

Lee Township, Allegan County, Michigan

## Proposed School Bond Issue Vote Tuesday, August 7<sup>th</sup> No Increase in Current Millage Rate

The Pullman part of the proposed bond issue is to remove the Pullman Industries Building and redo the site with a playground, community pavilion, basketball courts, walking trails and park lighting. This facility would be open for community use. (the picture below is the site plan for this school/community park.)

Other parts of the proposal are improving the facilities at Bloomingdale Elementary, Middle School, High School and a new bus maintenance garage. Elementary-new music room, playground equipment and playground surface. Middle School-remodeling the special ed. Classroom. High School-remodeling 2 science labs and improving/adding the football field, track, baseball field with bleachers, dugouts, scoreboard, ticket booth, restrooms, and press box. Bus garage-to become a district maintenance facility and build a new bus garage.

The total cost for renovating and adding to the school district's facilities is \$4.9 million. The reason that the millage will not increase is because the bond in 2001 was refinanced in later years at a much lower interest rate. Because of this, the 29-year bond issue could be paid off 8 years earlier. The proposed vote would allow the school district to keep the pay off date as originally planned, not paying off the bond early.

#### Additional Information at Pullman Elementary Study the issue and Vote August 7<sup>th</sup>!



## Pullman Pride Scholarship Winner-Sandra Echevarria

Congratulations to Sandra! Here are some excerpts from her winning essay about her



Pullman Pride: "Living in a small town like Pullman, Lee Township has actually been a pleasure to me. I have been living here since I was four or five years old. So I actually know this community well, because it watched me grow. I am a senior at Fennville High School, who wishes to go to college. I never thought that living in a small community and enjoying it would actually help me get a scholarship and help me reach my goal. There are plenty of good qualities in living in a small community. I live on 60<sup>th</sup> Street where it is all Hispanic like myself, and about three Caucasian houses, and I can say we all get along very well, and if one needs something we can ask around. Not only that but knowing everybody can make you feel safe, and a feeling of comfort. Not only that we also have our Intercare Clinic and dental programs here in Pullman, very useful resources. What would this town be without our "El Palenque" dance place? I love going there on Saturdays. The community has changed a lot from what I remember but one thing that has not changed is my goal of one day attending college. I plan on going to GRCC or KVCC and then transferring to Western Michigan University to become a nurse.

## PULLMAN PRIDE DAY SET FOR SATURDAY JULY 21<sup>ST</sup>

You won't want to miss this! A day full of activities for Lee Township residents of all ages! Activities will run from 9:00am-5:00pm and will be located at Pullman Elementary school, the ball fields adjacent and the Lee Township Hall/Fire Station. Start your day at the Pancake Breakfast at the VFW and stay in town to enjoy the craft show, silent auction, children's artwork, great food, music, games and rides. There will also be a horseshoe tournament, car show and even Bingo! Remember Pullman Pride raises money to award college scholarships to graduating seniors from Lee Township.

If you have any questions about the days activities or would like to help out in any way please contact Pullman Pride chairperson Pam Rawson at 269-434-6477.

## Summer 2007

## Allegan County Habitat/Local Lions Club Partners to Build Accessible House in Pullman

On March 27<sup>th</sup>, Ray Harz, Lions District Governor presented Jerry Bohl, Treasurer for Allegan County Habitat with a check for \$6,000 to kick off a fund raising partnership between Habitat and the local Lions Clubs. The funds being raised will help build a handicap accessible house for a family of five in Pullman. Local Lions Clubs that have committed to the project are from Allegan , Dorr, Fennville, Hopkins, Martin and Otsego. Besides raising money, these clubs will volunteer and recruit volunteers to actually help build the house-a 4 bedroom, energy-efficient, affordable, accessible model.

Allegan County Habitat for Humanity, a Christian, nonprofit organization, has been building simple, decent, affordable house in Allegan County since 1997. This house will be their seventh, and will help celebrate their 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary. It is also the first time they have built an accessible house for a family with three disabled members. If you would like to support this project and help give hope to a deserving family, make the checks out to Allegan County Habitat (so the donation is taxdeductible), put "Lions Project" in the memo, and mail to 330 Trowbridge Street, Allegan, Michigan 49010. For more information about Habitat, or to volunteer for the project, call the office at 269-673-0136 or Judy Bohl, Secretary at 269-694-6249. Habitat hopes to get the family in their new home by Thanksgiving.



