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Building & Improving Our Community . . .





## On the Cover:

Student actors perform in the recent Grand Ledge High School production of *The Lion King Jr.* (Photo courtesy of Dianna Shaltry Photography.) Jen Bauman's photo of "Ledges Trail" at Oak Park. The construction of Delta Township's new Mount Hope Park, scheduled to open July 2019.



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Thank you! Thank you! Thank you for investing in Grand Ledge Public Schools and truly making this a Community Committed to Excellence!

Both bond proposals passed on November 6, 2018, and even with the resulting millage increase, Grand Ledge Public Schools will have the second lowest millage rate in the region. That is correct - investing in our children and our schools while still maintaining a great low tax rate!

In the months since the election, designing and planning meetings have been the norm across the district. We have had numerous meetings with GMB Architecture & Engineering and Clark Construction. As was presented, the bond improvements will happen in three phases over the next nine years. Phase 1 will focus on transitioning Beagle into a 7th and 8th-grade building and expanding Holbrook to become a kindergarten through 4th-grade elementary school. Groundbreaking for Phase 1 is scheduled to begin late in the fall of 2019. Completing those two projects will allow us to implement the district's grade restructuring initiative currently scheduled for the 2020-2021 school year.

In order to pay for these construction projects, the district had to sell bonds. The sale of our bonds for Phase 1 of the improvements went exceptionally well. Grand Ledge Public Schools sold \$51,000,000 in bonds, but in the first 90 minutes we received orders for more than three times that amount. Additionally, because of the great demand for our bonds, we were able to negotiate better terms, allowing the community to pay even less for the bond improvements.

This "strong sale" is a direct result of the District's excellent credit rating created by consistent and well-established good financial stewardship. This "strong sale" also resulted in our interest rate being approximately .5% lower than what was projected to the treasury — creating what will be significant savings for our community over the 26-year term of the bonds.

You can find more information about the bond improvements on pages 4-7 of this INSIDER or by visiting the district's website at [www.glcomets.net/bonds](http://www.glcomets.net/bonds).

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# School Information

## 2019 Board of Education Meeting Schedule

Meeting Date	Time	Site	Purpose
April 8	6:00 p.m.	Admin. Conf. Room	Regular Meeting
April 30*	6:00 p.m.	Eaton RESA	County-Wide Board Meeting
May 13*	6:00 p.m.	Sawdon Board Room	Regular Meeting
June 7	7:00 p.m.	MSU Breslin Center	GL High School Graduation
June 10	6:00 p.m.	Admin. Conf. Room	Work Session
June 24	6:00 p.m.	Sawdon Board Room	Regular Meeting
July 15*	6:00 p.m.	Sawdon Board Room	Regular Meeting
August 12	6:00 p.m.	Admin. Conf. Room	Work Session
August 26	6:00 p.m.	Sawdon Board Room	Regular Meeting
September 9	6:00 p.m.	Admin. Conf. Room	Work Session
September 23	6:00 p.m.	Sawdon Board Room	Regular Meeting
October 14	6:00 p.m.	Admin. Conf. Room	Work Session
October 28	6:00 p.m.	Sawdon Board Room	Regular Meeting
November 25*	6:00 p.m.	Sawdon Board Room	Regular Meeting
December 9*	6:00 p.m.	Sawdon Board Room	Regular Meeting
January 13, 2020*	6:00 p.m.	Sawdon Board Room	Organizational Meeting

\*Only one meeting in May due to graduation, in July due to summer recess, and November and December due to holidays.  
 \*Due to the January and April County-Wide Board Meeting, there will only be one meeting in January and April.



The Grand Ledge Public Schools Board of Education, pictured together after its February 25, 2019 regular meeting. Back Row (standing): Sara Clark Pierson, Trustee; Jarrod Smith, Trustee; Jonathan Shiflett, Trustee; Kim Mulvenna, Trustee. Front Row (seated): Ben Cwayna, Secretary; Denise DuFort, Vice President; Patrick McKennon, President; Dr. Brian Metcalf, Superintendent

## 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](mailto: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](http://www.glcomets.net).

# Thank you for passing the bond proposals!



## PROPOSAL 1 - SCHOOL IMPROVEMENTS



## PROPOSAL 2 - COMMUNITY, ATHLETICS, & FINE ARTS IMPROVEMENTS



### What were the Election Results for Proposal 1 - School Improvements?

**9,284 YES votes**

**6,454 NO votes**



### What were Election Results for Proposal 2 - Community, Athletics, & Fine Arts?

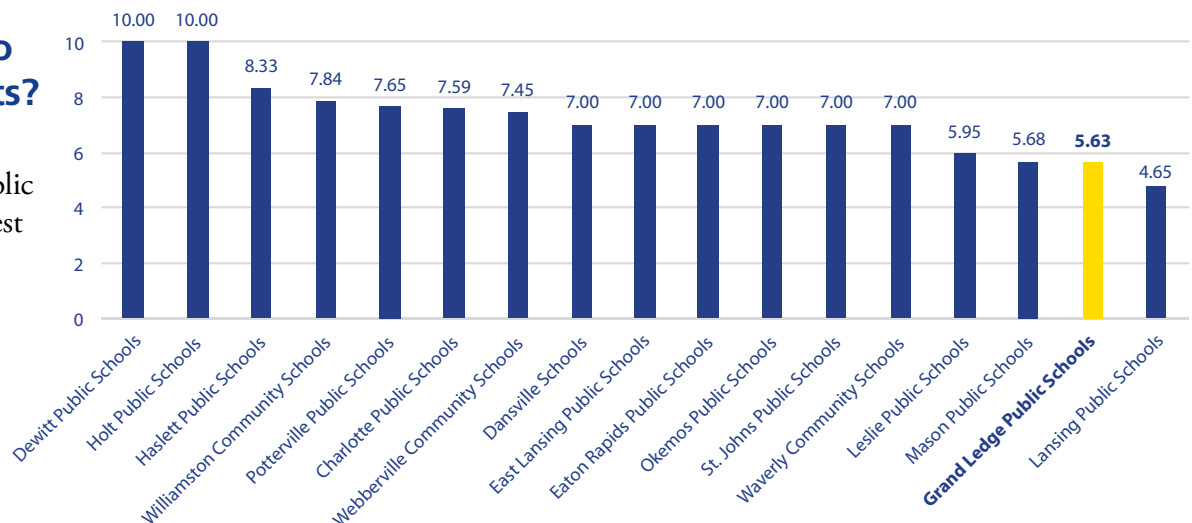
**8,345 YES votes**

**7,364 NO votes**



### How Does Grand Ledge Public Schools Debt Tax Rate Compare to Neighboring Districts?

After passing both bond proposals, Grand Ledge Public Schools still has the 2<sup>nd</sup> lowest debt tax millage rate.



### How much will my taxes increase?

Since both Proposal One and Proposal Two were approved, the first year's debt millage rate is expected to increase by approximately 1.44 mills over the prior year's debt millage rate. This equals approximately an additional \$72.00 per year for each \$100,000 in market value of your home.

MARKET VALUE	TAXABLE* VALUE	COST/ YEAR	COST/ MONTH	COST/ DAY
\$100,000	\$50,000	\$27.50	\$6.00	\$ .20
\$200,000	\$100,000	\$144.00	\$12.00	\$ .39
\$300,000	\$150,000	\$216.00	\$18.00	\$ .59

To determine your specific tax impact, please use the confidential tax calculator at [www.glcomets.net/bonds](http://www.glcomets.net/bonds)





# Overview of Bond Improvements

## PROPOSAL ONE School Improvements

Proposal One was developed to create **SMARTER, STRONGER, SAFER** Grand Ledge Public Schools



Proposal One will provide \$118,640,000 for district-wide building and grounds improvements that would address identified and ongoing building issues and would support the district's grade restructuring initiative.



Create  
**SMARTER**  
Schools

- Start district's grade restructuring initiative
- Build additional classrooms
- Improve technology for students & staff



Create  
**STRONGER**  
Schools

- Upgrade critical needs
- Increase operational efficiencies
- Replace roofs as needed



Create  
**SAFER**  
Schools

- Provide secure entrances at all schools
- Improve traffic flow
- Replace aging bus fleet as needed



## PROPOSAL TWO Community, Athletics, & Fine Arts Improvements

Proposal Two will provide \$29,485,000 for athletic and fine arts building and grounds improvements designed for district and community use:

- Improving fine arts spaces at the high school by adding a main lobby and support spaces
- Constructing a new competition pool, new community pool, and support spaces
- Remodeling the old pool for alternative community and athletic uses
- Constructing a new community walking track
- Improving athletic fields and support spaces

## What is the District's Grade Restructuring Initiative?



The grade restructuring made possible by passing the bond proposals will have many positive effects. The grade restructuring initiative is set to begin in the 2020-2021 school year.

Creating K-4th grade elementary schools will mean fewer students in buildings. Kindergartners will start at their neighborhood elementary school, likely the same one where older siblings attend, and not have to transition elsewhere after their first year.

