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Delta Mills Park

# Dear Residents:

We just finished the annual Community Awards as you will see on pages 14 and 15 and it was a perfect time to celebrate all the great things going on in Delta Township.

The Delta Magazine is a great way to communicate with our residents to keep you informed, however, in current times, people communicate in various ways. The decline of the traditional newspaper makes it challenging for municipalities to find the best ways to communicate. In Delta Township we have made specific efforts to enhance our communications over the last several years. In addition to this magazine, we have a robust website, an active facebook page, Instagram, and twitter feed. We are working on additional mechanisms of communication as well. Last month, Delta Township was one of the first municipalities in the country to unveil an application for your smartphone. You can download the Delta Township app for free and it has a lot of good news about Delta Township. In addition, we will be starting an electronic newsletter to keep you informed of positive things happening in Delta Township. If you would like to be added to this newsletter list, you may sign up by emailing [MWorland@deltami.gov](mailto:MWorland@deltami.gov) or signing up on the subscription box on our website. We welcome your feedback on what news you would like to hear more about.

We have very exciting news happening in our Parks and Recreation Department. We are working with the City of Lansing to complete the purchase of Grand Woods Park, to preserve this jewel of park space for Delta Township. We have also purchased 60 additional acres of property on Mount Hope Highway with the help of a Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund grant to add to an existing 60 acres for a future 120 acre park on the west side of the township. We are always working on sidewalk and pathway projects in order to make Delta Township as walkable as possible.

Delta Township has always been a leader in shared services and cooperative efforts with other municipalities. We have agreements in place with police, fire, assessing, parks and recreation and others. This fall the Township signed an agreement assisting Delhi Township with assessing. In addition, the township worked with the Eaton County Treasurer and Eaton County Clerk to open up the Township Administration building to county services. Currently, the Treasurer and Clerk will alternate Fridays to provide services in Delta Township saving residents a trip to Charlotte. Hopefully these efforts and services will continue to grow in the future as we work to improve service delivery to our residents.

We work hard to make Delta Township the best place to live, work, and play. We want to communicate all the substantial progress we are making in Delta Township!

Sincerely,

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*Supervisor Fletcher presenting the Legacy Award to Joe Drolett*





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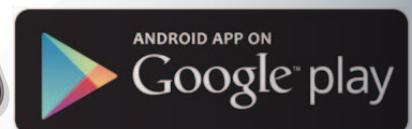
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Snow removal is handled by the Eaton County Road Commission (ECRC). If you have questions, please contact the ECRC at 877-883-2866. See page 19 for more information.

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# 50+ PROGRAMS

## Delta Township 39'ers Programs

### Delta Township 39'ers

The Delta 39'ers is an energetic program serving people ages 50 and over from Delta Township and the surrounding areas. The Delta Enrichment Center is home to the 39'ers and is located at 4538 Elizabeth Road. All activities are held in the Enrichment Center unless otherwise noted. The 39'ers office hours are Monday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., the phone number is 484-5600.

### Registration

Pre-registration is required for some activities, call 484-5600 or visit [www.deltami.gov/parks](http://www.deltami.gov/parks). No registration is needed for bingo, card groups, and some exercise classes.

### Cards & Games

No registration, drop in only, and no partner needed.



#### Bingo

M/W/F, 1-3 p.m., Activity Rm, \$1

#### Bridge (Social/Contract)

M, 1-4 p.m., Rm 300, \$1.50

#### Cribbage

1st & 3rd W, 1-3 p.m., Rm 300, \$1.50

#### Double Pinochle

1st & 3rd F, 12-3 p.m., Rm 300, \$1.50

#### Euchre

M/Th, 6-9 p.m., Rm 300, \$1.50

#### Mahjong

2nd & 4th F, 12-3 p.m., Rm 300, \$.50

#### Pinochle

Tu, 12-3:30 p.m., Rm 300, \$1.50

#### Scrabble

Th, 1-3 p.m., Rm 300, \$.50

### Luncheons

#### Lunch

Come and join us for lunch. Reservations are required and must be called in by noon the day before you wish to attend. Call 484-5600 for a menu/reservations. M/W/F, 11:45 a.m.-12:45 p.m., 60+ the suggested donation is \$3, 59 and under the cost is \$5.50

#### Lunch Bunch

Join us for lunch at local restaurants. Call for location and to sign up. Cost of lunch is on your own. 4th Tu, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

### Presentations

#### AARP Fraud Watch Network

Identifies frauds and scams and provides prevention tips on fraud, scams, and identity theft.

