.00 ANNUAL PASS
- YEAR-ROUND: WED. 3 PM - 7 PM & SAT. 8 AM - 4 PM

GRANGER: YARD WASTE
- CURBSIDE
- $46.80 QUARTERLY
- APRIL - NOVEMBER: WEEKLY ON TRASH PICK-UP DAY

WASTE MANAGEMENT: YARD WASTE
- CURBSIDE
- $57.89 QUARTERLY
- MAY- NOVEMBER: WEEKLY ON TRASH PICK-UP DAY

Plan Ahead for Any Emergency

Sign up for Smart911 so first responders will be aware of important information to help you when you call 9-1-1.

Smart911.com™
Sign up today. Because every second counts.

A free service:
Provided by your community

Private and secure:
You control your information

Saves time in an emergency:
When seconds count

Sign up and alert first responders of issues that impact your family:

Allergies (peanut, bees, etc.)
Alzheimer's Disease
Autism
Deaf/Hard of Hearing
Diabeties
Epilepsy
Heart Condition
Intellectual Disabilities
Opioid Addiction
Pets/Service Animals

Smart911.com™

Safe Exchange Zone

ONLINE BUY/SELL TRANSACTION AREA ■ SHARED CUSTODY EXCHANGE

Monday - Friday
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
517-627-2115

Grand Ledge Police Department ■ 310 Greenwood St. Grand Ledge, MI 48837

Business Expansion and Relocation

Land Split to Suit Over 100 acres available

LOOKING TO RELOCATE OR EXPAND YOUR BUSINESS?

Willis Industrial Park is conveniently located to accommodate any service/shipping needs by truck, train, or airplane.

ZONING: L-1 Light Industrial

UTILITIES: Access to industrial-grade water, sewer, electric, gas, and internet service

Contact Adam Smith at 517-627-2149 and find out how to have your business call Grand Ledge "home."

www.cityofgrandledge.com/Business

Grand Ledge Area District Library

News and Events

Tech 411

Need assistance with email, Facebook, or other social media? Would you like help with an *e*reader, downloading *e*books, audiobooks, movies, or music? Call the library to set up a session with a library staff member.

Crafting for a Cause

Put your knitting and crafting skills to work for the Grand Ledge Food Bank. Group will meet from 4-5:30pm on 4/20, 5/4, 5/18, 6/1, 6/15, 7/6, 7/20, 8/3, 8/17 at GLADL Main

Paws for Reading

Dogs love stories too! Practice reading aloud to a certified therapy dog. Call the library to register.

Weds. 6-7pm: 4/5, 4/19, 5/3, 5/17; Tues. 6-7pm: 6/6, 6/20, 7/18, 8/1, 8/15; Sats. 10:30-11:30am: 6/24, 7/22, 8/26

Youth Book Club

April's book is *Illuminae* by Amie Kaufman, the first in the Illuminae Files series. Copies available at the library. For 7th-12th graders.

April 26, 6-7pm at GLADL Main

Escape from the Stacks

Do you enjoy puzzles and like to support the library? Join the Friends of the Library Annual meeting and work with other patrons to solve a mystery. Tickets are $10 and include a one-year membership in the Friends. Light refreshments served.

April 22, 6:30-8pm at GLADL Main

Royal Victorian Tea Party

Enjoy tea and activities with a visit from royalty. Registration required.

May 6, 11am at GLADL Main

Teen Advisory Board

A fun, informal group meeting to brainstorm and plan events, services, and collections for teens and tweens.
Snacks served.

May 24, 6-7pm at GLADL Main

Summer Reading Program

Build a Better World and a Better You! Read to earn incentives no matter your age. Adults need to take time to enjoy a good book and kids need to avoid the summer academic slide. To get started, stop by one of our library locations and register for one of our programs – it's fast and easy. Reading logs and game boards allow you to log your reading to achieve goals. We have great prizes thanks to our local businesses and Friends!

June 1 – July 31

Building a Better World Chronicles Video Clips

The library would like to help preserve and share local stories to build connections between people and community. From June 1 – July 31 we will be sharing video clips of those who have been interviewed about their acts of kindness. If you would like more information, please call the library or email sapgrandledgelib@aol.com.