#### Oak Haven/Country Life Upcoming Events....

- Free Community Blueberry U-pick (based on availability) July 8<sup>th</sup> 5-8 pm. (1 gallon per person please bring your own containers)
- Vacation Bible School July 16-20, 6-8 pm, ages 6-12.
- Oak Haven Annual Convention- July 27 (7 pm) and 28<sup>th</sup> (9 am).
- Free Monthly Nutrition and Cooking Classes-Fall – Spring

*For more information, contact <u>mail@clnf.org</u> or 1-800-456-7694* 

## OAK HAVEN/COUNTRY LIFE "Serving the Community for 45 years"

If you head east from the center of Pullman and turn south on  $52^{nd}$  Street, it won't be long before you "bump into" Oak Haven. If you've never been there, you might be pleasantly surprised to learn that this little place has a lot to offer the community!

Oak Haven is a far-reaching health ministry that was established in 1962. Dr. E.B. Johnson was one of the men who pioneered this project. He was loved and respected throughout Allegan County for being such a kind and caring physician-well known in the community for going the extra mile with house calls to his patients, long after house calls were in the vogue. To this day, Oak Haven continues its legacy of caring for the spiritual, mental, and physical well-being of all through its business, services, and programs. For the last 20 years or so, Oak Haven has been home for the Pullman Seventh-day Adventist Church, together serving the community with a common goal found in the Scriptures: "Beloved, I wish above all things that you may prosper and be in health, even as your soul prospers." III John 2

Oak Haven's influence is felt near and far. People of all faiths come from miles around to shop at the Country Life Natural Foods Store, a division of Oak Haven, where good nutrition and good prices are met with friendly service. County Life store manager Jorine Rollins, R.N., says, "In the 40 years I've been nursing, this is my favorite job. I love getting to know the people in the community, and assisting them in healthy lifestyles." Often, people feel shackled with bad habits or trapped in unhealthy lifestyles. They are glad to find caring staff that can help.

Free health education classes are conducted at Oak Havenas well as in surrounding communities, throughout the United States, and on televised network when requested. Elementary school and community health fairs, Reversing Diabetes Seminars, Stress Management and Stop Smoking Seminars, weight loss classes, in-home classes, cooking schools, nutrition seminars, and school group field trip programs are just a few of the things that have been going on over the years, right around your corner! And while health education continues, Country Life employees are also busy in the office, store, and warehouse, with customers, granola manufacturing, food packaging, UPS shipments, and truck deliveries to over 15 states.

So the next time you wonder what Oak Haven is all about, stop by and see what we have to offer. Contact us if we can be of service to you, your family, your school, or church.



# **Featured Church**

#### GETTING TO KNOW..... Christ Gospel Church of Pullman

Pastors Fred & Mary Hoyt At the Christ Gospel Church of Pullman, we are a diverse church family where spiritual growth is emphasized, and where our desire is to be more like Jesus everyday.

You will find us to be sincere group of Christians who want to live Christ centered lives, and who worship Him with exuberance. You might see us outwardly demonstrating our love for Him in ways like lifting our hands and praying and interceding out loud. Feel free to join us or silently adore Him. Yes, we are a little different than some churches, because we really get down to business in learning and worshipping with freedom of expression. Perhaps you've been looking for a church where you may openly express your love for the Savior. We'd love to have you visit us; we will go all out to make you feel at home.

## **CHURCH NEWS**

**Bravo Christian Reform**-1317 56<sup>th</sup> St, Fennville, Pastor Don Jabaay, 236-5500. Service Times: Sunday 10am; House of Mercy (emergency food and clothing) Wednesday 12:30-3pm; Family Night Worship/free dinner Wednesday 5:30pm; Celebrate Recovery Thursday, dinner @6:30/meeting @7 pm. New Hope Missionary Baptist Church-558 58<sup>th</sup>, Pastor Steppney Black, 236-5693 or 5722. Service Times: Sunday School 9:30am; Morning worship 11am; Bible Class and Prayer Service Tuesday 6pm. Pullman Bible Church-5508 109th, Pastor Jeff Stephens, 236-0409. Service Times: Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 11am; Prayer Meeting Wednesday 7:30pm. **Pullman Christ Gospel Church**—915 56<sup>th</sup> St. (P.O. Box 102), Rev. Fred & Mary Hoyt, 236-6316, 236-5701. Service Times: Sunday School 10:00 am; Sunday service 11:00 am and 6:00 pm; Wednesday night service 7:00 pm; Friday night service 7:00 pm. **Pullman Country Chapel-**5769 106<sup>th</sup> Ave. Pastor Henry Lopez, 236-9869. Service Times: Sunday School 10am and Worship Sunday at 11am & 6pm and Wednesday at 7pm; ladies prayer meeting every other Friday at 7pm; children's program the  $2^{nd}$  Saturday of each month from Noon-2pm; Spanish service on Saturday at 7pm in the summer months; and Vacation Bible School in August. Ray of Light Church-886 60<sup>th</sup> St., Pastor Mary Hoots, 236-6966. Service Times: Sunday Worship 10am-Noon and 6-8pm; Family Training Wednesday 6:30pm. Hosts annual Easter Egg Hunt for children in the community. Seventh Day Adventist Church-671 52<sup>nd</sup> St., 236-5011, Pastor Mike Szynkowski, 1-888-222-5605. Service Times: Saturday Bible Study 9:20am and Worship at 11.