Th, 2/4, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.,

Rm 302, Free, SR1727

#### AARP HomeFit Program

Educates older adults on how to navigate all living spaces independently to allow them to remain in their own homes as they age.

Th, 3/3, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.,

Rm 302, Free, SR1728

#### AARP Life Reimagined

Opportunity for individuals to take inventory of their accomplishments and identify new or existing goals and develop a plan to accomplish these goals.

Th, 4/7, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.,

Rm 302, Free, SR2729

### Events

#### AARP CarFit

During a 20 minute one-on-one session a trained technician will go through the 12-point checklist and suggest adjustments and adaptations to improve comfort, control, and safety while behind the wheel.

Th, 5/5, by appointment between

11 a.m.-2 p.m., Free, SR2730

### Health Services

#### Blood Pressure Checks

Courtesy of the Delta Township Fire Department

1/8, 2/12, 3/11, 4/8, 5/13,

11:15-11:45 a.m., Activity Rm, Free

#### Blood Sugar Checks

Courtesy of Medilodge of Lansing.

2/5, 3/4, 4/1, 5/6, 10:30-11:30 a.m.,

Activity Rm, Free

#### Chair Massage

Twice a month. Call for schedule and an appointment. \$12

#### Foot Care

Twice a month. Call for schedule and an appointment. \$25

### Golf

#### Men's and Women's Leagues

(Golf Organizational Meeting:

Tu, 3/29, 11-11:30 a.m., Activity Rm)

Tu, 4/19-9/20, Tee Time 7-9 a.m.,

Ledge Meadows Golf Course, \$25

Th, 4/21-9/22, Tee Time 7-8:30 a.m.,

Ledge Meadows Golf Course, \$25

Call 484-5600 for more information.

### Newsletter

To receive the 39'ers newsletter by mail or email call 484-5600 or email Tammy at [topdyke@deltami.gov](mailto:topdyke@deltami.gov).

## Classes

### American Art

We will learn about the art, the artist, and the world around them in their time periods. Handouts will be given, and lively conversation encouraged. Come relax and learn.

W, 1/27-3/23, 1-2 p.m., Rm 302, \$18 (9 classes), SR1725

### Art Through The Centuries

Beginning in the 1100's to the Twentieth Century, we will look at the major art movements and the artists who made it happen. Handouts will be given, and lively conversation encouraged. Come relax and enjoy the beauty art has afforded through the centuries.

W, 1/27-3/23, 2:15-3:15 p.m., Rm 302, \$18 (9 classes), SR1726

### Computer Classes

No fear computer classes. Learn basic computer skills, the internet, and email.



### Basic Computer Class

Tu, 1/12-2/23, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m., or 1-2:30 p.m. Rm 301, Free, SR1705  
Tu, 3/15-4/19, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m., or 1-2:30 p.m., Rm 301, Free, SR2705

### Beyond The Basics Computer Class

Tu, 1/12-2/23, 3-4:30 p.m., or 6-7:30 p.m., Rm 301, Free, SR1705  
Tu, 3/15-4/19, 3-4:30 p.m., or 6-7:30 p.m., Rm 301, Free, SR2705

### Genealogy

Join Jim and have fun learning how to get started in genealogy, the various resources, and how to preserve your information.

Tu, 1/26-3/22, 1-3 p.m., Rm 302, \$32 (8 classes), SR1722 (no class 3/8)

## Fitness

### Arthritis Foundation Exercise

Improve strength, flexibility, and range of motion. Exercises can be performed in a seated or standing position.

Tu, ongoing, 1-1:45 p.m., Rm 304, \$2 (no class 3/8)

### Chair Exercise

This fun class is designed for seniors in any physical condition. Cardio included. Resistance bands are available for purchase. \$3 each.

M/W/F, 8:30-9:30 a.m., Lansing Mall Food Court, \$1 drop in fee or \$20 Punch card (20 visits)

### Jazzercise Lite

This class features fun and fitness.

M/W, ongoing, 3-3:45 p.m., Rm 304, \$48 (16 classes), register in class (no class 3/7)

### Senior Core

Focus on the core namely your abdominal muscles and lower back. Beginners welcome. Please bring water, a mat, and a towel with you.

M/W/F, 1/25-2/12, 9:30-10:15 a.m., Rm 303, \$36 (9 classes), SR1721  
M/W/F, 2/15-3/11, 9:30-10:15 a.m., Rm 303, \$48 (12 classes), SR2723

### Tai Chi

Come join Yumei and learn Tai Chi while treating your body to a gentle and relaxing workout.