Meet the Machines:Kick-off

Stop in to celebrate the beginning of Summer Reading, stock up on reading material, and meet the machines that work and play in our community every day. Experience big and little machines and robots too!

June 9, 4-6pm at GLADL Main

Community Projects Palooza

Are you interested in the Free Little Libraries movement, or building a bat house, or how about vertical gardening? Learn to weld, code, and innovations in solar panels –all happening in our community. Come to an informational, hands-on meeting, and we'll take a walk to the Fledge (325 S. Clinton). Open to all ages.

June 10, 3-5pm at GLADL Main

The Storytellers

Come experience songs and stories and hear music from the Caribbean, West Africa, North America, and more. Don't miss this chance to hear didgeridoo and a berimbau too!

June 15, 6:30pm at Music in the Park

Build It/Grow It

Activities for all ages. Come grow and build with the library.

June 17, 12-3pm at JC Park during Yankee Doodle Days

Preschool Picnic Storytime

Picnic-style storytime for preschool aged children and their accompanying adult or caregiver. **Alex Thomas & Friends' puppets** will kick-off the first picnic story time.

Wednesdays, June 21 – August 9, 11am at GLADL Main

Babysitting Workshop

Earn a Pediatric CPR card, a Basic First Aid card and a Babysitting Course certificate. Registration, $30 class fee, and a sack lunch are required. Teens 12 years old and up.

June 27 , 10-4pm at GLADL Main

Book Builder Magical Comedy Show

Gear-up for Reading with Engineer Joel Tacey as he brings eight builder-rific books to life! Featuring goofy gadgets, dazzling magic, wacky stunts, and lots of audience participation.

July 10, 2pm at Watertown Charter Twp. Hall

Rick Kelly

You won't want to miss this show! Terrific showman! Fantastic singer! Super pianist! Rick's music spans Motown, Cajun-Zydeco, Reggae, classic R&B, to moving original ballads. Something for everyone!

July 13, 6:30pm at Music in the Park

Once Upon a Raptor from Kalamazoo Nature Center

Experience the living stories of four Michigan raptors from the Kalamazoo Nature Center. Come see and hear about these unique birds and explore how their stories are not so separate from our own.

July 17, 2pm at GL City Hall

Underwater ROV Workshop

STEM based education program using PVC to build an Underwater, Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV), with a focus on challenging hands on engineering and design experience. New challenges for those who attended in 2016! Register for one of two workshops based on age:

1st-3rd graders (9am-12pm)
4th graders and up (1pm-4pm)
August 14 at the GL Country Club

Main Library
131 E. Jefferson St., Grand Ledge
Monday–Thursday: 10am–9pm
Friday & Saturday: 10 am-5pm
Sunday: 1-5pm

Wacousta Library
13080 Wacousta Rd., Ste. D, Grand Ledge
Monday & Wednesday: 3-7pm
Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday: 10am-2pm

For more information about the library and the most up-to-date list of our programs and services, visit http://grandledge.lib.mi.us.

Delta Township District Library

The Delta Township District Library offers classes and programs for all ages year-round. Here are a few highlights for the upcoming spring season. For a full listing of programs, check our website at dtdl.org.

Spring Storytimes

Storytimes run from March 1– April 28

Stories & Crafts (ages 3-5) - Tuesdays, 10:30 am

Baby Time (birth-24 months) - Wednesdays, 10:30 am

Toddler Storytime (ages 18-36 months) - Thursdays, 10:30 am

Music & Movement Storytime (all ages) - Fridays, 10:30 am

Family Storytime (all ages) - Monthly on Thursdays, 6 pm (April 13)

Paws for Reading

Mondays, March 13, Apr. 3 & 10, 4 – 5 pm

Thursdays, March 16 & 23, April 6, 20 & 27, 6 – 7 pm

All ages. Practice your reading with a great listener - a certified therapy dog! This is a great opportunity for kids learning to read or struggling with reading (and those who love reading too!) to practice reading aloud. Kids can choose whatever they'd like to read and one of our friendly therapy dogs will sit and listen. Please stop by or call the Youth Desk (517-321-4014 x3) to sign up for a ten-minute reading time slot.

