



CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF OAKLAND

Important Township Information Inside Including:

**MILL RACE CLEANUP
2012 PRIMARY ELECTION
NO HAZ
DOWN ON THE FARM
WEEKLY CLEAN!**

Visit us at www.OaklandTownship.org

Township Officials

Joan Fogler, Supervisor
Judy Workings, Clerk
Sharon L. Creps, Treasurer
Marc H. Edwards, Trustee
Kathrine Thomas, Trustee
Mike Bailey, Trustee
Sharon McKay, Trustee

James Creech, Township Manager



**Township offices will be closed
Monday, September 3rd in observance of Labor Day**

MEETING SCHEDULES

The following are currently meeting at 7:00 pm at the Township Hall:

Board of Trustees	2nd (and 4th if needed) Tuesdays
Planning Commission	1st Tuesday
Zoning Board of Appeals	3rd Tuesday
Library Board	Quarterly on Thursdays

These Commissions currently meet at 7:00 pm at the Paint Creek Cider Mill:

Parks and Recreation Commission	2nd and 4th Wednesdays
Historic District Commission	3rd Wednesday

For specific dates please visit our website at www.oaklandtownship.org

SUPPORT LOCAL BY SHOPPING LOCAL

Next time you leave your house to shop, keep in mind that we have many local businesses to fill your needs from hair salons to restaurants, and tree farms to doctors. Help support local business by shopping local!

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

- ◆ Animal Control: (248) 391-4102 (dogs & cats)
- ◆ Clerk/Register of Deeds, Oakland County:
(248) 858-0581 or toll free (888) 350-0900
(legal records, marriage licenses, birth records, deeds)
- ◆ Oakland County Water Resource Commission: (248) 858-0958
(water, sewer bills, maintains county drains and community wells)
- ◆ Equalization Department: (248) 858-0740
(assessor, property information)
- ◆ Heath Department of Oakland County: (248) 858-1280
- ◆ Historic District Commission: (248) 608-6807
- ◆ MSU Extension—Oakland County: (248) 858-0880
(nutrition, gypsy moth, 4-H)
- ◆ Paint Creek Trailways Commission: (248) 651-9260
- ◆ Parks & Recreation: (248) 651-7810
- ◆ Post Office: Rochester (248) 601-1024
- ◆ Road Commission of Oakland County: (877) 858-4804 *(citizen services)*
- ◆ Rochester Hills Public Library: (248) 656-2900
- ◆ Sheriff, Oakland County: **9-1-1 (Emergencies Only)**
Please direct all other calls to dispatch at (248) 858-4950
- ◆ State Senator: Jim Marleau (517) 373-2417
- ◆ State Representative: Tom McMillian (866) 969-0450
- ◆ Township Hall: (248) 651-4440
- ◆ U.S. Representative: Gary Peters (248) 273-4227
- ◆ U.S. Senators: Carl Levin (586) 573-9145
Debbie Stabenow (313) 961-4330

Rochester Hills Public Library Bookmobile Schedule

The Bookmobile is in Oakland Township at the following places and times:

SATURDAYS

Country Creek Commons at Silver Bell & Adams	10:00 – 11:00 a.m.
Delta Kelly Elementary School at Adams & Gunn	11:30 – 12:30 p.m.
Woodlands Mobile Home Estates off 32 Mile Rd.	1:30 – 2:30 p.m.
Rochester First Assembly of God at Rochester & Snell Rd.	3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

MONDAYS

S & M Market at Rochester & 32 Mile Rd.	5:15 – 6:15 p.m.
Paint Creek Cider Mill at Orion Road & Collins	7:15 – 8:15 p.m.

Rochester Hills Public Library Telephone Number: (248) 656-2900

Manager Notes

Bond Redemption

The Township will be calling and paying off the outstanding Series 2001 Older Persons Commission debt this fall. Expunging this debt will save Oakland Township residents \$371,000 in interest expense and \$1,575,000 in principal payments. With this early debt repayment, Oakland Township residents will realize a 0.2 mil (2/10 of one mil) decrease on their December tax bill starting in 2012. During these recent times, many other municipalities have had to ask for tax increases to fund operations. Due to the prudent financial stewardship of Township funds by administration and the Township Board, the citizens of Oakland Township will actually see a decrease in their tax millage rate.