Creating a 5th-6th grade intermediate school will provide flexibility in grouping students for instruction and afford an opportunity for broader curriculum offerings, possibly creating advanced classes along with band and choir. Students will begin to transition away from self-contained elementary methods of instruction to more departmentalized, secondary-school methods.

Transitioning Beagle to a middle school for all 7th-8th grade students will create a secondary school campus with proximity to the high school. Both middle school and high school students can take advantage of the broader curriculum offerings and student services

## What are the Guiding Principles for GLPS Bond Improvements?

- Equity among elementary facilities
- Efficient & long-term affordability
- Adaptable for the future
- Community access to facilities

## For more information

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# Three Phases for Bond Improvements

## Grand Ledge Learn To Swim Program

For more information regarding classes being offered, class descriptions and to register, please visit the Aquatics page at [grandledgecomets.org](http://grandledgecomets.org) (click on the Community Rec tab).

### SUMMER SWIM LESSON OFFERINGS

**Session 1 Registration Begins: 5/19 @ 9am**

#### Session 1

June 10<sup>th</sup> - June 20<sup>th</sup>

Monday - Thursday Mornings

4 days per week for 2 weeks (8 Classes)

**Session 2 Registration Begins: 6/28 @ 9am**

#### Session 2

July 8<sup>th</sup> - July 18<sup>th</sup>

Monday - Thursday Mornings

4 days per week for 2 weeks (8 Classes)

**Session 3 Registration Begins: 7/19 @ 9am**

#### Session 3

August 5<sup>th</sup> - August 15<sup>th</sup>

Monday - Thursday Mornings

4 days per week for 2 weeks (8 Classes)

**Evening Program Registration Begins: 5/19 @ 9am**

#### Evening Swim Lessons

June 10<sup>th</sup> - June 27<sup>th</sup>

Tuesday & Thursday

2 days per week for 3 weeks (6 Classes)

#### Water Exercise

June 11<sup>th</sup> - June 27<sup>th</sup>

Tuesday & Thursday

6 Classes

### FALL SWIM LESSON OFFERINGS

**Fall Registration Begins: 8/16 @ 9am**

#### Wednesday Evening Lessons

September 4<sup>th</sup> - October 23<sup>rd</sup>

Once a week for 8 weeks (8 Classes)

#### Saturday Lessons

September 7<sup>th</sup> - October 26<sup>th</sup>

Once a week for 8 weeks (8 Classes)

#### Water Exercise

September 4<sup>th</sup> - October 23<sup>rd</sup>

8 Classes

#### Open Swim

Saturdays Afternoon

September 7<sup>th</sup> - October 26<sup>th</sup>

Exact Time TBA

## Why are the bond improvements being completed in three phases?

- Keeps millage rate low
- Maximizes planning time
- Provides adequate time for construction
- Adds technology in all three phases
- Adds buses & transportation improvements in all three phases



### Phase 1



#### Major Projects for Phase 1

- Transition to Beagle Middle School for Grades 7-8
- Transition to Holbrook Elementary for Grades K-4
- Build New Competition Pool & New Community Pool
- Add M-43 Connection

### Phase 2



#### Major Projects for Phase 2

- Improvements at Grand Ledge High School for Grades 9-12
- Build a New Wacousta Elementary for Grades K-4
- Improvements at Delta Center Elementary for Grades K-4
- Remodel Old Pool into Walking Track & Multipurpose Space

### Phase 3



#### Major Projects for Phase 3

- New Dave & Betty Morris Building (completed by 2025)
- Improvements to Hayes Intermediate School for Grades 5-6
- Improvements to Willow Ridge Elementary for Grades K-4
- Improvements to Neff Early Childhood Center

# Phase 1 of Bond Improvements

## Phase 1



Phase 1 will focus on Beagle and Holbrook so the district's restructuring initiative can begin in the 2020-2021 school year



## Transition to Beagle Middle School

Beagle will have a 16-classroom wing added to it in order to accommodate all the students in 7th and 8th grade. A secure entry will be created for the building. The kitchen, serving area, and cafeteria will be remodeled. The gym will be enlarged, plus a new band room and new choir room will be added. There will also be mechanical and electrical system upgrades for efficiency along with restroom and technology infrastructure upgrades.

## Add M-43 Connection

A connecting road will be built from M-43 to our secondary campus of Beagle Middle School and Grand Ledge High School. It will be designed to improve traffic flow as well as help with drop-off and pick-up. Some challenges in building this road are Michigan Department of Transportation bureaucracy, access to a GLPS Operations building, and relocating an athletic facility.



## Transition to Holbrook Elementary

Holbrook will have eight outdated classrooms remodeled and eight new classrooms added. A secure entry will be created for the building. Parking and drives to support both buses and parents will be constructed. A multipurpose room will be added. There will also be mechanical and electrical system upgrades for efficiency along with technology infrastructure upgrades.

## Competition & Community Pool

A portion of Proposal Two is for building a new cold-water competition pool, a new warm-water community pool, and support spaces. The decision was made to begin the pool project in Phase 1 because construction was already going to be happening at Beagle. The competition pool will have 8-lanes so it can be used for league meets and state tournament events.

## Phase 1 Planning & Groundbreaking

Numerous planning and design meetings have happened since the November 6 election, and groundbreaking for Phase 1 is scheduled for the late fall in 2019.

## For more information

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## SPRING/SUMMER LEAGUES

### Youth Volleyball Clinic

Current 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade (2018/2019 school year)  
This clinic is for girls in the 3<sup>rd</sup> thru 6<sup>th</sup> grade. The 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.

**Dates:** April 22<sup>nd</sup> – May 14<sup>th</sup> (Monday's & Tuesday's – 8 sessions)

**Times:** 5:30-6:30(3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup>) - 6:30-7:30(5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>)

**Fee:** \$50 (includes a t-shirt)

**Location:** High School Main Gym

### Coed T-Ball Leagues

**Grade Determination** ~ Grade you are currently in for the 2018/2019 school year. 4 years old as of 6/10/19.

#### 4 Yr. Olds & Kindergarten

This program runs twice a week for 5 weeks. The first 2 weeks are practices and the last 3 weeks are games. We offer 2 leagues: Monday/Wednesday OR Tuesday/Thursday.

**Practices Start** ~ Week of June 10<sup>th</sup>

**Games Start** ~ Week of June 24<sup>th</sup>

**Registration Fee** ~ \$45 (includes a team jersey & hat)

**Registration Deadline** ~ May 5<sup>th</sup>

### Boy's Baseball Leagues

**Grade Determination** ~ Grade you are currently in for the 2018/2019 school year

#### Machine-Pitch (1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> Grade)

This program runs twice per week on Monday's & Wednesday's. The first 3 weeks are practices, followed by 4 weeks of games and concluding with an end of the season tournament.

**Practices Start** ~ May 29<sup>th</sup>

**Games Start** ~ June 17<sup>th</sup>

**Registration Fee** ~ \$45 (includes a team jersey & hat)

**Registration Deadline** ~ April 22<sup>nd</sup>

#### Kid-Pitch (3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Grade)

This program runs twice per week on Tuesday's & Thursday's. The first 3 weeks are practices, followed by 4 weeks of games and concluding with an end of the season tournament. All games will be played at the Bridge Field.

**Practices Start** ~ May 28<sup>th</sup>

**Games Start** ~ June 18<sup>th</sup>

**Registration Fee** ~ \$45 (includes a team jersey & hat)

**Registration Deadline** ~ April 22<sup>nd</sup>

#### Kid-Pitch (5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Grade)

This program runs on Monday's & Wednesday's. The first 3 weeks are practices, followed by 4 weeks of games and concluding with an end of the season tournament. All games will be played at the Bridge Field.

**Practices Start** ~ May 29<sup>th</sup>

**Games Start** ~ June 17<sup>th</sup>

**Registration Fee** ~ \$45 (includes a team jersey & hat)

**Registration Deadline** ~ April 22<sup>nd</sup>

### Girl's Softball Leagues

**Grade Determination** ~ Grade you are currently in for the 2018/2019 school year

#### Coach-Pitch (1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> Grade) & (3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Grade)

These programs run on Monday's & Wednesday's. The first 3 weeks are practices, followed by 4 weeks are games and concluding with an end of season tournament. The 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> grade games will be held on the GL Freshman Softball Field and the 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> grade games will be held on the GL JV Softball Field.

**Practices Start** ~ May 29<sup>th</sup>

**Games Start** ~ June 17<sup>th</sup>

**Registration Fee** ~ \$45 (includes a team jersey & hat)

**Registration Deadline** ~ April 22<sup>nd</sup>

## SUMMER CAMPS

### Summer Track & Field

*Ages 4 - 50+ (Open to all ages)*

This program is held at the Grand Ledge Track located at Beagle Elementary. All 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 (click on the Community Rec tab)

**Practices:** (Mondays) ~ June 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>th</sup>, July 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>

**Meet Line Up:** (Wednesdays) ~ June 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>, July 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>

**Fee:** \$5 walk-in's per meet or practice / \$10 for July 24<sup>th</sup> meet

• \$50 for the entire season including July 24<sup>th</sup> meet

### Boy's Basketball Camp

This camp is for boys entering grades K-8 in the fall of 2019 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 advance. Instruction will be provided for boys looking to develop and refine their 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.