The Magic of Animals

Thursday, March 23, 6:30 – 7:30 pm

Ages 8-12. Do you love animal book series like Spirit Animals and Warriors? Join us to explore a menagerie of fantasy animals with games, crafts, and more.

Spring Break @ the Library

April 3-7

Looking for something to do during Spring Break? Come to the library for fun programs all week long.

April 3: Upcycled DIY Crafts – 10:30 – 12 pm. (all ages)

April 4: Game On! – 3 – 5 pm (ages 6-18)

April 5: Spring Carnival – 1 – 2:30 pm (all ages)

April 6: Legos – 2 – 3 pm (all ages)

April 7: Movie Matinee – 1 pm (all ages)

Teen Advisory Group Party

Friday, April 21, 5:30 – 7:30 pm

Ages 13-18. Get involved with DTDL's Teen Advisory Group (TAG). Tell us what you want to see for teens at the library, help us plan future programs, and learn about summer volunteer opportunities. Plus games, food, and prizes!

Super Smash Bros. Tournament

Saturday, April 22

10 am – 12:30 pm (ages 8-12)

1 – 3:30 pm (ages 13-18)

Compete for prizes in our Nintendo Wii U tournament. All skill levels are welcome. Participants can sign up in teams of two or as individuals and we'll pair you up. Please sign up by April 19 at the library's Youth Desk, online at dtdl.org/events, or by calling 517-321-4014 x3.

Autism Accessible Library Browsing

Saturday, May 13 , 9 – 10 am

All ages. The library will open one hour early for individuals with autism and their families to enjoy the library together in a neutral environment, including some low lighting areas. Therapy dogs will also be available to meet, read with, and pet. No registration required to attend. Contact Youth Services at 517-321-4014 x3 for more information.

I am Delta Photo Contest

Monday, May 2 – Saturday, June 3

Celebrate Delta Township by submitting your best Delta Township photos for our I Am Delta Photography Contest. Deadline to enter is Saturday, June 3. Photos will be displayed during June, and the winners will be chosen by popular vote. For more info, visit: dtdl.org/photo-contest.

DTDL Cook-Off: Pizza

Saturday, May 6, 1 – 2 pm

Roll out your dough and get your toppings ready for our 6th annual DTDL Cook-Off. The theme for 2017 is Pizza. Register by May 3 to enter a dish or just come for the tasting on May 6. Visit dtdl.org/cook-off for more information.

Aviation and WWI

Tuesday, April 18, 6 – 7:30 pm

World War I was the first major war to make heavy use of aerial combat. Commemorate the 100th anniversary of the U.S. entering WWI with a discussion about developments in aviation leading up to and during WWI, and the state of the U.S. as we entered the war led by Kevin Kenz, a 25-year volunteer at Kalamazoo's AirZoo. Presented with the Delta Township Historical Society.

Delta Township District Library
5130 Davenport Drive
Lansing, MI

HOURS
Monday–Thursday: 10am–8pm
Friday: 10am-6pm
Saturday: 10am-4pm

The Friends of the Library have a bookstore in the lower level.

HOURS
Monday-Thursday: 10:30am-7:30pm
Friday: 10:30am-5:30pm
Saturday: 10:30am-3:30pm

For more information about any of our programs and services, please call 517-321-4014 or visit http://dtdl.org

ACCOUNTING/TREASURER DEPARTMENT 323-8510
Water/Sewer Bills
Tax Collections
Dog Licenses

ASSESSING DEPARTMENT 323-8520
Property Information/Assessed Valuations

BUILDING DEPARTMENT 323-8530
Building, Electrical, Mechanical, Plumbing, Remodeling Permits
Sewer Capital Charges
Code Enforcement
Sign Permits

CLERK'S OFFICE 323-8500
Board of Trustee Information
Voter Registration and Elections
Passports
Recycling
Cemetery Lots