AAA Bond Rating

Late in 2011 Standard and Poors performed an examination and re-evaluation of the Township's audited financial statements, budgets and remaining outstanding debt, and has reaffirmed Oakland Township's AAA Bond rating for the next two years. This bond rating was upgraded to AAA originally in 2008 with the issuance of bonds for Parks and Recreation projects. At that time, Oakland Township was one of only a handful of municipalities, and the only Township in the State of Michigan, with that high rating. AAA is the highest possible bond rating.

Stabilization of Property Values

As many other communities' property values continue to slide, property values in Oakland Township have stabilized and appear to be on the upswing. Oakland Township was one of only a dozen or so municipalities in the State that experienced an increase in overall property values. Oakland Township had a 1% increase in total property value in 2011 and had 53 new home building permits. Since the third quarter of 2011, new home building has been increasing. New home permits in Oakland Township are on a pace to reach over 100 in the 2012 calendar year.

Trails and Pathways

The Township has applied for grants through the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF) and funding from the Traffic Enhancement Program through the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficient Act to construct the Adams Road Corridor Safety Path Project in Oakland Township. These grant funds have been specifically allocated for these purposes. Please see the Township website and for details on the project.

Paint Creek Trailway Connection

The Township has also applied for funding through the MNRTF for various Paint

Creek Trailway improvements in the Goodison area. These improvements are delineated in the Goodison Plan and other Master Plans for a pedestrian bridge across the Paint Creek to the Paint Creek Cider Mill Building. Two exterior bathrooms are proposed to be constructed at that building as well as a drinking fountain. Further information is also available on the Township's website at www.oaklandtownship.org.

Goodison Plan

The Committee is reaching the final stages of the generation of the draft plan. Public input has taken place throughout, and an open house was held June 3rd. Information on the draft plan can be seen at www.oaklandtownship.org.

Blossom Ridge Senior Housing Development

This 238 unit senior housing development is proposed to be located at the north-west corner of Dutton and Adams Road. At press time this was scheduled for second reading and adoption by the Oakland Township Board for rezoning. This project was recommended for approval by the Township Planning Commission. The Oakland Township master land use plan cites this location as a prospective use for senior housing.

DWSD



At this point, The Detroit Water and Sewerage Department has removed the North Oakland Transmission System water project from their master plan. Oakland Township administration has been meeting with representatives of DWSD and Oakland County to determine alternatives that could address regional water concerns.

For those customers who have public sanitary sewer service, Detroit sewer rates will increase due to mandated improvements that are taking place related to the Oakland-Macomb sewer interceptor project, as well as DWSD cost increases. Details can be found on the Oakland County Water Resources Commission and DWSD websites.

Recycling Program

- It has been found that an average of 45 Oakland Township households use the centralized Township recycling program at the Township Hall.
- Recycling program at the Hall costs \$1,600 per event.
- Curbside recycling is available through 5 of our 6 licensed waste haulers in the Township. For those who do not have curbside recycling, residents can take their recyclables to the Eagle Valley landfill on Silver Bell Road west of M-24 for no cost.



Due to these facts, the Township Board is evaluating whether or not to continue this centralized program at the Township Hall. The Township will be taking additional input via a survey towards an ultimate decision. Please check the Township's website for more information.

MILL RACE CLEANUP



Smoke from the many burn piles could be seen by passerby's on Orion Road during the months of April and May as residents came forward to help clean out a section of the Mill Race by Gallagher Road. Proud homeowners along the opposite end of the Mill Race keep their frontage maintained to highlight this historical site.

Oakland Township Trustee Sharon McKay organized the event for the Mill Race to be cleaned before the water is returned. Currently, Wade Trim, a planning consultant hired by the township, is conducting a study to determine how this is going to develop.