**Grades:** Kindergarten – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

**Dates:** June 24<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> (Monday-Thursday)

**Times:** 9-10am (K-2<sup>nd</sup>), 10:30am-12:30pm (3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>), 1-3pm (7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup>)

**Fee:** \$50 (includes a t-shirt), \$55 walk-in (t-shirt not guaranteed)

**Location:** High School Main & Auxiliary Gym

### High School Boy's Basketball Program Camp

**Grades:** 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> (2018/2019 school year)

**Dates:** June 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** 3:00-5:00 pm

**Fee:** \$30

**Location:** High School Main & Auxiliary Gym

### Girl's Basketball Camp

The Grand Ledge Girls Basketball Summer Camp is open to girls entering Grades K-8 in the Fall of 2019. The camp will be led by GLHS Girls Varsity Coach Beth Perez, with assistance from other GL coaches and current players. This camp is designed for players of all abilities. Focus will be on all player's basketball skills, including shooting, passing, dribbling, rebounding, defense and scrimmages.

**Grades:** Kindergarten – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade (2019/2020 school year)

**Dates:** June 17<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> (Monday-Thursday)

**Times:** 9-10am (K-2<sup>nd</sup>), 10:30am-12:30pm (3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>), 1-3pm (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>)

**Fees:** K-2<sup>nd</sup> ~ \$35 (includes a t-shirt), \$40 walk-in (t-shirt not guaranteed)

3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> ~ \$50 (includes a t-shirt), \$55 walk-in (t-shirt not guaranteed)

**Location:** High School Main & Auxiliary Gym

### Boy's Baseball Camp

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, currently in 2nd through 8th grades of abilities from beginning level to the experienced player. The coaches along with current and former players will help develop their fundamental skills and teach them 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.

**Grades:** 2<sup>nd</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade (Current Grade 2018/2019 school year)

**Dates:** June 10<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> (Monday-Friday)

**Times:** 10:00am – 2:00pm

**Fee:** \$80 (includes a t-shirt)

**Location:** Gorman Baseball Field

### Girl's Softball Camp

Open to girls entering 1st through 8th grades in the fall of 2019. Will be led by coach Pat Malloy with assistance from other GL coaches, current and past players. The camp is designed for players of all abilities, from the beginning level to the experienced player. Instruction will be provided for girls looking to develop their fundamental softball skills. Focus will be on all player's skills including; batting, fielding, throwing, catching, etc.

**Grades:** 1<sup>st</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade (2019/2020 school year)

**Dates:** June -24<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> (Monday-Thursday)

**Times:** 9:00am – 12:00pm

**Fee:** \$65 (includes a t-shirt)

**Location:** High School Softball Fields

### Lacrosse Camp

The GL varsity lacrosse coaches and players will be conducting this great camp. Please bring a lacrosse stick if you have one.

**Grades:** 4<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade (2019/2020 school year)

**Dates:** July 16<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> (Tuesday – Thursday)

**Times:** Girl's Camp ~ 5:00-7:00 pm

Boy's Camp ~ 7:00-9:00 pm

**Fee:** \$50 (t-shirt included)

**Location:** GLHS Turf Stadium



# Grand Ledge Community Recreation

## Soccer Camp

The Grand Ledge Soccer Club will host their 16th annual summer soccer camp. The coaching staff and players from Lansing United will conduct the week long camp.

**Ages:** 3 years old – 8<sup>th</sup> grade (3 yrs. old as of 7/22/19 & grade for 2019/2020 school year)

**Dates:** July 22<sup>nd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> /26<sup>th</sup>

### Camp Times:

1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> Grade: 9:00-11:45am (Mon-Fri)

5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade: 1:00-3:45pm (Mon-Fri)

3-6 year olds: 4:00-5:00pm (Mon-Thur)

### Fees:

\$30 – 3 – 6 year olds (t-shirt included)

\$80 – 1<sup>st</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade (t-shirt included)

**Location:** GLHS Turf Stadium

## Volleyball Readiness Camp

The camp will be led by GL volleyball coaching staff with assistance from GL players.

This camp is designed to go over necessary skills to prepare for the middle school season.

**Grades:** 7<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade (as of 2019/2020 school year)

**Dates:** July 10<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> (Wednesday – Friday)

**Time:** 10:00am-12:00pm

**Fee:** \$50

**Location:** High School Main Gym

## Wrestling Camp

This camp is run by the GL Varsity Head Coach, Steve Delaney and staff. Camp will include wrestling specific games, team bonding, live drills and motivational talks from Coach Delaney.

**Ages:** 5-12 years old (5 years old as of August 6, 2019)

**Dates:** August 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> (Tuesday - Thursday)

**Time:** 9:00am-12:00pm

**Fee:** \$45 (t-shirt included)

**Location:** High School Wrestling Room

## Football Camp

This camp is run by the GL Varsity Head Coach, Joe Byra, his coaching staff and high school players. Camp will be geared towards each age group. 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade participants will receive instruction in the fundamentals of offensive positions including proper blocking technique, proper ball security, passing and receiving. On defense the focus will be on mastering a proper stance for each position, creating takeaways as well as safe and effective tackling form.

**Grade:** K-8<sup>th</sup> Grade (Grade as of 2019/2020 school year)

**Dates:** July 29<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> (Monday-Wednesday)

**Time:** 9-10am (K-3<sup>rd</sup>), 10am-11:30am (4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>), 12-2pm (7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup>)

**Fee:** \$50 (t-shirt included)

**Location:** GLHS Turf Stadium

## Tennis Camp

The GL Tennis coaches and players will be conducting this great camp. Please bring a tennis racket if you have one.

**Grades:** 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade (2019/2020 school year)

**Dates:** June 17<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> (Monday – Friday)

**Times:** 6:00-8:00 pm

**Fee:** \$50 (t-shirt included)

**Location:** GLHS Tennis Courts

## FALL LEAGUES

### Youth Flag Football

**Kindergarten – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade**  
(as of 2019/2020 school year)

#### We offer 4 leagues:

K/1<sup>st</sup> Grade ~ 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade ~ 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade ~ 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> Grade

All girls and boys from grades K-5 in the fall of 2019 are eligible to participate. Grand Ledge flag football team jersey and flag belt are included in the registration fee. All games will be held on Sundays at the High School Community Stadium Turf Field!

**Practices Start** ~ Week of August 26<sup>th</sup>

**Games Start** ~ Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup>

**Registration Fee** ~ \$45 (includes a team jersey)

**Registration Deadline** ~ July 28<sup>th</sup>

\$10 Late Fee After 7/28 (Late registrations will be accepted if space permits)

### Youth Fall Soccer

**Mini Comets – 3 & 4 year olds**  
(Age as of 8/26/19)

This coed beginner program will introduce your child to the basics of soccer. The first 25 minutes will be an instructional practice followed by a 30-minute game. This league plays 5 on 5 and uses a size 3 soccer ball. All practices/games are held on Saturday mornings at Our Savior Lutheran.

**Practice/Games Start** ~ September 7<sup>th</sup>

**Registration Fee** ~ \$45 (includes a team jersey)

**Registration Deadline** ~ July 28<sup>th</sup>

\$10 Late Fee After 7/28 (Late registrations will be accepted if space permits)

**Little Comets - Kindergarten / 1<sup>st</sup> Grade**  
(as of 2019/2020 school year)

This coed program will focus on teaching the fundamentals of the game including shooting, dribbling, passing and learning soccer field positions. This league plays 5 v 5 and uses a size 4 soccer ball. Games will be held on Saturday's at Hayes Middle School or Our Savior Lutheran. You'll have one practice per week (day, time & location chosen by volunteer coach).

**Practices Start** ~ Week of August 26<sup>th</sup>

**Games Start** ~ Saturday, September 7<sup>th</sup>

**Registration Fee** ~ \$45 (includes a team jersey)

**Registration Deadline** ~ July 28<sup>th</sup>

\$10 Late Fee After 7/28 (Late registrations will be accepted if space permits)

**Junior Comets - 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> Grade**  
(as of 2019/2020 school year)

This coed program will focus on the fundamentals including shooting, dribbling, passing and learning soccer field positions. This league plays 7 v 7 and uses a size 4 soccer ball. Games will be held on Saturday's at Hayes Middle School or Our Savior Lutheran. You'll have one practice per week for an hour (day, time & location chosen by volunteer coach).