### Young 24 Style

Th, 1/28-3/17, 1-2 p.m., Rm 303, \$48 (8 classes), SR1701

### Beginning Tai Chi

Th, 1/28-3/17, 2:15-3:15 p.m., Rm 303, \$48 (8 classes), SR1702

### Yoga

Gentle yoga which includes stretching and strengthening postures.

Tu, 10-11 a.m. (no class 3/8)



W, 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Th, 10-11 a.m.

Th, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Rm 304, \$2 drop in fee per class

### Zumba Gold

Dance-fitness workouts specifically designed for the active older adult.

M/W/F, 1/25-2/12, 10:30-11:15 a.m., Rm 303, \$36 (9 classes), SR1717

Tu/Th, 1/26-3/3, 9:30-10:30 a.m., Rm 303, \$48 (12 classes), SR1731

M/W/F, 2/15-3/11, 10:30-11:15 a.m., Rm 303, \$48 (12 classes), SR2718

### Pacers Walking Club

Walk daily, year round. Sign up by logging your miles in the Food Court. Monthly newsletters available with information on activities and events. Lansing Mall Food Court, mall opens at 7 a.m. for walkers, Free

## Trips

### Firekeepers Casino

Includes: motor coach transportation, \$20 in gaming credit and \$5 in food.

Registration deadline: 1/25

Tu, 2/9, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., \$35, SR811

### Mystery Trip #1

Our destinations are a mystery, you will have to join us to see where we are going. Includes: motor coach transportation, admissions, and lunch.

Registration deadline: 2/5

Tu, 3/8, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., \$74, SR840

### Michigan Sea Life Aquarium & Canterbury Village

Visit the Michigan Sea Life Aquarium. Then eat lunch at Castle Grille at Canterbury Village with time to shop and check out the rest of Canterbury Village.

Includes: motor coach transportation, admission, and lunch.

Registration deadline: 3/16

Tu, 4/19, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., \$74, SR817

# EVENTS/LECTURES

*Special Events for the Family and Lunchtime Lectures*

## **Daddy Daughter Dance**

Dance to your favorite tunes in the elegant surroundings of the Crowne Plaza Lansing West Hotel. You will also enjoy refreshments, a corsage for the lady, a photo, and more, all in the splendor of the ballroom. The dance is open to all young ladies and the adult male escort of their choice. Bordeaux, the hotel's restaurant, will have a special limited dinner menu available to couples this evening for an additional cost. Dinner reservations are required by calling the restaurant at 391-1307. Dinner reservations will be accepted for dining between the hours of 5-7 p.m.

**Tu, 2/23, 7-9 p.m.**

**No refunds after 2/16**

**\$10 per person (Delta Township residents);**

**\$12 per person (non-residents)**

**Crowne Plaza Lansing West Hotel**

### **How to Register for the Dances**

Register online at [www.deltami.gov/registration](http://www.deltami.gov/registration) or call 323-8555. Please note fee is per person. Register now as space is limited. No ticket for entry is necessary as a list of registered participants will be at the door. Please do not call the hotel except to make dinner reservations. Please note dinner is not included in the fee for the dance. Dinner reservations must be made by calling 391-1307. Payment for dinner must be made at the restaurant at the time of dinner.

## **Mother Son Dance**

Dance to your favorite tunes, enjoy refreshments, take a photo, and leave at the end of the evening with a special surprise. The dance is open to all young men and the adult female escort of their choice.

**W, 3/23, 7-9 p.m.**

**No refunds after 3/16**

**\$10 per person (Delta Township residents);**

**\$12 per person (non-residents)**

**Crowne Plaza Lansing West Hotel**

### **Photos - New Distribution Method**

A 5x7 photo will be taken at the Daddy Daughter and Mother Son dances and mailed directly to you. The photographers will begin taking pictures at approximately 5:30 p.m. If you have more than one child with you, you may choose to have one photo with each or two group photos.

## **The Delta Side Business Association Annual Community Expo**

This event provides the perfect opportunity for the public to learn more about their local businesses and community organizations, browse over 60 booths, visit with representatives, and discover what their community and local businesses have to offer. Enjoy door prizes and perks from local businesses.