DELTA TOWNSHIP ACTIVITIES OFFICE 484-5600
50+ Programs (Senior Citizens Programs)
Aquatics

EATON COUNTY SHERIFF/DELTA PATROL 323-8480
Emergency: 911 Non-Emergency 372-8217

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT 323-8540
Sanitary Sewer and Water Location Information
Weed Ordinance Enforcement

FIRE DEPARTMENT 321-6622
Emergency: 911
Burning Permits
Fire Code Inspections

LIBRARY 321-4014
Books, Magazines, and Audio Books
Movies and Music

MANAGER'S OFFICE 323-8590
Administration, Budget, Personnel
Information Technology
FOIA Requests

PARKS, RECREATION & CEMETERIES DEPT. 323-8555
Athletics and Special Events
Community Education Classes
Park Shelters and Ball Fields
Facility Reservations

PLANNING DEPARTMENT 323-8560
Zoning Ordinance Enforcement
New Developments
Planning Commission
Economic Development

UTILITIES DEPARTMENT 323-8570
After-Hours Emergency 323-8570
Water/Sewer Problems

Back row (left to right): Dennis R. Fedewa (dfedewa@deltami.gov), Deana M. Newman (dnewman@deltami.gov), Andrea M. Cascarilla (acascarilla@deltami.gov) Karen Mojica (kmojica@deltami.gov) Front row (left to right): Supervisor Kenneth R. Fletcher (kfletcher@deltami.gov), Clerk Mary R. Clark (mclark@deltami.gov), Treasurer Howard A. Pizzo (hpizzo@deltami.gov)

Delta Township partnering with Eaton County Road Commission to install a light at Broadbent and Saginaw

Delta Township and Eaton County Road Commission (ECRC) have agreed on a cost sharing proposal to fund the intersection improvements at Broadbent and Saginaw required by the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT). MDOT authorized a traffic signal to be installed at Broadbent and Saginaw in April 2016, however indicated that they will no longer pay for intersection improvements when installing traffic signals. The improvements to Broadbent include widening the road and adding left turn lanes in order to facilitate the head-up turn lanes needed for the intersection. The total project is estimated to cost $200,000 and will be completed sometime this summer. It is expected that the intersection work will take approximately four weeks to complete with closures necessary on both sides of Broadbent for part of that time.

Mount Hope Park moves to Next Phase

The future development of Mount Hope Park is moving into the design and engineering phase for phase 1 and 2. In 2015 Delta Township purchased 60 acres for the use of a park next to 60 acres it already owned. A full conceptual plan was developed along with plans for phase 1 and phase 2 development. The Township also received a Land & Water Conservation Fund grant for the Phase 2 development in 2016. The first two phases will provide several soccer fields, four ball fields, restrooms, pavilion, playground equipment, parking, and infrastructure improvements for the entire park. Full pictures of the conceptual design can be found on the Delta Township website. The development of facilities in the western part of the township has been in discussion for nearly 20 years and the design and engineering represent the next step towards construction of the park. The design and engineering is expected to last until the fall of 2017 at which time the Township will solicit construction bids.

Canoe Launch – West Willow Highway

The Township received a grant from the Michigan National Resources Trust Fund for a new canoe launch on West Willow Highway (west of Nixon). The canoe launch is part of the Township's efforts to provide additional diverse recreational opportunities. Construction will likely be completed in 2018.

Delta Township 39'ers – 50+ Programs

The 39'ers is an active, energetic program serving people ages 50+. They offer a wide array of programs including exercise classes, cards & games, luncheons, trips, classes, health services, and much more. Exercise classes for all levels include yoga, chair exercise, Tai Chi, Jazzercise Lite, and Zumba. Trips include Detroit Tigers games, casino trips, mystery trips, Mackinac Island, and new ones each year. The games and cards offered are Euchre, Scrabble, Mah Jong, Bridge, Pinochle, Cribbage, and Bingo. Health services include chair massage, foot care, blood pressure, and blood sugar checks. Lunches are offered on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. The 39'ers are located in the Delta Township Enrichment Center, 4538 Elizabeth Road, with office hours Monday-Friday 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Visit the center and use the free treadmill, computers, and lending library. For more information or to receive the quarterly newsletter call 484-5600 or email ncombs@deltami.gov.

