

Lee Crossings



Lee Township, Allegan County, Michigan

Summer 2019

2019 DEE WESBEY MEMORIAL PULLMAN PRIDE SCHOARSHIP WINNERS

Lee Township awards 2, \$1000 college scholarships each spring, thanks to generous donors including the Wesbey family. This year's scholarships were awarded to **Abigail Gonzalez** and **Jennifer Martinez-Mendez** (pictured below, left to right). Both students are life long residents of Lee Township and Bloomingdale H. S. graduates.





Abigail and Jennifer's essays shared their dreams, struggles, and appreciation for the values instilled in them growing up in Pullman. They highlighted the sense of community, and caring from neighbors, business owners, and teachers from the very start of their education at Pullman Elementary. What some would see as having less opportunities coming from a small town, these two young ladies found profound opportunities which built trust, respect, and a bond to their community. They experienced firsthand the power of having a helping hand to get you through tough times. Through all this they have developed excellent communication skills, leadership skills, a passion to work hard and succeed, and a desire to give back to the community that helped shape them. Abigail will be attending University of Michigan and Jennifer is enrolled at Ferris State.



If you would like to donate to the Dee Wesbey Memorial Pullman Pride Scholarship fund you can mail your donation to: Lee Township, PO Box 427, Pullman, MI 49450.

Dee Wesbey, pictured left, was a resident of Lee Township and life long educator.

PULLMAN PRIDE DAY JULY 20TH

On <u>Saturday July 20</u>, Lee Township will celebrate Pullman Pride Day with activities throughout the day for all residents. This year's theme is "Working Together For A Better Tomorrow!" Come out and celebrate our community. All proceeds go toward college scholarships for Lee Township youth.

The Fire Department will hosts its Pancake Breakfast at the fire station on 109th from 8-12. All other activities will take place on the grounds of the Community Center, Linking Center and Love, INC (located just north of 109th on 56th St).

Pullman Pride Day Schedule Saturday July 20:

8am-Noon Pancake Breakfast @ Fire Station 9am-2pm Flea Market /Vendors/Crafters 11am-2pm Kids Games/Horse & Buggy Rides/

Inflatables

Face Painting sponsored by Lee Twp.

Royalty

Noon-2pm Free Community Picnic sponsored by

PHP & The Linking Center

5-8pm Outdoor seating @ The Pullman Tavern

with live music by Carter Lezman! Corn Hole Tournament & Big Jenga!

If you have questions call Lisa at 269-236-6119. If you would like information about a vendor booth contact Ann @ 269-206-6196 or email ann@loveincnwa.org.

MEMORIAL DAY CELEBRATION

The rain held off and the crowd came out to honor our service men and women during the annual Memorial Day parade and service at the cemetery, sponsored by



our local VFW Post 6134. Special thanks to Sandy Anderson for her years of service with the VFW.

The Linking Center Serves Pullman For One Year

My how time flies! It was June of 2018 when People Helping People (PHP) was putting the finishing touches on The Linking Center building project and preparing for its grand opening! Now a year later we are humbled by all that has happened through this facility. Thank you everyone who has served Pullman through The Linking Center. We have another exciting summer of activities planned. If you would like to join us in serving Pullman, please stop in!

Hungry for Christ Food Truck - June 26, from 6:00pm – 8:00pm. People Helping People is again partnering with Hungry for Christ for our annual food giveaway.

Springhill Day Camp - July 1-3 – This awesome camp experience will be hosted at The Linking Center. We are able to sign-up 60-80 elementary school aged students. This camp will have the full Springhill team including climbing towers, inflatables, games and much more! The cost is \$20. If that is too great an expense, your child can join in some fun youth fundraisers at The Linking Center. To register your child or to learn more visit phppullman.org/the-linking-center/youth-activities.

The Linking Center Summer Youth Drop-In program – Mondays – Thursdays 12:30pm – 4:00pm July 15- August 15. Lunch will be served when youth arrive, and a sack dinner will be available for them to take home. We are partnering with Pullman Elementary for this program, it is sure to be a fun/educational summer of activities and field trips!

Summer Picnic – People Helping People is again hosting its summer picnic with many fun activities for the youth/family including a great (free) lunch! This year, we are hosting our picnic in collaboration with Pullman Pride Day, Saturday, July 20. Activities start at 11:00am and conclude at 2:00pm.