This is your chance to sample food from area restaurants, enjoy live entertainment from local school groups, fun activities for children, and browse through Delta Township's Best-of-the-Best! This Expo is sponsored by: Delta Township, many local businesses, and the Lansing Mall. If you are a business and wish to sponsor this event or reserve a booth please visit Delta Side Business Association website at [www.deltaside.org](http://www.deltaside.org) or call 321-9896 for an application.

**Sa, 5/5, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. – Free**

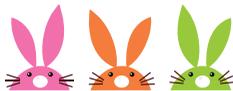
**Lansing Mall**

## **Easter Bunny Meet & Greet**

**W, 3/16, 6-7 p.m. – Free**

**No Registration Necessary**

**Activity Room, Enrichment Center**



## **Lunchtime Lectures**

Bring your lunch and join us for weekly online lectures from The Floating University's Great Big Ideas lecture series.

Each lecture is presented by experts from top institutions around the country. All lectures will take place at the Delta Township District Library from 12:30-2 p.m.

**Tu, 2/2 – Of the People, by the People, for the People? The Rawls-Nozick Debates as an Introduction to the Philosophy of Politics and Economics.**

**Tu, 2/9 – Say What? Linguistics as a Window to Understanding the Brain.**

**Tu, 2/16 – What's Up, Doc? Is Biomedical Research Really Close to Curing Anything?**

**Tu, 2/23 – The Authority of Ideas: Decoding the DNA of Education in Search of Actual Knowledge.**

For more information please visit [www.dtdl.org/events/LunchtimeLectures](http://www.dtdl.org/events/LunchtimeLectures) or call 321-4014. Presented in partnership with the Delta Township Senior Council.



# ENRICHMENT CLASSES

## Adult and Youth Enrichment Classes

### Adult Enrichment Classes

#### Gentle Yoga Flow – Ages 16+

Please bring a yoga mat to class.

Th, 1/28-3/3, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

\$42 Res/\$45 Non-Res

Enrichment Center, Room 304

#### Jazzercise – Ages 16+

Please bring a mat and weights if desired.

Tu/Th, ongoing, 5:45-6:45 p.m.

\$36 Res & Non-Res/month

Community Center, Upper Level

\*Register and pay fees in class

#### Jazzercise Low Impact – Ages 16+

Please bring a mat and weights if desired.

Tu/Th, ongoing, 9:30-10:30 a.m.

\$36 Res & Non-Res/month

Community Center, Upper Level

\*Register and pay fees in class

#### Karate – Ages 14+

Tu, 1/26-3/22, 7:30-9 p.m.

No class 3/8

\$50 Res & Non-Res

Community Center, Lower Level

\*Register and pay fees in class

#### Photography – Basic

Please bring the manual for your camera if you have it.

Tu, 1/26-3/1, 6-8 p.m.

\$65 Res/\$70 Non-Res

Enrichment Center, Room 302



#### Sticks, Fit Ball & Weights

Please bring a fit ball, 5-lb. hand weights, a mat, water, and a towel.

Th, 1/28-3/10, 5:30-6:15 p.m.

\$44 Res/\$46 Non-Res

Enrichment Center, Room 303

#### Strength, Flexibility & Core

Please bring 5-lb. hand weights, a mat, water, and a towel.

M, 1/25-2/29, 5:30-6:15 p.m.

\$38 Res/\$42 Non-Res

Enrichment Center, Room 303

W, 1/27-3/9, 5:30-6:15 p.m.

\$44 Res/\$46 Non-Res

Enrichment Center, Room 304

#### Intermediate Yoga Flow – Ages 16+

Please bring a yoga mat and water.

Tu, 1/26-3/1, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

\$42 Res/\$45 Non-Res

Enrichment Center,

Room 304

#### Zumba

Th, 1/28-3/10, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

\$48 Res/\$50 Non-Res

Enrichment Center, Room 303

#### Zumba Body Sculpting & Toning

M, 1/25-2/29, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

\$42 Res/\$45 Non-Res

Enrichment Center, Room 303

W, 1/27-3/9, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

\$49 Res/\$52 Non-Res

Enrichment Center, Room 304

#### Zumba Gold – Ages 16+

Tu, 1/12-2/9, 6-7 p.m.

\$33 Res/\$35 Non-Res or

\$8 Drop-in Fee

Enrichment Center, Room 303

#### Zumba Gold and Toning – Ages 16+

Please bring a set of 1, 2, or 3-lb. hand weights.

Tu, 2/23-3/29, 6-7 p.m.