**Practices Start** ~ Week of August 26<sup>th</sup>

**Games Start** ~ Saturday, September 7<sup>th</sup>

**Registration Fee** ~ \$45 (includes a team jersey)

**Registration Deadline** ~ July 28<sup>th</sup>

\$10 Late Fee After 7/28 (Late registrations will be accepted if space permits)

## Girls Recreation Basketball

**Kindergarten - 2nd Grade Clinic**  
(as of 2019/2020 school year)

This girl's clinic is designed to teach the basics of basketball in a group setting. The Grand Ledge Girl's Varsity Basketball Coach Beth Perez along with the High School Players will be leading the clinic.

**Clinic Dates:** Saturday's 10/26 - 11/23 (5 weeks)

### Clinic Times:

Kindergarten 9:00 am - 10:00 am

1st Grade 10:00 am - 11:00 am

2nd Grade 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

**Location** ~ Beagle Elementary Gym ~ 600 South St.

**Registration Fee** ~ \$50 (includes a shirt)

**Registration Deadline** ~ Friday, October 4<sup>th</sup>

\$10 Late Fee After 10/4 (Late registrations will be accepted if space permits)

**3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grade Leagues (as of 2019/2020 school year)**

This is a girl's basketball league where teams are formed based on school and grade. Coaches are volunteers. Teams will practice once per week with the day and time chosen by the volunteer coach at the coaches meeting.

**Game Dates:** Saturday's 11/2 - 12/14 (no games on 11/30)

**Game Location:** Grand Ledge High School Main Gym ~ 820 Spring St.

**Game Times:** Morning & Early Afternoon (Exact Times TBD)

**Registration Fee:** \$60

**Registration Deadline:** Friday, October 4<sup>th</sup>

\$10 Late Fee After 10/4 (Late registrations will be accepted if space permits)

Participants will be required to purchase (if you don't already have one) a GL blue/gold reversible jersey. These can be purchased at 1st Place Sports or Sports Stop, both in Downtown GL on Main St.

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

### Registration Options

**Online:** [grandledgecomets.org](http://grandledgecomets.org)  
(click on the community Rec tab)

**In Person:** Community Rec Office  
Mon-Fri 9am-5pm



**Grand Ledge City Council**

**Front Row:** Mayor Pro Tem Keith Mulder, Mayor Thom Sowle, Rick Lantz

**Back Row:** Tom Jancek, Michael Doty, Brett Gillespie, Don Willems

**Administration . . . . . 627-2149**

Adam Smith, City Manager  
Amee King, Assistant City Manager

**Airport . . . . . 627-9557**

Grand Air Aviation

**Assessing . . . . . 622-7932**

Christopher Coucke, Assessor

**Building Department . . . . . 622-4756**

**Finance Department . . . . . 627-2149**

David Pawley, Finance Director / City Treasurer

**Clerk Department / Cemetery . . . . . 622-7920**

Gregory Newman, City Clerk

**Economic Development . . . . . 627-2149**

Adam Smith, City Manager

**Police Department . . . . . 627-2115**

Thomas Osterholzer, Police Chief

**Public Service / Parks & Recreation . . . 627-2144**

Kurt Ristow, Public Works Superintendent  
Dave Gutchess, Public Services Superintendent . . 627-5744

**Zoning . . . . . 622-7928**

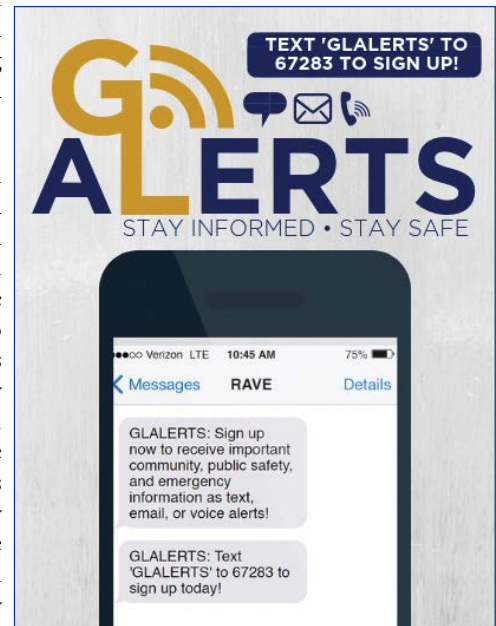
Sue Stachowiak, Zoning Administrator

My wife, Susan, and I have spent the last 32 years living and working in the incredible City of Grand Ledge. Combined, we have spent nearly four decades working with Grand Ledge Public Schools, getting to know so many hard-working, caring families in our community. The health of our City directly impacts the well-being of our residents and is why I devoted the last six years as an elected member of the Grand Ledge City Council and have fully embraced my appointment of Mayor the last six months. As Mayor, I have a tremendous vantage point to witness *how* we are seeing such significant, positive transformations in the look, feel, and function of our City. In short, there is a strong commitment to do the best job possible resounding through City Hall, throughout the Police Department, and into the Council Chambers. Every staff person and volunteer Board/Commission member takes their assigned duties seriously with a common goal of continuously improving every facet of the city we share and love.

We don't often think much about the miles of infrastructure and complex equipment that is continuously at work allowing us effortless access to clean water and efficient sewer processes. It is completely natural to have questions about how these systems and our City as a whole operates and we encourage residents to seek answers. The City holds at least five public meetings every month, each offering time for public comment. We also schedule tours of the waste water treatment plant facilities, offer a wealth of information at [www.cityofgrandledge.com](http://www.cityofgrandledge.com), and encourage neighbors to engage their City Council representatives to pose questions and seek productive solutions together.

We should all take note that 2019 will bring tremendous private investment to the City. From longtime employers choosing to expand and make Grand Ledge their headquarters, to significant new housing opportunities, to new businesses finding great locations by retrofitting space in existing buildings or choosing vacant space to fill with new construction, again and again, people are choosing to invest their time, money, and their lives in Grand Ledge.

Lastly, we all know construction season brings dust, noise, and temporary closures that can cause frustrations and travel delays. Of course the absence of construction would lead to certain decline of our City's infrastructure and quickly erode its charm, function, and safety. So when you are met with orange traffic cones and barricades that may delay your travel, try to reframe the experience and think of it in terms of the progress necessary to keep our City great!



Focused on keeping our City *Naturally Grand*,

*Thom A Sowle*

## STAY CONNECTED

**ONLINE**

[CityofGrandLedge.com](http://CityofGrandLedge.com)

**FACEBOOK**

[City of Grand Ledge Government](https://www.facebook.com/CityofGrandLedgeGovernment)

**CABLE TV**

[Comcast Channel 12](https://www.comcast.com/channel/12)



# City of Grand Ledge



TOGETHER WE CAN ENSURE

## NO LEAD IN GL



WE NEED  
YOUR HELP



## ENJOY A NIGHT AT THE MOVIES... ON US!

Self-report online for your chance to win a ticket package to the Grand Ledge Sun Theatre! Drawings occur every Monday and entrants remain in the selection pool if not chosen!



Exclusions apply, see website for details.

In every effort to reduce potential risk, the City of Grand Ledge is tracking and identifying the location of any lead components within the water system. New guidelines set forth by the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) requires public water entities to report the type of service line that leads to every home or business they service. When left undisturbed, lead components do not pose a safety risk; but identifying locations of any lead components is crucial to maintaining the water system. We have started tracking this information, but we need your help by self-reporting the type of service line you have in your home or business.

## HOW DO I KNOW WHAT TYPE OF MATERIAL IT IS?



Use the following tips to identify the service line material (**Note: if the service line pipe is corroded or in otherwise poor condition, only perform the magnet test.**) Stop by City Hall to pick up a GL magnet to test your service line!



### PLASTIC/PVC

Easy to identify, colors vary, will not attract magnet.



### COPPER

Will not attract magnet, reveals shiny 'new penny' color when scratched.



### GALVANIZED STEEL

Will attract magnet, reveals silver/white color when scratched.



### LEAD

Will **NOT** attract magnet, reveals silver/white color when scratched.

[CITYOFGRANDLEDGE.COM/NOLEADINGL](http://CITYOFGRANDLEDGE.COM/NOLEADINGL)

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP!

\*Sponsored by the City of Grand Ledge  
Downtown Development Authority



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

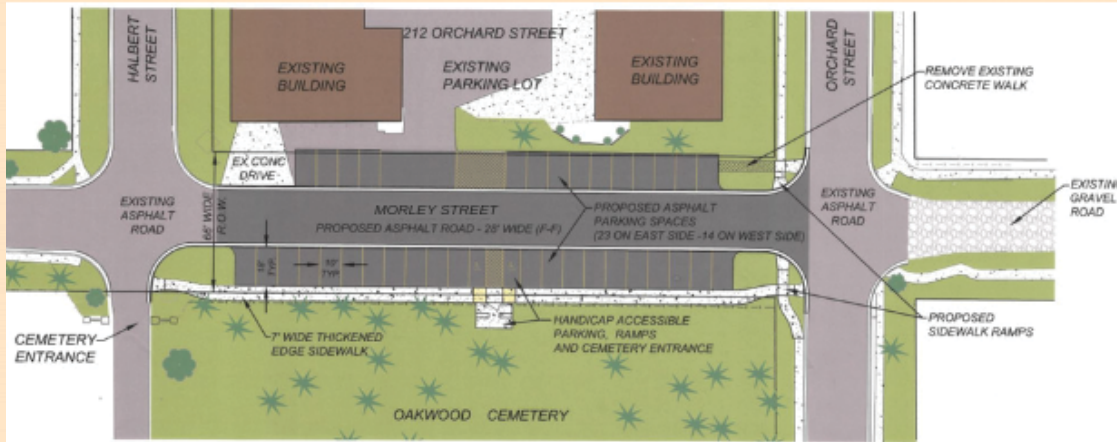




## 2019 CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS



### Morley St. Reconstruction (Orchard to Halbert)



In partnership with private corporation investment, Morley Street will be reconstructed from Orchard to Halbert Streets. The reconstruction will include traffic flow improvements, the addition of 30+ public parking spaces, and widened pedestrian paths. Upon completion this area will better accommodate Oakwood Cemetery visitors and the lineup process for parades.