Closed – The Linking Center will be closed the weeks of July 9, August 18 and August 25.

For more information on these or anything else happening with People Helping People and The Linking Center, please feel free to stop in and see Jeff or Melinda or call 269-236-2001.



If you haven't heard, Meals on Wheels Western Michigan is providing services in Allegan County. To be eligible you must be over 60 and homebound. Meals are delivered MWF and there is a program where you can choose the meals you receive. To learn more call 616-459-3111 or go online to www.mealsonwheelswesternmichigan.org.

Love, INC Celebrates 10 Years in Pullman

Love, INC Pullman is grateful for the opportunity to have served the needs of Lee Township residents and the surrounding area for the past 10 years. We feel blessed by the many wonderful relationships established and look forward to the next 10 years. So far in 2019, 501 families have received food assistance and personal care items; 48 families were helped with utility bills; and 50 families received resources from the baby pantry. Love, INC programs and office benefited from over 1300 volunteer hours.

Applications will be accepted for Back to School backpacks starting July 8 at the office on 56th St. Any questions, call 269-236-6295 or email ann@loveincnwa.org.



Pullman "Day of Caring" volunteers cleaning up in May

Disc Golf Coming to Lee Township

A new 9-hole disc golf course is being developed behind Pullman School and play will be free. Please contact Doug Bale at 269-236-6206 if you'd enjoy helping to complete the course.

Lee Township Welcomes New Deputy

Deputy **Dekota Tatrow** came to Lee Township this

spring after 5 years of service with Allegan County and is already familiar with our community and many of our residents. He is here to serve and protect our community. If you have any questions or concerns, call 269-673-0500 and leave a message.



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.
- Be sure to check out the official Lee Township website for additional information at www.leetwp.org or our Facebook page @ Lee Township Allegan County MI.
- Anyone with information for the newsletter can call the Township office at 236-6485, send to P.O. Box 427, Pullman, MI 49450 or email to trusteelg@leetwp.org.
- Pullman Branch Library is open based on volunteer help. Hours posted on their window. Fennville District Library offers free library cards to Lee Township residents.
- Transfer Station open 9 am–3 pm Saturday and Sunday.

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 (artificial flower, plastic baskets, etc.) placed upon lots that become unsightly, will be removed without notice. All artificial decorations will be removed during spring and fall clean up.

General Township Information

Lee Township borders are 60th Street, 48th Street, Baseline Road and 112th Avenue, encompassing 23,040 acres, and the 2000 Census reported a population of 4,114. Lee Township is home to Pullman Elementary School; Lower Scott Lake (township park and beach, public boat access); Upper Scott Lake (public boat access); Osterhout Lake (public beach and boat access); Lester Lake, Clear Lake; Springbrook Lake; and Middle Branch of the Black River. Lee Township Cemetery is located at 53rd and 105th Ave.

Township Board Members & Department Staff Township Office 236-6485

Scott Owen, Supervisor 236-6485
Jacquelyn Ann King, Clerk 236-5129
Jessie Lowery, Treasurer 434-6614
Steppney (Steve) Black, Trustee 236-5693
Lisa Galdikas, Trustee 236-6119
Kyle Harris, Assessor 574-596-6566
Dan Poll, Building Inspector 673-3239
Ted Chamberlain, Fire Chief 236-5988
Albert Rawson, First Responders 434-6477
Dakota Tatrow, Twp Deputy 673-0500
Lee Township Transfer Station 236-6485

<u>Township Ordinances</u> are available at the Township office or can be viewed at the official Lee Twp. website.

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

<u>Lee Twp. Volunteer Fire Dept</u>. If you would like to learn more about serving as a fire fighter please contact Chief Ted Chamberlain at 269-236-5988.

<u>Community Center</u> is available for rent. Contact Vicky Brown at 269-236-9350. Program suggestions welcomed.

The Lee Township Board welcomes all comments and suggestions either by mail, e-mail, fax or left at the office.

CHURCH NEWS

Bravo Christian Reform - 5587 113th Ave. (113th & 56th St.), Fennville, Pastor Mark Douglas.. Service times: Sunday 9:50 am. Sonshine Thrift Store Tues-Sat 10-4. Something for everyone. Donations accepted.

Horseshoe Community Bible Church—4950 104th Ave., Grand Junction, Pastor Don Miller 269-521-4580 or 269-650-1652. Service times: Sunday 11 am and 6 pm.. Sunday School 10am. Bible Study Wednesday 6:30 pm.