No class 3/8

\$33 Res/\$35 Non-Res or

\$8 Drop-in Fee

Enrichment Center, Room 303

### Youth Enrichment Classes

#### Karate – Ages 4-14

Tu, 1/26-3/22, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Tu, 1/26-3/22, 7:30-8:30 p.m.

No class 3/8

\$40 Res & Non-Res

Community Center, Lower Level

\*Register and pay fees in class

#### Karate for Families – Ages 4+

Tu, 1/26-3/22, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Tu, 1/26-3/22, 7:30-8:30 p.m.

No class 3/8

\$75 Res & Non-Res

Community Center, Lower Level

\*Register and pay fees in class

#### Taekwondo for Juniors

W, 1/27-3/2,

6:30-7:20 p.m.

\$48 Res/\$53

Non-Res

Enrichment

Center,

Room 303



# AQUATICS

## Delta Township Aquatics

The Delta Enrichment Center (4538 Elizabeth Road) is home to the Aquatics Office. The pool is located at Waverly East Intermediate School (3131 West Michigan Avenue).

### Adult Water Exercise

Ages 18+

The exercise classes listed are each 45 minutes long, are ongoing, and can be joined at any time. Participants do not need to be swimmers to participate! Your first visit to any of the water exercise classes is free! Please visit [www.deltami.gov/parks](http://www.deltami.gov/parks) for possible schedule changes.

#### You may purchase punch cards:

1- At the Delta Aquatics Office, located inside the Delta Enrichment Center. Office hours are Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Cash, Check and Debit/Credit Cards are accepted.

2- On the pool deck with a check (made payable to: Delta Township); sorry no cash or credit cards are accepted on the pool deck.

3- Over the phone at 484-5600 with a credit card. Phone orders will be delivered to the pool twice a week. Refunds will not be issued for new or partially used punch cards.

\$55 for 10 visits w/punch card:  
age 54 and under

\$50 for 10 visits w/punch card:  
age 55 and over

\$7 per person drop-in fee

**The pool will be closed on the following dates:**

F, 1/1/16  
M, 1/18/16  
F, 3/25/16



### 2nd Annual Aquatics Open House

Ages 18+

Grab your suit and towel, this is a great opportunity to try out different types of Water Aerobics classes for free: Arthritis Aquacise, Deep Water Aerobics, Aqua Zumba, and more. Our experienced, certified instructors will be on hand to lead class samplings. No need to register, just stop in and join the fun. Refreshments and door prizes.

1/29, 6-8 p.m.

Free

### Arthritis Foundation Aquacise

See Adult Water Exercise for prices.

M/W/F, 11-11:45 a.m.

### Arthritis Plus Foundation Aquacise

See Adult Water Exercise for prices.

Tu/Th, 10-10:45 a.m.

### Splash Aerobics

See Adult Water Exercise for prices.

M/W/F, 9-9:45 a.m.

M/W, 6-6:45 p.m.

### Deep Water Aerobics

See Adult Water Exercise for prices.

M/W/F, 10-10:45 a.m.

Tu/Th, 9-9:45 a.m.

M/W, 5-5:45 p.m.

### Lap Swim

Ages 18+

M-F, 12-1 p.m.

M/W/F, 4-5 p.m.

\$35 for 10 visits with punch card or  
\$4 per person, per visit drop-in fee

### Family Swim

Tu/Th, 1/12-3/3, 7:30-8:30 p.m.

\$35 for 10 visits with punch card or  
\$4 per person, per visit drop-in fee  
(Please bring correct change!)

### Adult Open Swim

Ages 18+

M/W, 3:15-4 p.m., 6:45-8 p.m.

Tu/Th, 11 a.m.-12 p.m.

F, 3-4 p.m.

\$35 for 10 visits with punch card or  
\$4 per person, per visit drop-in fee  
(Please bring correct change!)

### Swim Lesson Registration

Class registration for swim lessons can be done in person at the Delta Aquatics Office or by calling 484-5600.

Online registration is also available for some swim classes by visiting [www.deltami.gov/parks](http://www.deltami.gov/parks). Payment must be received at the time of registration

An adult must remain in attendance during swim lessons and family swims. In the event that the Waverly Schools are closed due to inclement weather, all pool activities are also cancelled. Information on possible closings can be obtained by calling 484-9322. No street shoes are allowed on the pool deck. Swimmers must shower before use. Infants must wear a swim diaper (not a regular diaper) in the pool. No persons over the age of 5 are allowed in opposite gender locker rooms.