## ALLEGAN COUNTY OUTDOOR SIREN WARNING PROGRAM

Lee Township Fire Department has installed a new outdoor warning device. The siren is located at 877 56<sup>th</sup> St., Pullman. The primary use of the siren will be to warn of severe weather warnings issued for Allegan County. It would also be sounded in the event of an enemy attack or act of terrorism that affects our area. When the siren activates you will hear a 3-minute "steady" tone. At this time you should seek immediate shelter.

# The siren will be tested the 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of each month at 11:00am.

## NEW TRANSFER STATION HOURS

Effective June 30<sup>th</sup> the transfer station will be open Saturday and Sunday only from 9:00am-3:00pm. The transfer station will no longer be open on Wednesday evenings.

Each Taxpayer will receive two (2) tickets in the summer 2007 tax bill to be used by <u>township residents only</u> for a free dump load at their leisure. Additional tickets, for multiple property owners with rental homes, can be picked up at the township office on Fridays or by contacting a board member. \*Tickets received prior to July 2007 will not be honored.

Remember recycling (newspaper, shredded paper, cardboard, magazines, and clean glass/plastic/cans) is free.

## CLEAN TEAM CONTINUES TO SHOW ITS "PULLMAN PRIDE"

Any resident is welcome to join the volunteers of the "Clean Team" who get together once a month to pick up roadside trash and work on improving the beauty and integrity of our Township. This is one committee that does not require any special talents...just a dedication to your community and a few hours of your time a month. The next Clean Team clean-up dates are:

Sunday July 22 Sunday August 19 Saturday September 22 Sunday October 21 All volunteers are asked to meet at the Township hall at 10:00am.

## THREE NEW ADDITIONS TO OUR FIRE DEPARTMENT

At a recent township meeting Chief DeWeerd introduced Matthew Martin, Zachary Kasinger and Ronald Rose as recent additions to the 23 other volunteer firefighters for Lee Township. The three young men completed the firefighting 1 & 2 training and have been fitted with their gear. The cost for training and equipment for one volunteer exceeds \$5000. The township and its residents extend a sincere thank you to these men and all the volunteers on the Fire Department and First Responders who serve our community.

## MEMORIAL DAY MEMORABLE FOR LEE TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS

Many of Lee Township residents lined 109th Ave on Monday May 28<sup>th</sup> to enjoy the parade of fire trucks, Bloomingdale Marching Band, the Shriners, children on their bikes, several area groups, and the Casco Band make their way through town. What a wonderful display of pride and honor for all those who have served our country. The tribute continued after the parade at the Lee Township cemetery where Pastor Hoyt said the invocation, Melissa Elhers sang the National Anthem and Commissioner Tom Jessup was the keynote speaker. The cemetery was decorated with flowers and flags placed on all veterans graves. This marks the second year since the Veterans Memorial monument was placed at the center of the cemetery. Special thanks to the cemetery committee and VFW Post 6134 for all their hard work and planning in making each Memorial Day memorable.





## **NEWS & NOTES**

- Lee Township Board meetings take place the second Monday of each month at 7:30pm at the Township Hall and are open to the public.
- Be sure to check out the official Lee Township Website for additional information at: <u>www.leetwp.org</u>
- Keep our community clean and take down garage sale signs after your sale is over.
- Anyone with information for the newsletter can call the Township office at 236-6485. email to <u>leetwp@i2k.com</u> or send to P.O. Box 427 Pullman, MI 49450
- Pullman Branch Library is open Tues. & Thurs. 2-6 pm and Sat. 10am-Noon.
- Board has approved the budget for the fiscal year April
  1, 2007 to March 31, 2008.