Oakland Township Parks & Recreation provided staff for the big job of cutting the numerous dead trees and large branches that laid on the bottom of the Mill Race for several years. This was a tremendous help for the volunteers; reducing their heavy labor and chain saw use. The job took a total of three Saturdays with the help of about 27 citizens, including representatives from Oakland Township's Parks and Recreation Commission, the Historical Society, the Historic District Commission, and the Board of Trustees. The work was back breaking and tedious, but by the



end of each Saturday, seeing the results of their work, they knew the temporary pain of a sore back was worth all the work.



On the last day of the final sweep, the clean up crew relaxed on the banks of the Mill Race and enjoyed a pot luck meal provided by the volunteers. "It is beautiful," said Trustee, Sharon McKay, "to think back of what it was like when we started, and to see it now."

Special Recognition to:

Greg & Jan Olson, Tom & Mary Asmus, Barb Barber, Robin Buxar, Mike Bailey, Bob Sirna, Mike & Shane Kelly, Colleen Barkham, Terry Gonser, Janine Saputo, Jean Langlois, Orville Brown, Diane Bennett, Dave & Diane Borrush, Dennis Murray, Judy Spitz, Alan and Diane Praet, Bill Kroger, Sharon McKay, and the generosity of all of our volunteers.



43rd Annual Clean Scene

Oakland Township Clean & Green Scene was a Great Success this year, as always !!! This shows how much our citizens take pride in their community. We had approximately 75 volunteers out to clean our streets on a cold April morning. We, as a township, would like to thank the volunteers for all their help. Also, a big thank you goes to Waste Management, who volunteered their time as well as their services.



They also donated all the drinks - pop and water- for everyone. We would like to thank Hollywood Market and Busch's for their donation of the food items for breakfast and lunch.

We hope to see all those that helped this year, along with some new faces help next year. This is a great community event where you can enjoy the benefits of working together, achieving a sense of accomplishment, and enjoying good conversation over a hot dog and beverage!!!

THANKS TO YOU ALL!!!!!!

Seven Simple Steps to Clean Water

Did you know we all live on a lake or stream? It's true -- we might not be able to see it from our window, but it's there. It might be a small stream or ditch or even the storm drain in the street. All of these lead to a river or lake. So it's important to remember that what we do at home affects our rivers and lakes!

Here are some simple steps you can take to help keep our water clean. Give them a try. A few simple changes can make a big difference! Plus, you'll save time and money in the process.

- Help keep pollution out of storm drains
- Fertilize sparingly and carefully
- Carefully store and dispose of household cleaners, chemicals, and oil
- Clean up after your pet
- Practice good car care
- Choose earth friendly landscaping
- Save water

We might not be able to see it from our window, but it's there. It might be a small stream or ditch, or even the storm drain in the street. All of these lead to a river or lake. **So what we do at home affects our rivers and lakes!**

For more information, visit www.semcog.org

Safety Path & Trails News

Trails Planner Mindy Milos-Dale has been busy at work applying for grants for various projects throughout the township, including a proposed connector bridge from the Paint Creek Trail to the parking lot of the Paint Creek Cider Mill, home of our Township Parks & Recreation office (among others). Please visit the Safety Path & Trail Network page on our website for more details and the latest updates!