Classes and program times may change without notice. Please check the website at [www.deltami.gov/parks](http://www.deltami.gov/parks) for up to date information.

### Private Swim Lessons

Interested in private lessons for adults or children? Please call 484-5600 to schedule a session.

**\$25 per ½ hr. for private lessons**

**\$20 per ½ hr., per person, for semi-private lesson.**

### Adult Learn to Swim Classes

These courses have been designed just for adults.

#### Adult Beginner

**Tu, 1/12-3/1, 7-7:30 p.m. AQA401**

**Sa, 1/16-3/5, 11:30 a.m.-12 p.m.**

**AQA421**

**\$76 for 8 sessions**

**Limit 6. Ages 18+**

#### Adult Intermediate

**Th, 1/14-3/3, 7-7:30 p.m. AQA411**

**\$76 for 8 sessions**

**Limit 6. Ages 18+**

### Youth Swim Lessons

Skills are taught in age-appropriate ways which include drills, games, and other activities. Assistance regarding the appropriate level can be obtained by calling 484-5600.

#### Parent/Child

Course content includes water adjustment, safe pool entry, breath control, submerging face, motor skills, activities, safety information, and safe exiting of the pool. Limit 10.

**Tu, 1/12-3/1, 5-5:30 p.m. AQY401**

**Th, 1/14-3/3, 5:30-6 p.m. AQY411**

**Sa, 1/16-3/5, 10-10:30 a.m. AQY421**

**Ages 6 months to 3 years**

**\$56 for 8 sessions**

#### Minnow

For students who have outgrown the parent/child class, but are not ready for a class on their own. Parents work in the water for the first 3 to 5 classes

and then children work independently with the instructor. Limit 4.

**Tu, 1/12-3/1, 5:30-6 p.m. AQY402**

**Th, 1/14-3/3, 5-5:30 p.m. AQY412**

**Sa, 1/16-3/5, 10:30-11 a.m. AQY422**

**2-4 year olds**

**\$56 for 8 sessions**

#### Starfish

Course content includes water adjustment, safe pool entry, breath control, submerging the face, motor skills, activities, and safe exiting of the pool. Limit 4.

**Tu, 1/12-3/1, 6-6:30 p.m. AQY403**

**Th, 1/14-3/3, 7-7:30 p.m. AQY413**

**Sa, 1/16-3/5, 11:30-12 p.m. AQY423**

**3 year olds**

**\$56 for 8 sessions**

#### Guppy

Course content includes exhaling under water, safe pool entry, beginning kicking, exploration of hand and arm movements, motor skills, and activities. Limit 4.

**Tu, 1/12-3/1, 6:30-7 p.m. AQY404**

**Th, 1/14-3/3, 6-6:30 p.m. AQY414**

**Sa, 1/16-3/5, 11-11:30 a.m. AQY424**

**4 year olds**

**\$56 for 8 sessions**

#### Level 1

Course content includes independent entry and exit, supported floating on the front and back, face submersion, bobs, supported front and back flutter kicks, introduction of alternate arm action, and jumping into the pool. Limit 8.

**Tu, 1/12-3/1, 7-7:30 p.m. AQY405**

**Th, 1/14-3/3, 6:30-7 p.m. AQY415**

**Sa, 1/16-3/5, 12-12:30 p.m. AQY425**

**Ages 5+**

**\$56 for 8 sessions**



#### Level 2

Builds on Level 1 skills and introduces underwater holding of breath, front and back glides, strokes such as front and back crawl, and jumping from side of pool into deeper water. Limit 8.

**Tu, 1/12-3/1, 6-6:30 p.m. AQY406**

**Th, 1/14-3/3, 5:30-6 p.m. AQY416**

**Sa, 1/16-3/5, 11:30-12 p.m. AQY426**

**Ages 5+**

**\$56 for 8 sessions**

#### Level 3

Expands on Level 2 skills and increases swimming skills, rhythmic breathing, and breathing while kicking with kick boards; introduces sculling, treading water, and superman gliding. Limit 8.

**Tu, 1/12-3/1, 6-6:45 p.m. AQY407**

**Th, 1/14-3/3, 6:45-7:30 p.m. AQY417**

**Sa, 1/16-3/5, 10-10:45 a.m. AQY427**

**Ages 5+**

**\$68 for 8 sessions**

#### Level 4/5/6

Continues refinement of front crawl, back crawl, breast and side stroking as well as elementary backstroke; introduces butterfly stroke and stride jump entries; surface and long shallow dives are also part of this course (when registering, please indicate whether student is to be placed in Level 4, 5, or 6). Limit 8.