   General Fund:
   Revenues \$610,135.80
   Expenses \$773,677.75

   Fire Department: Revenue \$233,786.03

   Expenses \$233,786.06
   First Responders: Revenues \$72,996.72
   Expenses \$45,633.00
- Fire District Hearing: To discuss the 2008 Mileage rates will be held on July 9, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.
- Be sure to call 686-5222 for a burn permit.

## **General Township Information**

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

## Township Board Members & Department Staff

## Township Office 236-6485

John Schlaack, Supervisor 236-0987 (new office hours: second Saturday from 8am-Noon) Jacquelyn King, Clerk 236-6446 Jessie Lowery, Treasurer 434-6614 Steppney (Steve) Black, Trustee 236-5693 Donna Christiansen, Trustee 236-5734 Doug Brousseau, Assessor 699-7619 Paul Shamblin, Building Inspector 628-5255 Nelvin DeWeerd, Fire Chief 236-5492 Ted Chamberlain, Asst Chief 236-5988 Albert Rawson, First Responders 434-6477 Phil Arnsman and Bill Greene, Twp. Deputies 673-0500 Lee Township transfer station 236-6485 **Township Ordinances** (hard copies are available at the township office or the official Lee Twp. website)-

#2003 Disorderly Conduct #2009 Motor Vehicle Code #2011 Animal Control #2012 Anti-noise & Public Nuisance #2013 Trash & Leaf Burning #2016 Curfew #2017 Plumbing Code #2020 Cemetery #2021 Dangerous Buildings #2022 Litter #2023 Vehicle Storage & Repair #2024 Salvage Yard #2025 Blight Elimination #2026 Single Family Residences #2027 Motor Vehicle #2028 State Construction Code

## 2007 SUMMER TAX

**Tax bills are in the mail.** The Treasurer will collect tax at the Township Office on **Friday's 9 am – 5 pm** the months of July, August and September. Interest penalty will be added to taxes paid after <u>September</u> <u>14, 2007.</u> Summer Tax 2007 can be paid to Lee Township Treasurer until February 29, 2008.

Summer Deferments may be filed to defer payment of tax 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. Complete a form available through the Treasurer's office or <u>www.leetwp.org</u> to receive the deferral. The form must be filed by September 14, 2007.

The Board of Review will convene on July 17, 2007 to correct any mutual mistake of fact or clerical errors on tax notices. Notify the Treasurer or Assessor of any necessary corrections upon receipt of tax bill.

This year all of the county's allocated millage will be collect on the summer 2007 tax bill. The county's allocated millage will not be collected on the winter 2007 tax bill. The 6 mills State Education Tax (S.E.T.) is collected on the summer bill and the winter bill will no longer reflect this tax.

#### **May Election Results**

Bloomingdale Public Schools voters approved the oneyear renewal of the 18 mills non homestead property tax levy and Joel Lemmer was elected to a 4 year term of office on the school board. Fennville School voters also voted to continue the levy of 18 mills on all nonhomestead property. Doug Welsch was elected to a 4 year term on the Fennville School board.

# From the desk of Officers Greene and Arnsman:

Lee Township residents who would like to report an ordinance violation can drop off their concern in writing to the township office. Please include a description of the violations (i.e. junk cars, trash, etc.), location of violation (an address would be helpful), name of owner/resident (if you know it), and your name and phone number if you would like to be contacted. You can leave the officers a message at 269-673-0500.

P.S. IT'S A BOY! Congratulations to Officer Greene and his wife on the birth of their second child!

## FIRE AT THE RAWSON TREE FARM

In May, a fire started by arson at the Rawson's tree farm consumed 6 acres of trees, narrowly missing nearby homes. Due to the quick action by the Lee Township Fire Department and other firefighters from neighboring communities, the blaze was extinguished. A reward of up to \$5,000 is offered for the conviction of the arsonist.



## Lee Township Regular Board Meetings Synopsis of Minutes

#### March 12, 2007

**Board Comments:** Supervisor's Comments-Supervisor Schlack announced that the first day of the Board of Review held March 13<sup>th</sup> from 3:00 pm. to 9:00 p.m. with a wrap up session on March 14<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am. The Annual Budget Hearing and Annual Meeting will be on March 31<sup>st</sup> at 10:00 am. A special thank you was given to Sandra Kasinger and Cheryl Irey for all their dedicated service for their years as First Responders.