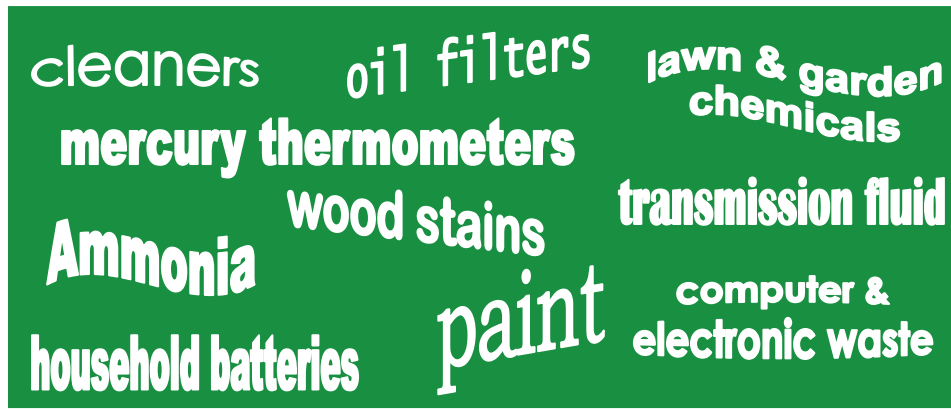
Community Media Network (CMNtv) invites residents of Oakland Township to its legendary 10-week video production training series. Get hands-on training with TV studio production equipment and Mac-based Final Cut X editing. Learn lighting, audio, and on-camera skills. Upon completion, graduates have access to CMNtv's extensive equipment and facilities to create non-commercial programs for local cable TV (Comcast, channel 18). The 10-week series is only \$75 for residents. Other workshops include advanced editing, acting, digital photography, Photoshop and MORE! CMN produces affordable promotional videos for nonprofits, too. Call (248) 589-7778 or visit cmntv.org today to get involved!

FROM THE TREASURER'S OFFICE

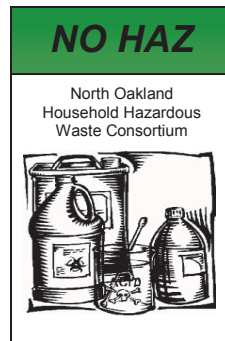
2012 SUMMER TAX STATEMENTS:

Summer tax statements for 2012 have been mailed and are due by September 14, 2012 to avoid interest and penalties. Important information regarding your taxes and payment options can be found on the back of your tax statement. If you have not received your Summer tax statement or have tax-related questions, please call 248/651-4440, ext. 212 or 213

DON'T TRASH YOUR HAZARDOUS WASTE!
Bring it to a NO HAZ collection event near you.



2012 Collection Events



**There is a \$10
charge per car
for each event**

Saturday August 18
OCC—Highland Lakes, Waterford

Saturday September 22
Orion Township Amphitheater

All events are 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM

NOTE – Up to 5 computer and/or electronic items will be accepted from each vehicle

For More Information:

www.nohaz.com

248- 858-5656

2012 PRIMARY ELECTION APPROACHING

On Tuesday, August 7, 2012, the Primary Election will be held. On the ballot will appear candidates for Republican and Democratic Parties for the offices of United States Senator, Congressional Representative, State Representative, Oakland Co. Executive, Oakland Co. Prosecuting Attorney, Oakland Co. Sheriff, Oakland Co. Clerk/Register of Deeds, Oakland Co. Treasurer, Oakland Co. Water Resources Commissioner and County Commissioner. A position for Judge of Circuit Court 6th District appears in the nonpartisan section. Two proposals also appear in the nonpartisan section including: Oakland County Art Institute Authority Millage, and a renewal of the Oakland Township Historic District Commission Operating Millage.

Also appearing on the ballot are the local candidates for Oakland Township Supervisor, Clerk, Treasurer and Trustees as well as the Park Commissioners.

The positions for Democratic and Republican Precinct Delegates are determined at the Primary Election.

The Primary Election ballot must be voted entirely in either Democratic or Republican Sections and cannot be split between the parties.

A sample ballot is included elsewhere in this newsletter. Due to the Precinct Delegate position, each precinct ballot is individual to each precinct. The sample ballot refers to Precinct 1.

VOTING BY ABSENTEE BALLOT

Oakland Township registered voters may request an Application for Absentee Ballot by phoning the Clerk's Office at 248.651.4440 x200 or x218. This application is a dual application for both the Primary Election on August 7, 2012 and the General Election on November 6, 2012.