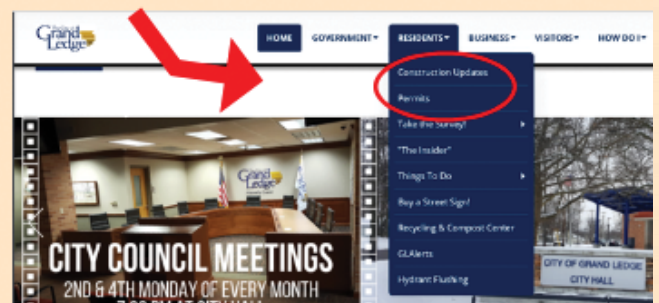


### Jaycee Park Improvements

- A connecting trail will be constructed spanning from the Memorial Tree Trail to the existing Riverwalk Trail.
- An accessible canoe/kayak launch will be installed near the existing boat launch.
- A new performance shelter with lawn seating will be constructed at the west end of the park.

Design & Plans  
Project Photos  
Parking & Detours  
Project Location(s)  
Timeline & Progress  
Project Funding Source(s)  
Resident & Business Notices

### CHECK ONLINE FOR CONSTRUCTION UPDATES!



DO NOT HESITATE TO CALL

# 911

**Not sure whether your situation is an emergency?**

Grand Ledge Chief of Police, Thomas Osterholzer, encourages community members to call 911 and let the operator determine whether you need emergency help!

An emergency is any situation that requires immediate assistance from the police, fire department or ambulance. Examples include:

- An unsafe or threatening situation
- A fire or crime, especially if in progress
- A car crash, especially if someone is injured
- A medical emergency, especially for symptoms that require immediate medical attention

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

**911.gov**

## DO YOU ENJOY WORKING OUTSIDE? LOOKING TO EARN EXTRA INCOME THIS SUMMER?

The City of Grand Ledge is accepting applications for part-time, seasonal workers. Posting remains open until all positions are filled!

Minimum Qualifications: A high school diploma or equivalent and a valid state of Michigan driver's license. Must possess skills in the use of grounds maintenance equipment, basic tools, basic building maintenance, and general repair tasks. Must be 18 years of age or older.

[WWW.CITYOFGRANDLEDGE.COM](http://WWW.CITYOFGRANDLEDGE.COM)

**DON'T DELAY- APPLY TODAY!**





# City of Grand Ledge

## RECYCLING CENTER

### ACCEPTED

Metal cans and foil  
Plastic bottles, tubs, jugs, and containers (#1, #2, #3, and #7 only)  
Clear and colored glass  
Boxboard  
Cardboard  
Mixed paper

### NOT ACCEPTED

Scrap metal (paint/aerosol cans, hangers, appliances, fencing)  
Wax-coated cardboard (refrigerator/freezer boxes, pizza boxes)  
#6 Plastic, plastic bags, laundry baskets, lawn furniture  
Green glass, window panes, automotive windows  
Motor oil or cooking oil

## GRAND LEDGE RECYCLING & COMPOST CENTER

Summer Hours

Wednesday 3 - 7 PM

Saturday 8 AM - 4 PM



\*Annual Vehicle Pass REQUIRED for Compost Center Access

City of Grand Ledge Residents: \$35.00 | Non-Residents: \$125.00

Vehicle passes to access the Compost Center can be purchased at City Hall, 310 Greenwood St, Grand Ledge, MI 48837 with a valid drivers license. City Hall is open Mon. - Fri. between 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM.  
NOTE: Passes cannot be purchased at the Compost Center and are only available at City Hall.

## COMPOST CENTER

### ACCEPTED

Paper lawn bags  
Shrubby and hedge clippings  
Leaves, grass clippings, weeds, garden waste  
Limbs and branches smaller than 8 inches in diameter

### NOT ACCEPTED

Stumps  
Yard waste in plastic bags  
Lumber or other construction materials  
Limbs and branches larger than 8 inches in diameter

**NO Commercial Dumping**

Cleaning Up this BEAUTIFUL Park  
Clearing Fallen Limbs  
Mulching Trails



# Earth Day @ Oak Park

Saturday, April 20, 2019  
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM





# Grand Ledge Area District Library

Library programs are held at the Grand Ledge Area District Library Main location unless otherwise noted.

## UPCOMING PROGRAMMING

### An Evening of Poetry

**April 17<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30-8pm**

An evening of poetry for the entire community featuring Lansing Poet Laureate, Dennis Hinrichsen, accompanied by a diverse group of exciting and terrific Grand Ledge and Lansing-area poets.

### Sing, Dance, and Move Storytime

**April 18<sup>th</sup> @ 6-6:45pm**

Sing, dance, move, and listen to stories at a special evening storytime! Meet at the library for stories, songs, movement activities, dancing, and fun – perfect for busy families with active kids.

### \*How to Adult: Money Matters & Safe Driving

**April 20<sup>th</sup> @ 11am-1pm**

Money Matters, by Eaton Federal Savings Bank, and Driving and Law Enforcement. From traffic stops to tickets-- what to do and how to safely cope. Presented by the Grand Ledge Police Department.

### \*Glass Painting with Friends

**April 24<sup>th</sup> @ 5:30pm**

Paint a beautiful scene on a glass dessert plate to keep-- or give for Mother's Day-- sponsored by the Friends of the Grand Ledge Area District Library. Registration is required, plates and paint while supplies last.

### \*Teen Lock-in

**May 10<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> @ 8pm-7am**

Have you ever wanted to party all night in the library? Now is your chance. Come to the teen lock-in. Games, food, movies provided. Registration and parent permission slip required -- 7th grade and up.

### \*Children's "Royal" Victorian Tea Party

**May 18<sup>th</sup> @ 11-11:45am**

Children can celebrate Victorian Days at a "Royal" Tea hosted by a beautiful Princess, Elena of Avalor! Dress up and enjoy tea, special stories, yummy treats and more. Children under 8 must be accompanied by an adult.

### Summer Reading Program – "A Universe of Stories" June 1<sup>st</sup> – July 31<sup>st</sup>

Starting in June, our space themed Summer Reading Program will be out of this world! Participants of all ages are encouraged to read to win lots of great prizes from local area businesses and the Friends of the Library! Registration for SRP will be available at the beginning of June. Additional SRP program event details will be available on our website and Facebook.

### \*Scammers Beware! Safe Financial Strategies for Older Adults June 5<sup>th</sup> @ 6-7pm

Learn how to keep yourself and your funds safe at Scammers Beware: Safe Financial Strategies for Older Adults, presented by Nicole Nyboer-Halliwill, Financial Advisor, Edward Jones, Lansing, MI

### \*Summer Reading Program – Blast Off!

**June 10<sup>th</sup> @ 11am-1pm & 7-9pm**

Register for our Summer Reading Program! Pick up reading logs and check out great books. Fun daytime events include MSU's inflatable planetarium, crafts, treats, and more. Evening events include moon viewing and pizza party.

### \*Babysitting Workshop June 18<sup>th</sup> @

**10am-4pm & August 6<sup>th</sup> @ 10am-4pm**

Teens learn emergency procedures, diapering, pediatric CPR, rescue breathing, the Heimlich maneuver, and basic first aid skills needed while babysitting. Class fee of \$30 is required.

### Cameron Zvara: Comedy, Magic & Juggling!

**June 18<sup>th</sup> @ 2-3pm (Willow Ridge Elem.)**

Cameron Zvara is a young showman with an amazing, engaging show for the whole family, JAM PACKED with magic, comedy, juggling, stunts, and music!

### "The Bubbleman": Bubbles in Space!

**June 25<sup>th</sup> @ 2-3pm (Watertown Twp Hall)**

"The Bubbleman" has performed bubble magic for over 30 years creating volcano bubbles, tornado bubbles, kaleidoscope bubbles, square bubbles, merry-go-round bubbles and much more!

### Rick Kelly: Far Out Songs about Space and More! June 27<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm (Jaycee Park)

Soar into an engaging, high-energy, extremely interactive original one man band.