19th Annual Delta Rocks! Family Festival

Come to Sharp Park on Saturday, June 24 for a day of family fun. Everyone will have a great time participating in the many events which will include face painting, super sling shot, sports challenge, bubble booth, children's make-it-take-it craft booths, trackless train, petting zoo, concessions, games, bounce house, surfer, turbo tubs, 3D climbing wall, hoppy horses track, sports combo inflatable, music by a DJ, a stilt walker, business expo, non-profit area, concessions, and much more. Festival admission and parking are free as well as most activities, only a few of the will have a minimal fee. There will be a free shuttle running continuously from the back of the Lansing Mall near Best Buy to Sharp Park. The shuttle will run from 12 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. The festival takes place from 12-6 p.m. so plan on spending the day at Sharp Park.

For more information on how to participate in the business expo, non-profit area, or to become a sponsor or volunteer, please contact the Parks & Recreation Department at 323-8555.

49th Annual Fireworks

Join thousands of other area residents for the Independence Day celebration! A concession stand will be open for purchasing refreshments or you may bring your own picnic lunch, grill, or cooler. A permit is required for alcoholic beverages and one can be obtained at the Parks and Recreation Department at no charge. If you would like to become a sponsor please contact the Delta Township Parks and Recreation Department at 323-8555.

Friday, 7/3, Fireworks begin around 10 p.m. or whenever it gets dark!
Sharp Park - Free

Kid's Mud Run

Come on out to the 5th Annual Kid's Mud Run. Obstacles include a hay climb, over under walls, tires, balance beams, and several mud pits. One parent/adult runner will be included in the child's registration. The cost is $10 for Delta Township residents and $12 for non-residents. The fee includes the run, refreshments, race swag and a lot of mud. Register online by visiting www.deltami.gov/registration. Call 323-8555 for other registration options. Limited registrations will be available the day of the run at a fee of $15.

Saturday, 7/15, heat times start at 9 a.m. and run through 11:30 a.m.
Ages 5-15
Grand Woods Park - No refunds, Rain or Shine

Show & Tell Nature Walks

Join us for a series of participatory nature walks as we explore the plants and wildlife in Delta Township Parks. The walks will have a leader but we invite all walkers to be active participants and share their knowledge and expertise. Please bring field guides with you to enhance our experience, wear good walking shoes, and bring water. Walks will start promptly at the scheduled time, will last approximately an hour, and are suitable for the entire family. Children will be given a nature log to record their findings. Please check our magazine, website, and Delta Township's Facebook page for future dates.

Su, 4/30, 2 p.m.
Grand Woods Park – meet by shelter next to first parking area
Sa, 5/27, 10 a.m. – Hawk Meadow Park - Free

Touch a Truck Day

If you like trucks and cars then come on out for a great time. Kids young and old can touch, honk, and climb on the many vehicles that will be on display. Concessions will be available. If you have a truck or piece of equipment and would like to be included, please call 323-8555.

Saturday, 8/12, 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m.
Sharp Park - Free

Talk of the Township Community Newsletter

Get the latest news and information about Delta Township in our digital community newsletter "Talk of the Township". It includes important payment deadlines, tax information, voter information, news about township projects, and upcoming events. Each newsletter will be sent out the 4th Tuesday of each month.

Additionally, you may also receive occasional traffic, weather, and civil emergency alerts via email.

To get signed up, please visit bit.ly/talkofthetownship and fill out the online subscription form.

Delta Township Aquatics Program

The Delta Township Enrichment Center is home to the Aquatics Office. The pool is located at Waverly East Intermediate School (3131 West Michigan Avenue). Programs offered are: Arthritis Foundation Aquacise; Arthritis Plus; Splash Aerobics; Deep Water Aerobics; Aqua Zumba; lap, adult, and family swims; and swim lessons for both adults and children. For more information, please visit www.deltami.gov or call 484-5600.

