

# Lee Crossings



Lee Township, Allegan County, Michigan

Fall/Winter

2022

# The Lee Township Board would like to extend Happy Holiday Greetings to All!



ANNUAL TOWNSHIP HOLIDAY SOCIAL SATURDAY DECEMBER 3rd 6-8PM

The annual Lee Township Holiday Social will take place on Saturday December 3rd from 6-8pm at The Linking Center (925 56th St). 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 arrive for family photos & a gift for each child up to age 11. Cookies and hot chocolate will be served. All are welcome and encouraged to attend this free community event. Questions, contact Lisa @ 269-236-6119.

# TUESDAY NOVEMBER 8, 2022



Lee Township Hall 877 56<sup>th</sup> St, Pullman, MI MI poles open at 7:00am and close at 8:00pm.

Election questions or to request an absentee ballot, contact Heather Friel, Twp Clerk at clerk@leetwp.org or leave a message at 269-236-6485.

Sample ballots will be available for viewing on the Township Hall front window.

# IMPORTANT WINTER SAFETY TIPS

We hope everyone has a safe holiday season. Here are some safety reminders that could help save a life this winter. 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. Remember to:

- \* Test your smoke alarms & carbon dioxide detectors.
- \* Have your chimney cleaned if you burn wood.
- \* Do not leave electric heaters unattended. Do not use portable flameless chemical heaters indoors.
- \* Clean out your dryer filters. Change your furnace filter.
- \* 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.

Special thanks to our Lee Twp. Fire/EMS volunteers who work tirelessly to respond to emergencies 365 days a year. If you would like to join this dedicated team, contact Chief Chamberlain at 269-236-5988.

## WORKING TOGETHER FOR A BETTER TOMORROW

Lee Township continues to be blessed with business owners, residents, volunteers, and nonprofits all working to make sure the future of Lee Township is brighter than ever. Check the Lee Township FB page for event information. Here are some

highlights:

\*A message from Beautify Pullman...
Beautify Pullman is please to announce the opening of the Town Square! We are very grateful to the hundreds of volunteers and donors who made it all possible. If you have any questions contact Debbie Laraway at 269-236-6990. You can send a donation to Beautify Pullman to PO Box 231, Pullman, MI, 49450.



PHP/Linking Center Programs
GED & ESL Classes: Tues. 6-8:30pm & Thurs. 10-Noon

Food Pantry Hours: Wed. & Fri. Noon-

3:30pm

**After-School Program:** Pre-K - 5th Grade, Mon.-Thur. 3-5:30pm; Middle & HS, Mon. & Wed. 6-8pm

Youth Ministry: Thur. 6-8pm Worship Services: Sun. 10am Framing has begun on the new food pantry (photo below), with completion

expected by spring 2023.



Questions on programs offered through PHP/Linking Center contact jeff@phppullman.org or 269-236-2001.

# for Lee Township Community everyone welcome WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 23RD 925 56th st. Pullman, Michigan Linking Center 4p.m. - 6 p.m.



\*Lee Township Fire/EMS celebrated Fire Prevention Week by providing an interactive program for Pullman Elementary students. See page 1 for fire safety tips and remember smoke detectors save lives.

\*Thanks to a grant from the SW MI Solid Waste Consortium and a handful of volunteers, 1000 tires were removed from Lee Township.

\*An Octoberfest fundraiser sponsored by Beautify Pullman at the newly completed Town Square (pictured left) and German style meal offered at the VFW took place October 1.

\*West Michigan Ministries had their monthly Commodities Giveaway on October 19th.

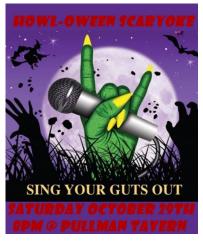
\*Thanks to many generous volunteers, there continues to be a variety of programs and events for children, families, and adults to celebrate this fall/winter season, including local VFW Post 6134 Trunk n' Treat Oct. 31, 5-7pm, Veterans Day dinner November 11, 5-7pm (free for all Veterans; small fee for non-vets), and annual VFW children's Christmas event December 18, 1-5pm.

# More community events you won't want to miss!









# Bloomingdale School District Winter/Spring Breaks /Events

\*November 23-25—Thanksgiving Break / No School

\*December 23-Jan 6—Winter Break/ No School

\*March 31-April 7—Spring Break/No School

\*June 6—Last Day of School (1/2 day)

# **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.
- 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 their 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.
- Election will be held at Township Hall 11/8/22.
- Donations for to the college Scholarship Fund can be mailed to Lee Township P.O. Box 427, Pullman, MI 49450, with "Pullman Pride" in the memo section. Applications are due by April 15 and can be found on Twp. website.

# 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 236-6485

Scott Owen, Supervisor 236-6485

Heather Friel, Clerk 269-365-7102

Jessie Lowery, Treasurer 434-6614

Ann Hatfield, Trustee 269-206-6196

Lisa Galdikas, Trustee 236-6119

Kyle Harris, Assessor 574-596-6566

Dan Poll, Building Inspector 673-3239

Ted Chamberlain, Chief, Fire & First Responder 236-5988

Tyler Jackson, Twp Deputy 673-0500

Lee Township Transfer Station 236-6485

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

<u>Township Board Meeting Minutes</u> can be viewed on the Lee Township website.