### Exotic Zoo Animal Show!

**July 1<sup>st</sup> @ 3-4pm (Willow Ridge Elem.)**

Exotic Zoo is an Educational Wildlife Program - a traveling zoo that brings exotic animals for a hands-on learning experience!

### \*Interplanetary Bath Fizzies & Space Lotion Bars: By Dancing Crane Soap & Sundries

**July 9<sup>th</sup> @ 2-3pm**

Make Space Lotion Bars & Interplanetary Bath Fizzies: delightful skin care treats for yourself or as gifts.

### \*Solar System Stroll July 10<sup>th</sup> @ 2-3pm

How do we figure out relative distance and size of the planets in our solar system? How can we understand the vastness of space? We'll use the "bowling ball" model and find out! STEM activity, ages 7 and up. Limit 25

### \*\*"The Solar System Workshop" from Longway Planetarium July 15<sup>th</sup> @ 12-1pm

Journey through the Solar System! Build a model Earth to learn about the Solar System, make a Solar System necklace to learn the distance between planets with help from Longway Planetarium. For ages 4-12. Registration required, limit 25.

### "Starry Science" from Longway Planetarium July 15<sup>th</sup> @ 2-3pm

Explore the stars you see in the night sky! Make an ultraviolet energy detector, a Star Finder, and more with help from Longway Planetarium.

**\*Registration is required.  
Register online, call 517.627.7014,  
or stop by the front desk  
during open hours.**

## ONGOING PROGRAMMING

### Paws for Reading 4/16, 5/7 & 5/21, 6/4 & 6/18, 7/2 & 7/16, 8/6 & 8/20 @ 6-7pm

Kids can read with a certified reading therapy dog. \*Registration is required. To register stop by the Library or call 517.627.7014 during open hours.

### Crafting for a Cause 4/18, 5/2 & 5/16, 6/6 & 6/20, 7/18, 8/1 & 8/15 @ 4-5:30pm

Create hats, mittens, and scarves for the GL Food Bank. We can get you started knitting too.

### Brown Bag Books 8/1 - 8/31

Brown Bag Books—a surprise in a bag! What will you find? Mystery, comedy, adventure and the chance to win prizes are all waiting for you at the Grand Ledge Area District Library! Event takes place August 1-31st; all prizes must be claimed by September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

### Tutor.com

Need homework or SAT help?

Online tutors are available from 3-10pm!

Use your library card to get access at [grandledge.lib.mi.us/schooltools](http://grandledge.lib.mi.us/schooltools) ! Don't have a library card? Stop in during open hours to sign up for one, it's free! Resources are available 24/7!

### Main Library

131 E. Jefferson St., Grand Ledge

Monday–Thursday: 10am–9pm

Friday & Saturday: 10 am–5pm

Sunday: 1-5pm

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



# Delta Township District Library

## Coming summer 2019:

### STEAM Kits at the Library

STEAM Kits are amazing resources for cardholders of all ages to learn about science, technology, engineering, arts, and math through play-based fun. Each kit will provide a unique STEAM resource accompanied by relevant and engaging books, DVDs, and guides.

The kits include a microscope, telescope, circuits and more – all for free with your library card. Beginning this summer, you can visit the Youth Desk to see exactly what is available for check out, or visit our website for more information: [dtdl.org](http://dtdl.org)

### New Digital Resources Available

Delta Township District Library now has two new digital resources readily available.

**Creativebug** offers online video arts and crafts workshops and techniques. Learn how to paint, knit, crochet, sew – and more. With classes that never expire, you can start and stop projects at your own pace. Visit [dtdl.org/creativebug](http://dtdl.org/creativebug) to get started on your next hobby!

**Niche Academy** is an online training resource with tutorials on how to use the library's digital collections. Learn more about Hoopla, RB Digital, Mango Languages and more. To get started on any of the available topics, just visit our website ([dtdl.org](http://dtdl.org)) and click on **Digital Collections**.

If you have any questions about these, or any of our other services, please contact the library at 517-321-4014 or visit our website at [dtdl.org](http://dtdl.org).

### The Batman and the Ballerina

**Tuesday, May 14 @ 6 p.m.**

In his book, *The Batman and the Ballerina*, author Dean Feldpausch imagines a gravity defying love story between Clem Sohn, an air-show superman from Fowler, Michigan, famous throughout the United States and Europe in the 1930's for his 20,000-foot glides on wings of his own design and Margot Fonteyn, one of Britain's most beloved classical ballerinas.

### Strategy Game Night May 3 @ 5:30-11 p.m.

Join us for an after hours strategy game night. Learn new games or bring your favorites to share. Food and refreshments will be provided, but additional treats and dishes are welcome. Ages 18+.

### Spring Storytimes

#### Storytimes run through April 26

- Stories & Crafts (ages 3-5) - Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.
- Baby Time (birth-24 months)  
Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m.
- Toddler Storytime (ages 18-36 months)  
Thursdays, 10:30 a.m.
- Music & Movement Storytime (all ages)  
Fridays, 10:30 a.m. (no storytime April 19)
- PJ Storytime (all ages)  
Thursday, April 11, 6 p.m.

### Sensory Storytime

**Saturday, April 13 @ 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**

All ages. This sensory storytime is geared to children who have a hard time in large groups, are on the autism spectrum or have other developmental delays and/or sensitivity to sensory overload. Visuals, rhythmic preschool-level stories, and sensory activities will be included in this interactive storytime. Siblings are welcome! Space is limited; please register for this program online at [dtdl.org/events](http://dtdl.org/events) or at the Youth Desk (517-321-4014 x3).

### STEAM Saturday

**Saturday, April 13 @ 1:30 p.m. – 3 p.m.**

For kids in kindergarten through third grade. Join us as we discover, design, create, and construct with hands-on and interactive science, technology, engineering, art and math projects. April's theme is Mapping & Exploration. Space is limited; please register online at [dtdl.org/events](http://dtdl.org/events) or at the Youth Desk (517-321-4014 x3).

### Family Escape Room

**Wednesday, April 17 @ 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Ages 5-8. Escape Rooms are fun mystery games in which you work as a team to solve a series of puzzles within a set time limit. In our family-friendly version, kids and their adults will work together and race against the clock. Space is limited; register at the library's Youth Desk or call 517-321-4014 x3. Participants will sign up for a 45-minute time slot.

### Teen Tech Skills

**Friday, April 26 @ 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Ages 13-18. Do you live your life online? Unsure about things like digital privacy, navigating fake news, and staying safe online? Join us for a variety of tech tips and tricks. Get your questions answered and feel free to bring your phone or tablet to try our suggestions.

### Family Movie Matinee

**Saturday, April 27 @ 1 p.m.**

All ages. Join us for a new-to-DVD family-friendly movie, shown on our big screen. It is free to attend and popcorn will be provided. Call the Youth Desk (517-321-4014 x3) for movie title.

### Reading with the Animals

**Saturday, May 11 @ 10:30 am**

All ages. Potter Park Zoo is bringing live animals to the library! Listen to animal stories and meet some Potter Park Zoo animals. Zoo In Your Neighborhood is a program which provides communities throughout mid-Michigan opportunities to have memorable encounters with the zoo's live Education Animals. This free event is open to all ages!

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>

### Children's Book Week Bookmark Contest April 15-May 18

DTDL is having its ninth annual Children's Bookmark Contest to celebrate Children's Book Week (April 29–May 5). The contest is open to ages 3-12. Starting April 15, kids can pick up a contest form at the library's Youth Desk or download one from [dtdl.org](http://dtdl.org). All designs will be displayed in the library during June and the winning bookmark in each age group will be printed and distributed at the library. This year's theme goes along with our Summer Reading Program: A Universe of Stories. The deadline to turn in entries is May 18. For more information call 517-321-4014 x3.

### Summer Teen Volunteers

DTDL is looking for teen volunteers to assist with the library's summer reading program. Volunteering at the library is fun, great experience for future jobs, and can be counted as community service hours. Teens must be age 13-18 to volunteer. Applications will be available starting May 1; stop by the Youth Desk at the library to pick one up or go online at [dtdl.org](http://dtdl.org). The deadline to apply is May 24. Call 517-321-4014 x3 for more information.

### Summer Reading Program: A Universe of Stories

The 2019 Summer Reading Program will begin in June with programs for all ages and prizes for reading. This year's theme is A Universe of Stories, with a focus on space. Programs will include storytimes, STEM activities, crafts, Paws for Reading, family movies, a Youth Art Show, and more. DTDL will also host a variety of fun and interactive children's performers. Library staff will be visiting local schools in May and distributing summer calendars with more details.