Delta Township Parks & Recreation News

To register please visit www.deltami.gov/registration or call 323-8555 for more information.

Adult Coed Sand Volleyball Leagues

Leagues are 4 vs 4 – two males, two females. Teams provide their own volleyball and are taken on a first-come, first-served basis. For league rules and a team registration form please visit our website at ww.deltami.gov/parks.
Deadline: Friday, 4/21/17
Leagues: Tuesday or Wednesday
Season Begins: Tuesday, 5/2/17 or Wednesday, 5/3/17
Fee: $100/team (10 games)
Location: Sharp Park

Adult Coed Kickball Leagues

Adult coed kickball games are a good way to get together and have fun with your friends. Sign up your team of six or more players today! For complete league rules and a team registration form please visit our website www.deltami.gov/parks.
Deadline: Friday, 4/21/17
Leagues: Monday or Wednesday
Season Begins: Monday, 5/1/17 or Wednesday, 5/3/17
Fee: $150/team (10 games)
Location: Sharp Park and Delta Mills Park

Adult Fall Athletic Preview

Adult Fall Sand Volleyball – Tuesday or Wednesday, beginning Tuesday, 8/1/17 and Wednesday, 8/2/17. League runs eight weeks.

Adult Fall Kickball – Monday or Wednesday, beginning Monday, 8/21/17 and Wednesday, 8/23/17. All games are doubleheaders and run for five weeks.

Adult Fall Softball – Leagues run Monday-Thursday, beginning the week of 8/28/17. All games are doubleheaders and run for five weeks.

Youth Athletics

To register please visit www.deltami.gov/registration or call 323-8555 for more information.

Youth T-Ball

Choose the Monday/Wednesday or the Tuesday/Thursday program. Starts the week of June 5 and runs for six weeks.
Deadline: Friday, 4/28/17
Age: 4, 5-6 as of 6/5/17
Fee: $40 Res/$45 Non-Res
$10 late fee after 4/28/17 if space permits (late fees are not refundable)
$15 for athletic jersey if needed
Locations:
4 year olds – Colt, Delta Mills, Grand Woods
5/6 year olds – Colt, Delta Mills, Grand Woods

Youth Girls Softball - Coach Pitch

Program runs on Mondays and Wednesdays. Starts on June 5 and runs for 6 weeks.
Deadline: Friday, 4/28/17
Age: 6-8 or 9-11 as of 6/5/17
Fee: $40 Res/$45 Non-Res
$10 late fee after 4/28/17 if space permits (late fees are not refundable)
$15 for athletic jersey if needed
Location: Our Savior Lutheran

Youth Boys Baseball – Ages 6/7 Coach Pitch

Tuesdays and Thursdays. Starts on June 6 and runs for 6 weeks.
Deadline: Friday, 4/28/17
Age: 6/7 as of 6/6/17
Fee: $40 Res/$45 Non-Res
$10 late fee after 4/28/17 if space permits (late fees are not refundable)
$15 for athletic jersey if needed
Location: Our Savior Lutheran

Youth Boys Baseball – Ages 8/9 Machine Pitch

Tuesdays and Thursdays. Starts June 6 and runs for 6 weeks.
Deadline: Friday, 4/28/17
Age: 8/9 as of 6/6/17
Fee: $40 Res/$45 Non-Res
$10 late fee after 4/28/17 if space permits (late fees are not refundable)
$15 for athletic jersey if needed
Location: Our Savior Lutheran

Youth Golf Lessons

Golf balls are furnished, but participants will need to supply their own clubs. Participant will receive a green fee pass (9 holes) for two players that can be used any time after the golf lessons are completed. PGA certified instructors provided by Grand Ledge Country Club. Ages 5-13 as of first day of lesson. $40 per session.
Days: Mondays & Wednesdays
Times: Ages 5-8: 9-10:15 a.m.; Ages 9-13: 10:30-11:45 a.m.
Dates: Session 1: 6/12/17-6/28/17; Session 2: 7/10/17-7/26/17;
Location: Grand Ledge Country Club – 5811 St Joe Hwy, Grand Ledge, MI 48837 – 627-2495