**Tu, 1/12-3/1, 6:45-7:30 p.m. AQY408**

**Th, 1/14-3/3, 6-6:45 p.m. AQY418**

**Sa, 1/16-3/5, 10:45-11:30 a.m. AQY428**

**Ages 5+**

**\$68 for 8 sessions**

#### Pool Rentals

Great for birthday parties, scout troops, youth groups, specialty classes, and more! Call 484-5600 or visit [www.deltami.gov/parks](http://www.deltami.gov/parks) for information on renting the pool for your special occasion. \$65 per hour, two hour minimum includes 1 ½ hours of pool time and lifeguard (30 minutes locker room time).

All of our youth athletic programs are recreational in nature. Each program will introduce the child to the basic skills of that sport while stressing the fundamentals and fun of the game. Online registration for all youth athletic programs is available at [www.deltami.gov/registration](http://www.deltami.gov/registration).

### Youth Spring Soccer

The participant has the choice of playing traditional soccer or micro soccer. Games begin 4/9/16 and run on Saturdays for 6 weeks. Practices will start the week of 3/28/16.

**Registration Deadline:** F, 2/19/16

**Ages:** 4-10 as of 4/9/16

**Dates:** Week of 3/28/16-5/21/16

**Make-Up:** Sa, 6/4/16

**Fee:** \$40 Res/\$45 Non-Res

\$10 late fee after 2/19/16, if space permits (late fees are not refundable)

\$15 for athletic jersey if needed

**Locations:**

Micro 4x4 (4-10 year olds) –

Our Savior Lutheran

Traditional 10x10 & 7x7 (4-7 year olds) – Our Savior Lutheran

Traditional 8x8 (8-10 year olds) –  
Delta Mills Park

### Itty Bitty Kickers – 3 year olds

Practices and games will be held on Saturdays within a 40 minute time block. 4x4 rules and a size 3 ball will be used. The program starts 4/9/16 and runs on Saturdays for 5 weeks.

**Deadline:** F, 2/19/16

**Age:** 3 years old as of 4/9/16

**Dates:** Week of 4/9/16-5/14/16

**Make-Up:** Sa, 5/21/16

**Fee:** \$25 Res/\$30 Non-Res

\$10 late fee after 2/19/16, if space permits (late fees are not refundable)

\$15 for athletic jersey if needed

**Location:** Our Savior Lutheran

### Super Soccer Saturday

New this year in lieu of games on April 16, all 4x4, 10x10, and Itty Bitty Kicker participants will meet at Our Savior Lutheran for Super Soccer Saturday. Activities will include team pictures, team competitions, and soccer drills! Watch for more information, including times, at the start of the season.

### Youth T-Ball

Participant can choose the Monday/Wednesday or Tuesday/Thursday program. The program starts the week of 6/6/16 and runs for 6 weeks.

**Deadline:** F, 4/29/16

**Ages:** 4, 5-6 as of 6/6/16

**Fee:** \$40 Res/\$45 Non-Res

\$10 late fee after 4/29/16 if space permits (late fees are not refundable)

\$15 for athletic jersey if needed

**Locations:**

4 year olds – Colt

5/6 year olds – Delta Mills/Grand Woods/Our Savior Lutheran

### Youth Girls Softball Coach Pitch

Program runs on Mondays and Wednesdays. Starts on 6/6/16 and runs for 6 weeks.

**Deadline:** F, 4/29/16

**Ages:** 6-8 or 9-11 as of 6/6/16

**Fee:** \$40 Res/\$45 Non-Res

\$10 late fee after 4/29/16 if space permits (late fees are not refundable)

\$15 for athletic jersey if needed

**Location:** TBD

### Youth Boys Baseball – Ages 6/7 – Coach Pitch

Program runs on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Starts on 6/7/16 and runs for 6 weeks.

**Deadline:** F, 4/29/16

**Ages:** 6/7 as of 6/7/16

**Fee:** \$40 Res/\$45 Non-Res

\$10 late fee after 4/29/16 if space permits (late fees are not refundable)

\$15 for athletic jersey if needed

**Location:** TBD

### Youth Boys Baseball – Ages 8/9 – Machine Pitch

Program runs on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Starts on 6/7/16 and runs for 6 weeks.

