



Lee Crossings

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Lee Township, Allegan County, Michigan

Fall/Winter

2021

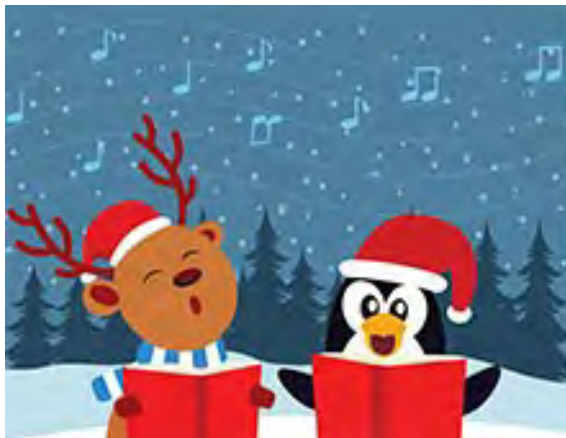


The Lee Township Board would like to extend *Happy Holiday Greetings* to all our residents. We hope everyone has a chance to come through town and enjoy the decorations put up annually by our holiday committee volunteers, the seasonal decorations by downtown businesses, and this year the new planters decorated for the holidays thanks to Beautify Pullman. All are invited to a **Community Unity Service at the Community Center on Sunday November 28 at 6pm.**

NEW LOCATION FOR HOLIDAY SOCIAL

The annual Lee Township **Holiday Social will take place on Saturday December 4th from 6-8pm at The Linking Center (925 56th St)** to allow for more space and assure our ability to follow current health and safety guidelines and social distancing. Masks are encouraged.

The community celebration begins with outdoor caroling and a live manger, weather permitting. Bundle up the family and come celebrate the joy of this special holiday season with neighbors and friends. Santa will be available for family photos & a gift for each child up to age 11. Light refreshments will be served. All are welcome and encouraged to attend this free community event. Questions, contact Lisa Galdikas @ 269-236-6119.



PROTECT YOUR FAMILY THIS WINTER

We hope everyone has a safe holiday season. Please review the safety reminders below that could help save a life this winter.

FIRE PREVENTION SAFETY TIPS

Decorations like dried flowers, corn stalks and Christmas trees are highly flammable. Keep these away from flames and heat sources. Every second counts during a fire. Experts say you have less than 2 minutes to escape a burning home. It is critical for you to have a family escape plan. Make sure all doors and windows that lead to outside are accessible and easy to open. Consider an escape ladder for sleeping areas located on the 2nd floor. Choose an outside meeting place for children and teach children how to escape on their own if you are unable to help them.

WINTER SAFETY TIPS

- * Test your smoke alarms & carbon dioxide detectors.
- * Have your chimney cleaned if you burn wood.
- * Have a family evacuation plan with an outside meeting place in case of a fire.
- * Do not leave electric heaters unattended.
- * Clean out your dryer filters.
- * Change your furnace filter.
- * Do not use portable flameless chemical heaters indoors.
- * Never use a generator inside your home, basement or garage or less than 20 feet from any window or door.
- * Make sure your gas appliances are vented properly.
- * Never heat your home with a gas range or oven.
- * Never run a car or truck inside an attached garage.

Bloomington School District Winter/Spring Breaks and Upcoming Events

November 25-26—Thanksgiving Recess / No School
December 16— 5:30pm Holiday Program @ Pullman Elementary School
December 20-Jan 2—Winter Break/No School
April 1-8—Spring Break/No School
June 3—Last Day of School

WORKING TOGETHER FOR A BETTER TOMORROW

It's hard to keep up these days on all the GREAT improvements happening in Lee Township. Business owners, residents, volunteers, and nonprofits all working to make sure the future of Lee Township is brighter than ever.



Repair work on the Lower Scott Lake weir finally began late October after years of contractor delays.



Lee Township Emergency Services provided an interactive fire prevention program at the station for Pullman Elementary students for the annual Fire Prevention Week in October. See page 1 for fire safety tips and remember smoke detectors save lives.



Lee Township has new (donated) signs to greet those who drive through our Township with our mantra "Working Together for a Better Tomorrow."



Fall fun this year included an Octoberfest fundraiser sponsored by Beautify Pullman, including kid's crafts, face painting, food, music and raffle; Trunk n' Treat in Diamond Supply parking lot; and the annual Fall Fest at the Linking Center. Thanks to all who helped out.



Pictured above: Thanks to a grant from the SW MI Solid Waste Consortium and a handful of volunteers, 886 tires from were removed from Lee Township.