#### **Approved Motions:**

 $\checkmark$  Motions were made to approve the minutes from the February 12<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> meetings and also to accept the treasurer's report as presented.

✓ Motion was made by Lowery and seconded by Christensen to accept the proposed Transfer Station/ Parks Superintendent position on a temporary 6 months basis as a salaried position starting April 1<sup>st</sup>. Roll Call vote: Yes- Black, Christensen, Lowery, Schlack and King. ✓ Motion was made by Christensen and seconded by Black to authorize the Clerk to publish the Annual Budget Meeting/Annual Meeting for the  $31^{st}$  of March at 10:00 am at the Lee Township Hall. Roll Call vote taken: Yes – Black, Christensen, Lowery, Schlack, King. Motion carries.

✓ Motion was made by Black and seconded by Christensen to authorize the payment of bills in the amount of \$44,674.00. Roll Call vote: Yes : Black, Christensen, Lowery, Schlack and King. Motion carries.

## April 9, 2007

**Supervisor's Comments**: Supervisor Schlack announced with the arrival of Spring, there have been some concerns regarding blighted areas that have been uncovered by the melting of the snow. Anyone who has a complaint/concern regarding blight, can put their complaint/concern in writing and place in a sealed envelope in the slot in the Lee Township office door. All written complaints/concerns will be responded to.

#### **Motions Approved:**

 $\checkmark$  Motions were made to approve the minutes from the March 12<sup>th</sup> Regular and 31<sup>st</sup> Annual meetings and to receive the treasurer's report as presented.

✓ Motion was made by Christensen and seconded by Lowery to approve the purchase of a fire hose tester not to exceed \$3,000.00. Roll call vote was taken: Yes – Black, Christensen, Lowery, Schlack and King. Motion carries.

✓ Motion was made by Christensen and seconded by Black to approve the proposed "Free Dump" tickets for the transfer station. All voted "Aye". Motion carries.

✓ Motion was made by Christensen and seconded by Lowery to authorize the clerk to publish the Cemetery Spring Clean-Up for May  $1^{st}$ . Roll call vote taken: Yes – Black, Christensen, Lowery, Schlack and King. Motion carries.

✓ Motion was made by Christensen and seconded by Black to authorize the Cemetery Committee to purchase flowers, not to exceed \$30.00. Roll call vote taken: Yes- Black, Christensen, Lowery, Schlack and King. Motion carries.

 $\checkmark$  Motion was made by Lowery and seconded by Christensen to authorize the payment of the debt crew prior to Memorial Day to do the clean up of leaves.

Roll call vote was taken: Yes – Black, Christensen, Lowery, Schlack and King. Motion carries.

✓ Motion was made by Lowery and seconded by Black to have Supervisor Schlack contact Larry's Loads to get a cost quote. Roll call vote was taken: Yes – Black, Christensen, Lowery, Schlack and King. Motion carries. ✓ Motion was made by Christensen and seconded by Lowery to publish a request for bids to be submitted for mowing. Roll call vote was taken: Yes – Black, Christensen, Lowery, Schlack and King. Motion carries.

✓ Motion was made by Lowery and seconded by Christensen to accept the approved bid by the Allegan County Road Commission to replace the 104<sup>th</sup> Street bridge. Roll call vote was taken: Yes – Black, Christensen, Lowery, Schlack. No- King. Motion carries.

✓ Motion was made by Christensen and seconded by Lowery to accept the bid for the approved work to be done on 60<sup>th</sup> Street from 102<sup>nd</sup> to 104<sup>th</sup> at the \$17,500.00, which was Lee Township's portion. Roll call vote was taken: Yes – Black, Christensen, Lowery, Schlack and King. Motion carries. ✓ Motion was made by Lowery and seconded by Black to approve the land split as presented by Assessor Brousseau for Christie at 50<sup>th</sup> Street, Pullman. Roll call vote was taken: Yes – Black, Christensen, Lowery, Schlack and King. Motion carries. ✓ Motion was made by Lowery and seconded by Black to pay the bills as presented. Roll call vote was taken: Yes – Black, Christensen, Lowery, Schlack and King. Motion carries.

## April 16, 2007

The purpose of the Special Meeting was to make the final amendments to the 2006/2007 budget.