## ACCOUNTING/TREASURER DEPARTMENT ..... 323-8510

Water/Sewer Bills  
Tax Collections  
Dog Licenses

## ASSESSING DEPARTMENT ..... 323-8520

Property Information/Assessed Valuations  
Weed Ordinance Enforcement

## 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

## 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  
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### Comprehensive Master Plan Update Underway

Delta Township's "Comprehensive Plan for Land Use" is intended to guide Township officials and citizens in making decisions about public facilities and the use of public and privately owned land. The plan is focused on land use and infrastructure and sets forth local goals and objectives for future community growth and redevelopment. It was last updated in 2013 and its 5-year update is underway, consistent with the requirements of the Michigan Planning Enabling Act (Act 33 of 2008). The Planning Department has selected Mckenna to perform the update of the plan. During the update the Township will seek robust public input through events, surveys, and other means. An electronic survey is available on the Township's website at [www.deltami.gov](http://www.deltami.gov). We encourage and would appreciate hearing from as many residents as possible. The update is proposed to be completed by the end of 2019. Residents may view the current (2013) plan also on the Township website. Questions regarding the update may be directed to Planning Director Gary Bozek at [gbozek@deltami.gov](mailto:gbozek@deltami.gov).

### Expanding Water Trail Access in Delta

The Grand River has been designated a water trail as part of the *Middle Grand River Heritage Water Trail*. A water trail is a "designated route along a lake, river, canal or bay specifically designed for people using small boats like kayaks, canoes, single sailboats or rowboats." This designation has expanded grant opportunities for water access which Delta Township has aggressively pursued and will be adding future amenities for the region.

In 2018, Delta Township constructed a new canoe launch on Willow Highway West of Nixon Rd. as part of a DNR Trust Fund Grant. The fully accessible canoe/kayak launch will be completed in the Spring when the final floating dock is added. In 2019, Delta Township will construct another fully accessible canoe/kayak launch at Delta Mills Park as part of another DNR grant. These will compliment a third launch that Delta has been improving at Grand Woods Park.

The Grand River Water Trail is a critically important asset to Delta residents and their quality of life. We will continue to focus on enhancing and expanding access and opportunities for all residents.





# Delta Township

## Delta Township 39'ers Programs

(Age 50+ Group)

### **IKEA, The Container Store, and the At Home Store Trip**

Experience the world of IKEA and shop at The Container Store, and At Home Store. Thursday, 4/18, 9 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.  
\$42 per person - Includes: motor coach transportation;  
Not Included: lunch, and bus driver's tip (\$1-\$2 per person suggested).  
Registration Deadline: 3/28. Call 484-5600 to register

### **Mystery Trip #1**

The destinations are a mystery, join the Delta 39'ers to see where we are going. Thursday, 6/13, 9 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.  
\$109 per person - Includes: motor coach transportation, admissions, lunch, and dinner; Not Included: bus driver's tip, (\$1-\$2 per person suggested). Registration Deadline: 5/10. Call 484-5600 to register

### **Golf Leagues - Men's or Women's Leagues**

Join the 39'ers at Ledge Meadows Golf Course!

#### **Golf Organizational Meeting**

Tuesday, 4/2, 11-11:30 a.m.

Delta Township Enrichment Center Activity Room

#### **Men's or Women's Leagues**

Tuesday, 4/16-9/17, Tee Time: 7-9 a.m.

#### **Men's or Women's Leagues**

Thursday, 4/18-9/19, Tee Time: 7-8 a.m.

Ledge Meadows Golf Course, \$25

### **Tai Chi**

Learn Tai Chi while treating your body to a gentle and relaxing workout.

#### **Shibashi**

Thursday, 3/21-5/2, 10:10 - 11:10 a.m.

\$42/7 Classes

#### **Beginning**

Thursday, 3/21-5/2, 11:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

\$42/7 Classes

Room 303 in the Delta Township Enrichment Center

### **Pilates for Everyone**

Pilates is a form of exercise developed 100 years ago by Joseph Pilates. Join us to strengthen the muscles used for posture and balance. Pilates can help you move with greater ease, efficiency, and awareness during everything you do.

Wednesday, 4/1-5/29, 5-6 p.m.

\$3 drop in fee

Room 304 in the Delta Township Enrichment Center

### **Genealogy**

Learn how to get started in genealogy, various resources, and how to preserve your information.

**Day Class:** Tuesday, 4/2-5/21, 1-3 p.m., \$32/8 Classes

Room 302 in the Delta Township Enrichment Center

**Evening Class:** Tuesday, 4/2-5/21, 6-8 p.m. \$32/8 Classes

Activity Room in the Delta Township Enrichment Center

## Adult Athletics

*For more information please call 323-8555.*

### **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 [www.deltami.gov/parks](http://www.deltami.gov/parks).

**Deadline:** Friday, 4/26/19

**Leagues:** Wednesday

**Season Begins:** Wednesday, 5/1/19

**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](http://www.deltami.gov/parks).

**Deadline:** Friday, 4/19/19

**Leagues:** Monday or Wednesday

**Season Begins:** Monday, 4/29/19 or Wednesday, 5/1/19

**Fee:** \$150/team (10 games)

**Location:** Sharp Park and Delta Mills Park

### **Adult Coed Wiffleball League**

Adult Wiffleball Leagues will bring back memories of playing in the backyard with family and friends. For more information, complete league rules and a team registration form please visit our website [www.deltami.gov/parks](http://www.deltami.gov/parks).

**Deadline:** Friday, 9/11/19

Leagues play on Tuesdays and Thursdays

**Season Begins:** Tu, 9/17/19 (5 weeks, 10 games)

**Age Groups:** 13-15, 16-18, 18+

**Fee:** \$20 per player (teams must register as a team. Minimum 4 players, Maximum 8 Players)

**Location:** Sharp Park

### **Adult Fall Athletic Preview**

**Adult Fall Sand Volleyball** – Wednesday, beginning Wednesday, 8/14/19. League runs eight weeks.

**Adult Fall Kickball** – Monday or Wednesday, beginning Monday, 8/26/19 and Wednesday, 8/28/19. All games are doubleheaders and run for five weeks.

**Adult Fall Softball** – Leagues run Monday-Thursday, beginning the week of 8/26/19. All games are doubleheaders and run for five weeks.

## **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; lap, adult, and family swims; and swim lessons for both adults and children. For more information, please visit [www.deltami.gov](http://www.deltami.gov) or call 484-5600.

## Keep Connected with "Talk of the Township"

Talk of the Township is Delta Township's electronic newsletter sent out at the end of each month and keeps you informed of what is going on in Delta Township. To get signed up, please visit [bit.ly/talkofthetownship](http://bit.ly/talkofthetownship) and fill out the online subscription form.



## Special Events and Classes

### Easter Bunny Meet & Greet

The Easter Bunny will be visiting Delta Township for a meet and greet. Don't forget to bring your camera to get a picture. Children will have the opportunity to participate in an Easter craft. No need to register in advance.

**Wednesday, 4/10, 6-7 p.m. , Delta Township District Library, Free**



### 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 your 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.

**Saturday, 4/27, 2 p.m., Grand Woods Park – meet by shelter next to first parking area**

**Sunday, 5/26, 2 p.m., Hawk Meadow Park, Free**

### 21st Annual Delta Rocks! Family Festival

Come to Sharp Park on Saturday, June 22 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, fun interactive inflatables, music by a DJ, 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.



### 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, 8/10, 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m., Sharp Park - Free**



### Kid's Mud Run

Come on out to the 6th 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. Visit [www.deltami.gov/registration](http://www.deltami.gov/registration) to register online. Call 323-8555 for other registration options. Limited registrations will be available the day of the run at a fee of \$15.

**Tuesday, 7/30, (weather date Wednesday, 7/31) heat times start at 5 p.m. and run through 7:30 p.m.**

**Ages 5-15**

**Grand Woods Park - No refunds, Rain or Shine (unless threatening weather in which we will use weather date, safety is our first priority)**



### 51st 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.

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



### Drop-in Pint-Sized Picassos – Parent Participation

Parents, bring your children to our drop-in art program. Let us provide the materials and clean-up while your child provides the creativity. There will be three different projects each week. We will use different types of paints, crayons, glue, collage materials, and more. The easels will also be available every week for the children to use. The cost is \$1 per child per week, adults are free. No need to register in advance.

**Thursday, 4/11-5/16, 10-11 a.m., \$1 per child drop-in fee, Enrichment Center, Room 301**

### Enrichment Classes

The Delta Township Parks and Recreation Office offers adult and youth enrichment classes throughout the year. To find the many offerings, please visit [www.deltami.gov](http://www.deltami.gov).





## Youth Athletics

To register please visit [www.deltami.gov/registration](http://www.deltami.gov/registration) or for more information please call 323-8555.



### Mt. Hope Park Opening Soon!

Our new park is scheduled

to open in July of 2019. Our youth sports are anticipating playing at the park beginning in the Fall of 2019.

### Youth T-Ball

Choose the Monday/Wednesday or the Tuesday/Thursday program. Starts the week of June 10 and runs for six weeks.

**Deadline:** Friday, 5/10/19

**Age:** 4, 5-6 as of 6/10/19

**Fee:** \$40 Res/\$45 Non-Res

\$10 late fee after 5/10/19 if space permits (late fees are not refundable)

\$15 for athletic jersey if needed

**Locations:**

4 year olds – Grand Woods

5/6 year olds – Grand Woods

### Youth Girls Softball - Coach Pitch

Program runs on Mondays and Wednesdays.