Pictured right: 2021 celebrated the 20th year for Pullman Pride Day and \$1500 was raised for college scholarships for area youth. The day was full of fun with many activities including a flea market /craft fair, disc golf, community picnic, dunk tank, fishing tournament, soccer, Bingo, wood carver, live music, and drive-in movie.

A special history walk through downtown and chat with local historians was an added bonus this year, as was our first ever Pullman's Got Talent Show, Car Show, RC cars, and Unity Service in the ballpark celebrated by 5 area pastors. Huge thanks to our supportive community that helped organize the event, participated in, and donated to the scholarship fund.



NEWS & NOTES

- Lee Township Board meetings take place the second Monday of each month at 7:30 pm at the Township Hall, located at 877 56th Street, Pullman and are open to the public. Township following state and local health & safety and mask guidelines.
- Additional information @ www.leetwp.org or our Facebook page @ Lee Township Allegan County MI.
- Pullman Branch Library is open based on volunteer help. Hours posted on the window. Fennville District Library offers free library cards to Lee Twp. residents.
- Transfer Station hours SAT & SUN 9 am - 3 pm.
- The Lee Township newsletter can be viewed in Spanish on the Township website @ www.leetwp.org or pick up hard copy at Intercare lobby or Twp office lobby.

Cemetery

Grave sites must be kept within the rules that are posted in the cemetery and are available in print at the Township office. All decorations placed upon lots that become unsightly, will be removed without notice. All artificial decorations will be removed during spring and fall clean up.

Township Board Members & Department Staff Township Office 269-236-6485

Scott Owen, Supervisor 269-236-6485
Heather Friel, Clerk 269-236-6485
Jessie Lowery, Treasurer 269-434-6614
Ann Hatfield, Trustee 269-206-6196
Lisa Galdikas, Trustee 269-236-6119
Kyle Harris, Assessor 574-596-6566
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Ted Chamberlain, Fire Chief 269-543-2025
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Tyler Jackson, Twp. Deputy 269-673-0500
Lee Township Transfer Station 269-236-6485

Township Ordinances are available at the Township office or can be viewed on the Lee Township website @ www.leetwp.org.

Township Board Meeting Minutes can be viewed on the Lee Township website. @ www.leetwp.org.

Lee Twp Emergency Services Interested in serving as a fire fighter/first responder, contact Chief Ted Chamberlain at 269-543-2025.

Community Center is available for rent. Contact Ann Hatfield at trusteeah@leetwp.org or call 269-206-6196.

CHURCH NEWS

Check with Churches for updates on service times.

Bravo Christian Reform - 5587 113th Ave. (113th & 56th St.), Fennville, Pastor Duane Terpstra. 616-581-5295

Horseshoe Community Bible Church—4950 104th Ave., Grand Junction, Pastor Don Miller 269-521-4580. Sunday School 10am, worship 11am

Mt. Calvary MB Church - 5424 105th, PO Box 36, Pullman, Pastor Knox, 269-236-5225. Sunday 11am

New Hope Missionary Baptist Church - 558 58th St. Pullman, Rev. Caroline Black, 269-236-5693. Sun 11am

Pullman Bible Church - 5508 109th, Pullman, Pastor Jeff Stephens, 269-236-0409.

Pullman Church —915 North Ave., Pullman, Pastor Mike Jones. 616-350-0711. Thurs. 6pm & Sunday 10am

Ray of Light Church - 886 60th St., Pastor Mary Hoots, 236-6966.

Seventh Day Adventist Church - 671 52nd St., 236-5011, Pastor William Richardson 616-644-4153. Sat. 11am

2021 WINTER TAX INFORMATION

Due to the coronavirus, the following precautions are in place at the Township office for everyone's health and safety. We encourage mailing in your tax payment or putting check/money order payment in an envelope with your name and address in the drop slot at the Township office door. Receipts will be mailed if requested (write "mail receipt" on envelope). If paying by cash, the Treasurer will be in the office on Tuesdays and Fridays to accept cash payments. No change can be made so exact payment is required. Anyone entering the Township office is asked to wear a mask.

Tax bills will be mailed by December 1st. Please check your bill upon receipt for possible errors. Errors may be corrected at the **December Board of Review, Tuesday December 14th at 1:30pm at the Township Hall.**

The Treasurer will collect tax at the **Township Office** on **Tuesdays (9am – 12pm) and Fridays (9am - 4pm)** the months of December, January, and February. A 3% penalty will be added to winter tax paid after February 14, 2022. Payment must be received by due date, postmarks are not honored.