Youth Tennis Lessons

Participants must bring their own racquet and water bottle, balls will be provided.
Session 1: Tuesday & Thursday, 6/15/17-7/6/17
Session 2: Tuesday & Thursday, 7/18/17-8/3/17
Ages: 5-7 year olds – 9 a.m.
8-11 year olds – 10 a.m.
12-15 year olds – 11 a.m.
Fee Per Session: $40 Res/$45 Non-Res
Location: Sharp Park Tennis Courts, 1401 Elmwood Road

Youth Basketball Camp

High intensity, multi-tasking drills will be used to increase mental and physical speed of play. Basketball University will supply the instructors and equipment. No refunds after 5/9/17.
Deadline: Tuesday, 5/9/17
Camp Dates: Wednesdays, 5/10/17, 5/17/17, 5/24/17, 6/7/17
Grade/Time: 1st/2nd – 5:45 p.m.
3rd/4th – 6:45 p.m.
5th/6th – 7:45 p.m.
Fee: $30 Res/$35 Non-Res
Location: Waverly East Gymnasium

Youth Fall Soccer

Practices/Games: Practices begin the week of 8/21/17. Games take place on Saturdays, starting 9/9/17 and run for six weeks.
Deadline: Friday, 7/21/17
Ages: 4-10 as of 9/9/17
Fee: $40 Res/$45 Non-Res
$10 late fee after 7/21/17 if space permits (late fees are not refundable)
$15 for athletic jersey if needed
Locations: Micro 4x4 (4-10 year olds) & Traditional (4-7 year olds) – Our Savior Lutheran
Traditional (8-10 year olds) – Delta Mills

Itty Bitty Kickers

Practices/Games: Scheduled within a 40-minute time block on Saturdays starting 9/9/17 for 5 weeks.
Deadline: Friday, 7/21/17
Age: 3 years old as of 9/9/17
Fee: $25 Res/$30 Non-Res
$10 late fee after 7/21/17, if space permits (late fees are not refundable)
$15 for athletic jersey if needed
Location: Our Savior Lutheran

Youth NFL Flag Football

Practices/Games: Practices begin the week of 8/21/17. Games begin 9/9/17 and run for six weeks on Saturdays. A NFL jersey is included in the fee.
Deadline: Friday, 7/28/17
Grades: K-5th
Fee: $45 Res/$50 Non-Res
$10 late fee after 7/28/17 if space permits (late fees are not refundable)
Locations: Our Savior Lutheran

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From the School Board President

The mission of Grand Ledge Public Schools is to make students our top priority in all decisions. Naturally, academic achievement is the first to come to mind, but the physical health and safety of our students is just as important.

The district has a number of protocols in place to ensure our students are safe and secure while in our care.

There are crossing guards for our students who walk to school and school busses that are regularly maintained and inspected annually by the Michigan State Police for our students who live outside walking distance. In addition, we have equipped our busses with outside cameras to capture an image of those who choose to run the STOP arm sign while students are being picked up or dropped off thereby ensuring they can be issued a hefty ticket for such blatant disregard for our students' safety. Swing arms were also installed on the front of busses so bus drivers can see our tiniest students before the bus moves to its next location.

We follow strict guidelines in Michigan on maintenance requirements of district properties by using non-toxic fertilizers that are not harmful to our students and/or the environment.

Our food service facilities are regularly inspected by state officials to ensure meals are prepared in a clean environment. And, our drinking water is tested annually for lead and other contaminants.

Each school building is required to conduct fire and tornado drills to ensure our students, and staff, are well prepared. Additionally, we had to implement lockdown procedures to prepare everyone in the event of an emergency. We are fortunate that Grand Ledge Public Schools has always had an excellent partnership with local and county first responders who provide immediate assistance in the event of an emergency.

So, as you can see, Grand Ledge Public Schools knows a safe learning environment is an essential component to student academic success and we work tirelessly to ensure our buildings remain healthy and safe.

Please be assured our students' safety is first and foremost.

Regards,

Kim Mulvenna, President

Grand Ledge Public Schools Board of Education