#### **Motions Approved**

✓ Motion was made by Christensen and seconded by Lowery to approve the recommended budget amendments as presented. Roll call vote was taken: Yes-Christensen, Lowery, Schlack and King. Motion carries.

 $\checkmark$  Motion was made by Christensen and seconded by King to approve the recommended adjustments to the Revenue on the Budget of 2006/2007 to be actual instead of proposed.

Roll call vote taken: Yes – Christensen, Lowery, Schlack and King. Motion carries.

## May 14, 2007

**Supervisor's Comments**: Supervisor Schlack has announced that he will hold office hours the second Saturday of every month from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. He also stated that he could be reached by phone at his residence and encouraged messages to be left, if he wasn't available at the time of the call. Supervisor Schlack turned over the remaining comment section to Jerry Bohl from Allegan County Habitat for Humanity. Mr. Bohl announced that a family from Lee Township would be one of five families in Allegan County to receive a new home. This family would receive a home to accommodate specials needs complete with a ramp and fenced in backyard for the children. Mr. Bohl also wanted to thank our building inspector for working quickly to get the process started. Construction will start in June and the home should be ready to move in around November.

## **Motions Approved:**

✓ Motions were approved for the acceptance of the minutes of the April 9<sup>th</sup> Regular and April 16<sup>th</sup> Special meeting and to receive the treasurer's report as presented.

✓ Motion was made by Black and seconded by Lowery to pay Lee Township's share of \$4,267.00 of roof repair to Emergency Services. Roll call vote was taken: Yes – Black, Christensen, Lowery, Schlack and King. Motion carries.

✓ Motion was made by Christensen and seconded by Black to authorize the Clerk to publish the changes in the Transfer Station hours twice in two local papers and the June  $30^{th}$  deadline for using the old free dump coupons. Roll call vote was taken: Yes – Black, Christensen, Lowery, Schlack and King. Motion carries.

✓ Motion was made by Black and seconded by Lowery to approve the Land Split for Mars located at  $109^{\text{th}}$  Avenue as presented an approved by Assessor Brousseau. Roll call vote was taken: Yes – Black, Christensen, Lowery, Schlack and King. Motion carries.

✓ Motion was made by Christensen and seconded by Lowery to authorize the payment of the bills in the amount of \$65,274.86. Roll call vote was taken: Yes – Black, Christensen, Lowery, Schlack and King. Motion carries.

✓ Motion was made to authorize payment for the May Election workers in the amount of \$697.52. Roll call vote was taken: Yes – Black, Christensen, Lowery, Schlack and King. Motion carries.

A complete official version of the minutes can be requested from the Township office or downloaded from the official Lee Township website <u>www.leetwp.org</u>



# Springtime in Lee Township

Photos taken by Donna Allgaier-Lamberti



Even an old shack and apple trees in blossom becomes an image of rural beauty in the Michigan spring.



A simple white wall becomes a "still life" painting set off by the blooms of the white native dogwood.

#### For Kids Sake!

During the summer there are many kids riding bikes and walking on the shoulder. When you see this activity, please slow down. You cannot always tell what move kids might make next. If you see any unusual activity, like kids playing in traffic, please report this to the township deputies. Kids playing in traffic has in the past been noticed on 54<sup>th</sup> Street between Baseline and 102<sup>nd</sup> Avenue. Let's all be careful out there.

## SUPPORT OUR LOCAL BUSINESSES

Al's Citgo **Back Door Video Baylor Buddy Johns Belitas Market Bell's Grocery Bodtke Farms Cericola's Banquet and Hall Rental Clemons Blueberries Country Life Natural Foods & Store Dave's Tree Service Dream House Development H & F Electronics** InterCare Community Health Network **Jillian Country Clipn's** LaTienda Store Laraway & Sons Movers Larson Hardware **Maynard's Customized Concrete** Mrs. Earl's Greenhouse

**Nolan's Party Store** Northwood Café Pat's Excavating Pizza Plus **Preferred Market Preferred Tree Service** Pullman Tavern (PT109) **Rawson's Brother's Auto Parts Rosewood Floral & Gift Shop Scoops Ice Cream Parlor Shear Fantasy Beauty Shop Simpsarosa Riding Stables** Studio 109 – Forever Tan T & J Trucking **Terry's Auto Sales** Thin-Spin Productions Walkers Tire & Lube Warner Camp West Pullman Grocery