Any registered voter in Oakland Township may request an absentee ballot for the following reasons:

- I am 60 years of age or older.
- I expect to be absent from the community in which I am registered for the entire time the polls are open on Election Day.
- I am physically unable to attend the polls without the assistance of another.
- I cannot attend the polls because of the tenets of my religion.
- I have been appointed an election precinct inspector in a precinct other than the precinct where I reside.
- I cannot attend the polls because I am confined to jail awaiting arraignment or trial.

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AM I REGISTERED TO VOTE IN OAKLAND TOWNSHIP?

If you are not certain if you are currently registered in Oakland Township, please phone the Clerk's Office, 248.651.4440 x 200. You might ask this question if:

- you have never voted in Oakland Township; or
- you are a college student who may have registered on your campus; or,
- you have a second residence in another state and may have registered there; or,
- you have registered by mail or the internet; or,
- you have a driver's license with an address other than your current residence in Oakland Township.

The deadline to register to vote in the Primary Election was July 9, 2012. However, you **may** still be able to vote absentee at the location where you are registered. So, please contact the Clerk's office to check this out now so you will not be disappointed on Election Day. If you are not currently registered in Oakland Township, you may do so at Oakland Township Clerk's office or at any Secretary of State office. Oakland Township's business hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

If you have any questions about the elections, please call the Oakland Township Clerk's Office at 248.651.4440 x210 or x218.

OAKLAND TOWNSHIP VOTING LOCATIONS

Oakland Township has 8 voting precincts at the locations listed below. Polls are open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Election Day.

Precinct 1 –	Hugger Elementary School 5050 Sheldon Road
Precinct 2 -	Woodlands Mobile Home Park Clubhouse 1441 West Romeo Road
Precinct 3 -	Baldwin Elementary School 4325 Bannister Road
Precinct 4-	Baldwin Elementary School 4325 Bannister Road
Precinct 5 -	Delta Kelly Elementary School 3880 Adams Road
Precinct 6 -	Oakland Twp. Fire Station #2 1888 Rochester Road
Precinct 7 -	Musson Elementary School 3500 West Dutton Road
Precinct 8 -	Delta Kelly Elementary School 3880 Adams Road

Oakland Township Parks & Recreation

Fall 2012 Archery Classes



Registration Required by calling 248-651-7810 or visiting us at 4480 Orion Rd, 2nd Floor, Oakland Township, M-F 8am-4:30pm.

All participants must sign a waiver form at registration.

Sorry, we do not accept credit cards.

Make checks payable to Oakland Township.

All archery classes are held at Marsh View Park Archery Range, 3100 Clarkston Rd, Oakland Twp (NW corner of Clarkston & Adams Roads)

Classes are suitable for participants ages 8-108!

OPEN RANGE SHOOTS

Open Range Shoot sessions are free to the public. Targets will be provided. Participants must bring all other equipment including practice arrows. No broadheads or crossbows allowed. Prior archery experience is necessary. Must sign a waiver form prior to or at the first visit. Children between the ages of 8 and 17 years must be accompanied by an adult.

Free.

Saturday	8/11/12 — 10/20/12	8:30 — 10:00a.m.
Wednesday	8/22/12 — 10/17/12	5:30 — 7:00p.m.

SCOUT BADGE WORKSHOPS, BIRTHDAY PARTIES & CORPORATE EVENTS

Marsh View Park Archery Range can be reserved for a workshop designed to help Scouts earn a merit badge in Archery, for birthday parties or even corporate team-building events. Our instructor will customize your event for you (Scouts may provide their own certified instructors if they desire). Please contact the Parks and Recreation office at 248-651-7810 with specific details and dates so we may provide you pricing and confirm instructor availability.

BEGINNING ARCHERY – YOUTH (Ages 8-16)

Learn the fundamentals of archery while you review equipment, learn about safety, learn basic shooting skills and have fun! All equipment provided. Min. 5/Maximum class size is 20 students. 6 week class.