Mt. Calvary MB Church - 5424 105th, PO Box 36, Pullman, Pastor Knox, 269-236-5225. Service times: Sunday School 10 am; Morning Worship 11:30 am.

New Hope Missionary Baptist Church - 558 58th St. Pullman, Pastor Steppney Black, 236-5693 or 5722. Service times: Sunday School 9:30 am; Morning Worship 11 am. Pullman Bible Church - 5508 109th, Pullman, Pastor Jeff Stephens, 236-0409. Service times: Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 11 am; Prayer Meeting Wednesday 7:30 pm. Pullman Church —915 North Ave. Service time: Thursday 6:30 dinner served with service following.

Ray of Light Church - 886 60th St., Pastor Mary Hoots, 236-6966. Service times: Sunday Worship 10 am - noon and 6 - 8 pm; Family Training Wednesday 6:30 pm.

Seventh Day Adventist Church - 671 52nd St., 236-5011, Pastor William Richardson 616-644-4153. Worship Services: Sabbath school- Saturday 9:30 am; Divine worship 11 am; Bible Study Thursday 6 pm.

SUMMER 2019 TAX INFORMATION

The Treasurer will collect tax at the <u>Township Office</u> on <u>Fridays (9 AM-12 PM & 1-5 PM)</u> the months of July, August and September. Interest will be added to taxes paid after <u>September 17th. POSTMARKS NOT HONORED</u>. Summer Tax 2019 must be paid to Lee Township Treasurer until February 28, 2020.

Summer deferment Form may be filed to defer payment of interest on principal residence of persons 62 years of age or older or property that is classified or used as agricultural property until the time that winter taxes are due. Forms are available at the Township office, www.leetwp.org and www.allegancounty.org. The form must be filed with the Township Treasurer by September 13, 2019.

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

The Assessor has authorized the Board of Review to convene on <u>July 16th at 3:00pm.</u> July BOR is to correct any mutual mistake of fact or clerical errors on tax notice. <u>Notify the Treasurer or Assessor of any necessary corrections upon receipt of tax bill.</u>

Fire District Hearing is scheduled for July 8, 2019 at 7:00pm at the Township Hall. Lee Twp. Fire Department ISO rating has been upgraded to 8B. Check with your homeowners insurance company for possible discounts.

Master Plan Meeting dates are scheduled for June 24, September 23, and November 25, 6:30-8 pm at the Twp. Hall.



Election will be held on August 6 with polls open from 7am-8pm at the Township Hall. Please remember to come out to vote.

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BLIGHT-A Health & Safety Concern for All

It is the responsibility of each property owner/tenant to keep your property cleaned up. The next Township sponsored free dump days for residents at the Transfer Station are Thursday June 20, Saturday June 22, Saturday August 17 and Sunday August 18. Thank you to everyone who helped with the successful community clean-up in May.

Materials the Transfer Station does **NOT** accept:

- Asbestos
- Paint cans that have any wet paint
- Liquids or Hazardous materials
- Roofing shingles, construction debris
- Cylinders (Propane, Oxygen, Helium)
- Yard waste, dirt, rock, concrete or sand
- Burn Barrels/Ash
- Items containing Freon (fridge, freezer, AC)
 The Transfer Station accepts tires (off rim) for \$5 a tire.

Dumping of tires or other trash is a crime and anyone caught will be prosecuted.

SUPPORT OUR LOCAL BUSINESSES

BaleTech
Baylor Buddy Johns
Bodtke Farms
Cemetery Monuments Sales
Clemons Blueberries
Country Life Natural Foods
Dave's Tree Service
Dollar General
Down Under Mini Storage
Dream House Development
Garcia's Supermercado
InterCare Community Health
JMJ Cleaning Service
La Poblanita Supermercado
Laraway & Son Movers

Marathon Gas/Shop
Maynard's Custom Concrete
Mobile Gas Station
Mystic View Apartments
North Street Storage
Northwoods Café
Once Upon a Time
Pizza Plus
Preferred Market
Pullman Tavern
Shear Fantasy Beauty Shop
Shek Law Office
Simpsarosa Riding Stables
VFW Post 6134
Warner Camp

The Lee Township newsletter can be viewed in Spanish on the Township website www.leetwp.org.