Unpaid Summer 2021 tax must be paid at the Township (interest added 1% per month beginning September 15, 2021). Beginning March 1, 2022, unpaid taxes (Summer & Winter) become delinquent and must be paid to the **ALLEGAN COUNTY TREASURER**, with an additional 4% penalty and 1.% interest per month. Verify the correct amount to be paid by contacting the County Treasurer's Office at 673-0260 or www.allegancounty.org.

Defer penalty and interest

Qualifying senior citizens or permanently disabled persons may defer penalty and interest on tax payments until April 30th for **Homeowner's Principal Residence only**. Notify the Township Treasurer to apply for a **Deferment Application** at the receipt of your tax bill.

For Disabled Veterans Exemption call the Township office or get the form from our website @ www.leetwp.org.

VFW Post 6134

The local VFW offers Friday dinners from 5-7pm which are open to the public with take-outs available. Billiard tournaments are held Fridays @ 6pm. Banquet room rental available. Post 6134 will be sponsoring families in need this holiday season. Check the Pullman VFW Post 6134 Facebook page for additional information and hours.

Ambulance Service

Residents can sign up for annual Lifecare+ membership at www.lifeems.com and click "Explore Memberships" at the bottom of the page. Annual cost per family \$49 with insurance or \$79 without insurance.

SAVE THE DATE for PULLMAN PRIDE 2022

There is so much to be proud of here in Lee Township we are celebrating for a whole weekend in 2022! **Pullman Pride Celebration will take place Friday June 3-Sunday June 5, 2022.** Preliminary plans include an outdoor movie on Friday night, activities throughout the day Saturday for children and adults, and a community Unity Prayer Service on Sunday at the ballpark. Keep an eye on Lee Township's Facebook page for updates.

Lee Township Newsletter
877 56th Street
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Pullman, MI 49450

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR LOCAL BUSINESSES!

BaleTech	Maynard's Custom Concrete
Baylor Buddy Johns	MiDroneBotics LLC
Bodtke Farms	Mobile Gas Station
Cemetery Monuments Sales	Mystic View Apartment
Champs Pet Care	Nikki's Chair
Channing Event Center	North Street Storage
Clemons Blueberries	Once Upon a Time Ceramics
Country Life Natural Foods	Pizza Plus
Dave's Tree Service	Preferred Market
Diamond Supply Station	Pullman Tavern (PT109)
Dollar General	Richwood Contracting
Dream House Development	Rusty Rocket Brewing
El Arcoiris Del Sabor	Shek Law Office
El Changarrito Mexican Store	Simpasrosa Riding Stables
InterCare Community Health	Supermarket El Arcoiris
JMJ Cleaning Service	VFW Post 6134
Laraway & Son Movers	Warner Camp
Marathon Gas Station	

PHP/LINKING CENTER HAPPENINGS

GED Classes: Mon & Wed 6:00 - 8:30PM

Food Pantry Hours: Wednesday & Friday Noon-3:00PM

After-School Youth Program: Pre-K - 5th Grade, Monday through Thursday 3:00 - 5:30pm; Middle & High School, Monday & Wednesday 6:00 - 8:00pm

Youth Ministry Activities: Thursdays, 6:00-8:00pm

Teen Ministry Activities: Sundays, 6:00-8:00pm

Worship Services: Sundays, 10:00am

Excitement is building as PHP prepares to break ground for the NEW food pantry. Questions on programs offered through PHP/ Linking Center contact jeff@phppullman.org or call 269-236-2001.

HELP IS AVAILABLE

If you or your family is in need this winter, please reach out to local agencies here to help.

- * The Linking Center, 925 56th St., 269-236-2001. Contact Jeff @ jeff@phppullman.org.
- * Allegan County Department of Human Services, 269-673-7700.
- * For information on COVID testing and vaccination sites: Allegan County Health Department 269-673-5411.
- * AA Meetings Wednesday 7-8pm @ Lee Twp. Community Center (915 56th St). Questions, Contact Michael @ 269-455-8886.

A note from Love INC Pullman Office-

After more than a decade of serving together Love INC will be entrusting their programs and activities in Lee Township to our longtime partner People Helping People. PHP has a vibrant vision for the Pullman area, including providing the same great services offered by Love INC. Our outstanding volunteers will continue to be there to serve the community, as will familiar faces from our staff. Our team is eagerly anticipating serving the community through the new food pantry being built by PHP. The transition of services will be completed in January of 2022. We thank all our many faithful supporters who have blessed us over the years and enabled our office to do such important work. We ask that you continue to support PHP as you have Love INC during this time of transition.

Lee Township extends our sincere appreciation to Martha Cerda and Love INC Pullman staff and volunteers for their dedication and years of service.