Starts on June 10 and runs for 6 weeks.

**Deadline:** Friday, 5/10/19

**Age:** 6-8 or 9-11 as of 6/10/19

**Fee:** \$40 Res/\$45 Non-Res

\$10 late fee after 5/10/19 if space permits (late fees are not refundable)

\$15 for athletic jersey if needed

**Location:** Colt, Delta Mills

### Youth Boys Baseball – Ages 6/7 Coach Pitch

Program runs on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Starts on June 11 and runs for 6 weeks.

**Deadline:** Friday, 5/10/19

**Age:** 6/7 as of 6/11/19

**Fee:** \$40 Res/\$45 Non-Res

\$10 late fee after 5/10/19 if space permits (late fees are not refundable)

\$15 for athletic jersey if needed

**Location:** Colt, Delta Mills

### Youth Boys Baseball – Ages 8/9 Machine Pitch

Program runs on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Starts on June 11 and runs for 6 weeks.

**Deadline:** Friday, 5/10/19

**Age:** 6/7 as of 6/11/19

**Fee:** \$40 Res/\$45 Non-Res

\$10 late fee after 5/10/19 if space permits (late fees are not refundable)

\$15 for athletic jersey if needed

**Location:** Colt, Delta Mills

### Youth Golf Lessons

Golf balls will be 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: 6/10/19-6/26/19;

Session 2: 7/22/19-8/7/19; Make-up dates for either session if needed – 7/15 & 8/13

**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, 6/11/19 - 6/27/19

**Session 2:** Tuesday & Thursday, 7/23/19 - 8/8/19

**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 4/30/19.

**Deadline:** Tuesday, 4/30/19

**Camp Dates:** Wednesdays, 5/1/19, 5/8/19, 5/15/19, 5/22/19

**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 8/26/19. Games take place on Saturdays, starting 9/7/19 and run for six weeks.

**Deadline:** Friday, 8/2/19

**Ages:** 4-10 as of 9/7/19

**Fee:** \$40 Res/\$45 Non-Res

\$10 late fee after 8/2/19 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) – Mt. Hope Park  
Traditional (8-10 year olds) – Mt. Hope Park

### Itty Bitty Kickers

Practices/Games: Scheduled within a 40-minute time block on Saturdays starting 9/7/19 for 5 weeks.

**Deadline:** Friday, 8/2/19

**Age:** 3 years old as of 9/7/19

**Fee:** \$25 Res/\$30 Non-Res

\$10 late fee after 8/2/19, if space permits (late fees are not refundable)

\$15 for athletic jersey if needed

**Location:** Mt. Hope Park

### Youth NFL Flag Football

Practices/Games: Practices begin the week of 8/26/19. Games begin 9/7/19 and run for six weeks on Saturdays. An NFL jersey is included in the fee.

**Deadline:** Friday, 8/2/19

**Grades:** K-5th

**Fee:** \$45 Res/\$50 Non-Res

\$10 late fee after 8/2/19 if space permits (late fees are not refundable)

**Locations:** Mt. Hope Park

## Passport Drive

The Delta Township Clerk's Office accepts passport applications during regular office hours Monday-Friday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. year round.

They will be offering five more dates with extended hours for passport drives during 2019. The Delta Township Clerk's Office will be open extended hours on the following dates for the acceptance of passport applications (Form DS-11 ONLY):

### 2019 Passport Drives

Wednesday, April 24 – 5-7 p.m.

Saturday, August 17 – 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Tuesday, September 10 – 5-7 p.m.

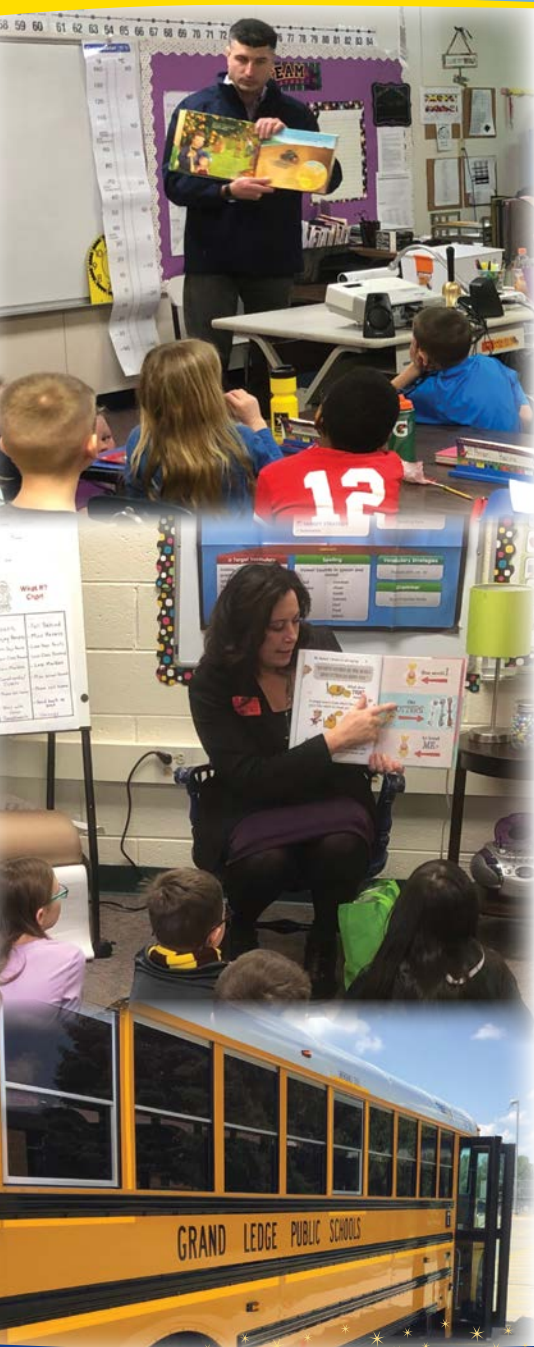
Wednesday, September 25 – 5-7 p.m.

Thursday, October 3 – 5-7 p.m.

Please visit the U.S. Department of State website for documentation requirements, fees and applications at [www.travel.state.gov](http://www.travel.state.gov). Two payments will be required: (1) Payable to U.S. Department of State for processing of your passport, and must be a personal check or money order as the payment is mailed with the passport application to the U.S. Department of State and (2) Payable to Delta Township for the acceptance fee and pictures, if the picture is purchased through Delta Township. One official passport quality photo is required when submitting a passport application (Form DS-11 ONLY) and can be obtained at the Clerk's Office for a \$12 fee per applicant. The fee(s) due to Delta Township can be by cash, check or credit/debit card. For questions or further information please call the Delta Township Clerk's Office at 323-8500.

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## From the School Board President



As a proud graduate of Grand Ledge High School Class of 1999, I am honored to serve as your School Board President in 2019. Here in Grand Ledge we have a unique setting, and it allows our schools and community to work side by side to educate our young students, helping them to become productive world citizens.

We had an extremely successful start to the 2018-2019 school year. This fall we continued to offer incredible academic and extracurricular opportunities that include coding practice for kindergarteners, sports teams that excelled, and fine arts performers that continue to win awards and represent Grand Ledge in a positive way. The high school theater program produced amazing performances of Newsies in the fall and The Lion King Jr. this spring! We

even had Grand Ledge student artists featured in the New York Times! Our students and staff members are shining!

We added a Communications Director to our leadership team, and Mr. John Ellsworth has been a huge asset to the district. Every week he is highlighting the excellent things happening in and around our school district. Please follow our district's Facebook page or Twitter account to stay up to date on all the good news happening in our schools.

This past November our community agreed to make a large investment in our school district by passing two bond proposals. Over the next several years, it will be our job as a district to engage our community with information about the benefits this investment will bring to our Grand Ledge students. Planning is underway on the additions to buildings that will allow for the restructuring of the school district. Beginning in the 2020-2021 school year, we will have four K-4 buildings (Wacousta, Willow Ridge, Delta Center, and Holbrook). Hayes will be a 5th and 6th-grade intermediate school, and Beagle will serve as a 7th and 8th-grade campus. Construction is set to begin late this fall, but planning for student and staff movement has already started. We are aware that change can be challenging. It is the expectation of the school board that we remain transparent in our communication regarding the construction process to make this a positive experience for our families. Public meetings will be scheduled to keep the community updated on our progress.

Grand Ledge has an important place in my heart, and I look forward to working with staff, students, parents, administration and the community to make the Grand Ledge Public Schools community the best place to raise, grow, and educate our children. I urge you to get involved in our schools by volunteering in classrooms, attending school conferences, or joining a PTO. It is a time of change in Grand Ledge, and exciting things continue to be on the horizon in Comet Country!

#proudtobeacomet

Patrick McKennon, President  
Grand Ledge Public Schools Board of Education