# **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.

**Iglesia Misionera en Pullman -** 915 North Ave., Pullman, Pastor Carlos Medina, (269)539-1176, Sun 5pm. **Mt. Calvary MB Church -** 5424 105th, PO Box 36, Pullman, Pastor Knox, 269-236-5225. Sunday 11:30am.

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

**Pullman Church** —915 North Ave., Pullman, Pastor Mike Jones. 616-350-0711. Adult Bible Study Thurs. 6pm & Service 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.

# **2023 WINTER TAX INFORMATION**

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 encouraged to wear a mask.

Tax bills will be mailed by December 1<sup>st</sup>. Please check your bill upon receipt for possible errors. Errors may be corrected at the **December Board of Review, Tuesday December 13th at 3pm at the Township Hall.** 

The Treasurer will collect tax at the <u>Township Office</u> on <u>Tuesdays</u> (9am – 12pm) and Fridays (9am – 3pm) the months of December, January, and February. A 3% penalty will be added to winter tax paid after February 14, 2023. <u>Payment must be received by duedate, postmarks are not honored.</u>

Unpaid Summer 2022 tax must be paid at the Township (interest added 1% per month beginning September 15, 2021). Beginning March 1, 2023, unpaid taxes (Summer & Winter) become delinquent and must be paid to the <u>ALLEGAN COUNTY TREASURER</u>, 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 <u>www.allegancounty.org</u>.

# Defer penalty and interest

Qualifying senior citizens or permanently disabled persons may defer penalty and interest on tax payments until April 30<sup>th</sup> 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. Looking ahead to spring, the Easter Basket giveaway is scheduled for April 1st. 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 \$59 with insurance or \$89 without insurance.

# SAVE THE DATE for PULLMAN PRIDE 2023

The annual Pullman Pride Celebration will be Saturday June 24, 2023. This event raises college scholarship funds for area youth and celebrates everything our community has to be proud of.

- ⇒ If you are a crafter/vendor and would like to reserve a spot, email Ann at trusteeah@leetwp.org.
- ⇒ Interested in participating in the Car Show email Mike at Mike@phppullman.org.
- ⇒ Donations to the Scholarship Fund can be sent to Lee Twp. PO Box 427, Pullman, MI 49450. Please write "Pullman Pride Scholarship" in memo section on check.
- ⇒ Keep an eye on Lee Township's Facebook page for updates on the day's activities.

Lee Township Newsletter 877 56th Street P.O. Box 427 Pullman, MI 49450

### PLEASE SUPPORT OUR LOCAL BUSINESSES!

BaleTech Baylor Buddy Johns Bodtke Farms Cemetery Monuments Sales Champs Pet Care Channing Event Center Clemons Blueberries Country Life Natural Foods Dave's Tree Service Diamond Supply Station Dollar General Dream House Development El Arcoiris Del Sabor El Changarrito Mexican Store InterCare Community Health Iva's Place Dog Boarding JMJ Cleaning Service Laraway & Son Movers Maynard's Custom Concrete MiDroneBotics LLC

Mobile Gas Station Mystic View Apartment Nikki's Chair North Street Storage Once Upon a Time Ceramics/Gifts Pizza Plus Preferred Market Pullman Knight Tire Pullman Petroleum (Marathon) Pullman Tavern (PT109) Richwood Contracting Rusty Rocket Brewing Sawmill Diamond Diner Shek Law Office Sigil Metaphysical Simpsarosa Riding Stables Supermarket El Arcoiris Taqueria La Tia Linda VFW Post 6134

# NEW BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT—SIGIL METAPHYSICAL

Lee Township welcomes Sigil Metaphysical, which offers crystals, gemstones, sage, incense, candles and metaphysical goods and services. Personlology and numerology readings by request. Text April Ferrell at 269-543-2334 for more



### 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 & vaccination sites: Allegan County Health Department 269-673 -5411.
- \* AA Meetings Wednesday 7-8pm at the Worship Center (915 56th St). Questions, Contact Michael @ 269-455-8886.
- \* West Michigan Ministries (WMM) provides food, clothing, and household goods giveaway the 3rd Wednesday of each month from 5-6pm to residents in need. Contact Carlos Lopez @ 616-834-2604 or email Los5471@yahoo.com for assistance or donations.
- \* Two transportation resources available to Lee Twp. residents. Community Action offers seniors rides for essential services like medical appointments on a donation basis. Contact # is 269-673-5472 ext. 261. Allegan County Transportation services requires a one-day notice (before Noon). Cost is \$1 one way for seniors within the county, \$2 non seniors, and \$5 one way for rides out of the county. Contact phone # 269-673-4229.

information or stop in during business hours. Sigil Metaphysical is located in the Once Upon a Time Ceramic & Gifts storefront at 5581 109th. Current hours are Wed-Sun 10am-4pm (hours subject to change).