BEGY1	Resident fee: \$60	Non-resident fee: \$77
Saturday	9/15/12 — 10/20/12	10:00 — 11:30a.m.
BEGY2	Resident fee: \$60	Non-resident fee: \$77
Saturday	9/15/12 — 10/20/12	4:00 — 5:30p.m.

BEGINNING ARCHERY – ADULT (Ages 16 and up)

Learn the fundamentals of archery while you review equipment, learn about safety, learn basic shooting skills and have fun! All equipment provided. Min. 5/Maximum class size is 20 students. 6 week class.

BEGA	Resident fee: \$60	Non-resident fee: \$77
Saturday	9/15/12 — 10/20/12	12 Noon — 1:30p.m.

ADVANCED ARCHERY – ALL AGES (Ages 8 and up)

This class is for archers who have taken Beginning Archery and archers with some archery experience. Focus will be on improving your archery form and accuracy. All equipment is provided or archers may use their own equipment. No crossbows. Min. 5/Maximum class size is 20 students. 6 week class.

ADVA

Resident fee: \$60

Non-resident fee: \$77

Saturday

9/15/12 — 10/20/12

2:00 — 3:30p.m.

BEGINNING SENIOR ARCHERY – ADULTS (Ages 50 and up)

This class is perfect for learning the fundamentals of archery while you review equipment, learn about safety, learn basic shooting skills & have fun! A perfect foundation for training to participate in the Michigan Senior Olympics! All equipment provided. Min. 5/Maximum class size is 20 students. 6 week class.

BEGS Rochester, Rochester Hills or Oakland Township Seniors: \$60

Non-Resident: \$77

Thursday

8/2/12 — 9/6/12

10:00 — 11:30a.m.

Classes are subject to change/cancellation, see our refund policy at
www.oaklandtownship.org All instructors are certified.



Down on the Farm
July 28, 2012 ~ 11am-2pm
Cranberry Lake Farm Historic District,
388 West Predmore Road

Livestock Animals

Historical Displays

Butter Churning

Farm Education Booths

Bee Keeping Presentation

Traditional Outdoor Games

Make a toy to take home

FREE!

Learn about historic farm tools and machinery,
tour the historic buildings and
have some good old outdoor family fun!



Join us for this FREE event at
Historic Cranberry Lake Farm

All activities and supplies are free!

*Bring your own picnic lunch
or snack to enjoy.*



Goodison Good Tyme!

September 15, 2012

10am - 2pm

Bear Creek Nature Park

740 West Snell Road

Join us for this GREAT annual event!

CRAFTS

Make A Nature Craft ▲ Stencil A Nature T-Shirt

MUSIC

Live Folk Music

FUN

Face Painters ▲ Balloon Artist

ACTIVITIES

Rock Wall Adventure ▲ Maze

Obstacle Course ▲ Archery Demonstration Booth

COMMUNITY

Historical Displays and Crafts ▲ Bake Sale

Sponsored by Oakland Township Parks & Recreation Commission

Free admission, nominal fee for some services



Goodison Good Tyme's *Curamus Terram* Race

Come celebrate the beauty of Oakland Township! Please join us for the 10th annual *Curamus Terram* Half-Marathon/10K/5K races on Saturday September 15th at 9:00 am. All of the races go through our parks and trails and finish next to the Township Hall.

You can register on-line at www.OaklandTownship.org (click on Goodison Good Tyme/Curamus Terram link from Community Info) or register the day of the race at the Paint Creek Cider Mill starting at 7:30 am.



It's your memory, it's our history, it's worth saving.

Join your friends and neighbors at Oakland Township Historical Society programs and events this summer and fall!

Starting our new season of annual programs on September 5 we commemorate the War of 1812 with uniformed re-enactor Joe Toth of Oakland Township. Toth presents in full 1812 U.S. Marine uniform complete with firearm to tell us about how Michigan was involved in this conflict. Join the potluck dinner at Cranberry Lake Farm as well.

October 6 we visit our own historic Paint Creek Cemetery to learn about Civil War connections to our township residents. On November 7 the Society hosts a presentation on the famous historic churches of Detroit. See our program/event schedule for more details online.

Special events this fall highlight the Civil War. The Oakland Township Heritage Civil War bus tour leaves Goodison on Saturday Sept 22, 10 a.m. for historic points in the township. Mark your calendar! Watch for more information to purchase tickets for this special commemoration of the 150th anniversary of the War Between States and Michigan's involvement. The Society is working with Oakland County Historical Commission to hold this special tour.

The Society will display our popular *Goodison, our history centers on the Mill*, at OPC in Rochester opening August 28. The full exhibit, showcasing the history of Goodison from settlement through the 1950's, will be up in the OPC lobby for the public until September 17. Missed it last fall? Be sure to stop by and enjoy this outstanding exhibit of historic photographs and graphics created by the Society's Goodison Committee and Libby Dwyer, *Studio Twelve Thirty-four*, of Oakland Township.

If you are not a member yet, the Society encourages you to join us in preserving and enjoying the unique heritage of Oakland Township! We look forward to seeing you! See www.oaklandtownshiphistoricalsociety.org

Colleen Barkham and Janine Saputo, OTHS co-presidents
OTHS is a member of the *Historical Society of Michigan*.

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

Josiane Whitson, Chairperson
E. Jean Lyons, Secretary
Commissioners: Charles Busch Jr.,
Amy Hopewell, and Bruce Parkinson
Administrative Assistant Barbara Barber can be reached
M-F 9:00 am -- 4:00 pm at 248-608-6807
or by email bbarber@oaklandtownship.org
*HDC Meetings are held on the third Wednesday at
7 pm in the Paint Creek Cider Mill.*
www.oaklandtownship.org
All are welcome to attend!

HDC is looking for preservation minded individuals to serve on the Historic District Commission or the Historic District Study Committee. If you are interested in history, architecture, cultural heritage, local heritage, vernacular landscapes, and in serving your community in a worthwhile capacity, then we are the team for you! Please contact Barbara Barber in the HDC office.

CRANBERRY LAKE FARM HISTORIC DISTRICT



Pictured Joe Toth by Barb Barber

A wonderful program was held at Cranberry Lake Farm Historic District last June, commemorating the Bicentennial of the Declaration of the War of 1812. A special Fifteen-Star Flag was raised for the program. The Presentation of Colors by Joe Toth, preceded the Pledge of Allegiance with drum roll by North Oakland Concert Band member Ryan Demeniuk, and a vocal performance of the *Star Spangled Banner* by Lorrie Garrison. Joe Toth shared many historical comments with the crowd. The HDC sponsored the program in collaboration with the Oakland Township Historical Society. Dave Borrusch raised the flag and Diana Borrusch helped with the introductions. More pictures are posted on the HDC page website.

THE BIG RED LOGGING WHEELS

Next time you are at the Paint Creek Cider Mill on Orion Road, make sure you read all about the history and function of Michigan Logging Wheels. You will learn when the Big Wheels came to Goodison and the



volunteer restoration efforts. The educational sign was researched by Tom Asmus, Oakland Township Historical Society, designed by Libby Dwyer, Studio 1234 (*both pictured*) and funded by the Historic District Commission.



How many feet in length could a Silas Overpack logging wheel pull?



What else is new at Cranberry Lake Farm Historic District? If you keep your eye looking upwards, you will find the silo will have a new roof replica to help preserve the structural condition and integrity of the silo for years to come - and for generations to continue to enjoy!

HDC MEETING DATES 2012-2013

AUG 15, 2012 7:00	NOV 14, 2012 7:00
SEPT 19, 2012 7:00	DEC 12, 2012 7:00
OCT 17, 2012 7:00	JAN 16, 2013 7:00



PRIMARY ELECTION – AUGUST 7, 2012

RENEWAL HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION OPERATING MILLAGE FOR TEN YEAR PERIOD, .1170 OF ONE MILL (LESS THAN 1/8 MILL)

HDC MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Charter Township of Oakland Historic District Commission is to promote and preserve the rich heritage of our township by safeguarding its historical resources. This is accomplished through the following:

- Cultivating an appreciation for the heritage of Oakland Township.
- Educating our residents about the value of preserving the buildings, structures, and areas that have contributed to this heritage.
- Encouraging the listing of new resources so that future generations can benefit from them.
- Administering the Charter Township of Oakland's Historic District Ordinance 37-A.
- Collaborating with other commissions and groups that have a mutual interest in preserving our township's heritage.

The Clinton River Watershed Council Announces:

Weekly Clean



- Starting August 1st, every Wednesday 10am-12pm.
- 50 weeks a year. (no clean up Thanksgiving week and the week between Christmas and New year)
- Each week will be dedicated to a different location within the watershed or along the shoreline of Lake St. Clair.
- The third Wednesday of every month will have an additional evening clean up from 4:00-6:00pm.
- There will be opportunities to kayak parts of the Clinton River and Lake St. Clair and clean up debris while you paddle. Our friends from **Clinton River Canoe and Kayak** and **Simple Adventures** will be providing kayaks for us to make our clean up easier.
- We will have a schedule of clean up locations posted on our web site.
- Cancelations will be posted 24hrs prior to the event on our website: www.crw.org
- Email announcements will be sent out as well so, stay tuned: There will be a clean up coming to your neighborhood and we need your help!

Clinton River Watershed Council

1115 W. Avon Rd
Rochester Hills, MI 48309
(248)601-0606
amanda@crwc.org



THE OAKLAND TOWNSHIP LIBRARY BOARD

Through a contractual agreement with the Rochester Hills Public Library, Oakland Township benefits from the excellent services of one of the premier libraries in the State of Michigan. Oakland Township has its own elected Library Board that administers a dedicated, voted millage to provide library services. This voter approved 1 mil is comprised of two millages, originally 0.8000 and 0.2000 mils, which have been reduced by law to .6212 mils. With this millage, the Library Board currently provides full library services for Oakland Township residents by contracting with the Rochester Hills Public Library. Both of these millages have been recently renewed by the voters of Oakland Township for a twenty year period. All residents of Oakland Township and all persons employed at an establishment located in the township are eligible for a library card and full library services. The outreach programs of the Rochester Hills Public Library are outstanding. Check out the bookmobile schedule and notice that on Saturdays it is in our township in four locations. Also, an additional bookmobile known as the “Big Blue Bus” visits all the day-care and pre-schools in the Rochester area, including Oakland Township, once a week. New opportunities that include training and access to electronic media, genealogy assistance, public computers, and enhanced cooperation with the schools are just some of the on-going developments in our library services in the 21st century.

The Library Board is comprised of six residents of Oakland Township who are elected to 4 year terms, all at the same time, during the General Presidential election years. The office is NON-PARTISAN and members do not receive payment for their service. Terms for the current members will end in November, 2012 and a new board will be on the ballot for the November 6, 2012 General Election.



The Library Board holds regular meetings quarterly –generally on the fourth Thursday of the month unless otherwise noticed. Meeting notices are posted and all regular and special meetings are open to the public. Draft minutes are available at the township office within seven business days of the meetings. Meetings are held in the main meeting room of the Oakland Township Hall, 4393 Collins Road, at 7:00 p.m. Members of the Oakland Township Library Board of Directors currently are: Agnes Bochenek, Heidi Paterson, Carolyn Phelps, Alice Tomboulion, Michael Tyler and Carolyn Krygel-Young. There are two meetings remaining this calendar year: Thursday, August 23, 2012 and Thursday, November 8, 2012.

Our library service contract does not provide a seat on the Rochester Hills Public Library Board, but a member of our Oakland Township Library Board acts as liaison, regularly attending their meetings which are held monthly on the second Monday of the month at the Rochester Hills Public Library. We receive their agenda packets and are included in the discussions. Our contractual agreement requires that we annually exchange audit reports and financial statements, and we receive an annual report from their Director.

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