**Deadline:** F, 4/29/16

**Ages:** 8/9 as of 6/7/16

**Fee:** \$40 Res/\$45 Non-Res

\$10 late fee after 4/29/16 if space permits (late fees are not refundable)

\$15 for athletic jersey if needed

**Location:** Our Savior Lutheran

### Youth Basketball Camp

High intensity, multi-tasking drills will be used to increase mental and physical speed of play. Basketball University will supply the instructors and equipment. No refunds after 5/3/16.

**Deadline:** T, 5/3/16

**Camp Dates:** W, 5/4-5/25/16

**Grade/Time:**

1st/2nd – 5:45 p.m.

3rd/4th – 6:45 p.m.

5th/6th – 7:45 p.m.

**Fee:** \$40 Res/\$45 Non-Res

**Location:** Waverly East Gymnasium

### Coach's Meeting Information

Spring Soccer and Itty Bitty Kickers

Wednesday, March 16, 2016

Traditional (10x10), 5:30 p.m.

Micro (4x4), 6 p.m.

Itty Bitty, 6:30 p.m.

Delta Township Administration

Building Room A

T-Ball, Baseball, and Softball

Thursday, May 26, 2016, 6 p.m.

Delta Township Administration

Building Room A.

## Summer Adult Softball Leagues

### Leagues Offered:

Men Dbl- 20 games: Su, M, Tu, Th

Women Dbl- 20 games: W

Coed Dbl- 20 games: W

Coed Single- 10 games: W, Th, F

**Locations:** Erickson Park, Sharp Park or Delta Mills Park

**Season Begins:** Week of May 1, 2016 and runs for 10 weeks.

### Team Registration:

The sponsor fee is due at the time of registration. Sponsor fees are not refundable unless another team is found as a replacement. Only full team registrations are accepted.

### Early Bird Team Registration:

**2/29–3/11/16**

Get your team in to a Delta Township league at a special early bird rate! Limited spots available. Teams are taken on a first come, first served basis. Registrations turned in AFTER 3/11/16 will pay the regular team registration fees.

Early Bird Sponsor Fees:

Men's Doubleheader – \$300

Women's Doubleheader – \$200

Coed Doubleheader – \$325

Coed Single – \$190

### Regular Team Registration:

**3/12–4/8/16**

Limited spots available. Teams are taken on a first come, first served basis. Registrations turned in AFTER 4/8/16 will pay the late team registration fees.

Regular Sponsor Fees:

Men's Doubleheader – \$350

Women's Doubleheader – \$250

Coed Doubleheader – \$375

Coed Single – \$240

### Late Team Registration:

**4/9–4/15/16**

If leagues are not already full, we will accept registrations until April 15. No team registrations will be accepted after 4/15.

Late Sponsor Fees:

Men's Doubleheader – \$400

Women's Doubleheader – \$300

Coed Doubleheader – \$425

Coed Single – \$290

### Player Fees:

All players are required to pay a \$15 player fee for every team they play on.

### Umpire Fees: (per team/per game)

Men's Doubleheader – 2 umpires \$18/game, \$360/season

Women's Doubleheader – 1 umpire \$13/game, \$260/season

Coed Doubleheader – 1 umpire \$13/game, \$260/season

Coed Single – 1 umpire \$13/game, \$130/season

### A.S.A Umpire Information:

Are you interested in becoming an A.S.A. certified umpire and working in Delta Township? Please visit our website at [www.deltami.gov/parks](http://www.deltami.gov/parks) to find the 2016 Umpire Training Flyer. This flyer will provide information about free clinics and mechanics/rule interpretation sessions being offered.

Please Note: assignment opportunities may vary. District 11 umpires are required to be registered with A.S.A. (cost \$40) Please visit [www.masasoftball.org](http://www.masasoftball.org) for more information.

## Coed Kickball Leagues

Do you miss those fun games of kickball? Are you looking to get together and have fun with your friends? Then sign up now and join our Adult Coed Kickball League! For league rules and registration form please visit our website at [www.deltami.gov/parks](http://www.deltami.gov/parks).

**Deadline: F, 4/22/16**

**Leagues: M or W**

**Season Begins: M, 5/2/16 or**

**W, 5/4/16**

**Fee: \$150/team (10 games)**

**Location: Sharp Park and Delta Mills Park**

## Coed Sand Volleyball Leagues

Leagues are 4 vs 4 and coed rules apply (2 males, 2 females). Teams provide their own volleyball. Limited spots available. Teams are taken on a first come, first served basis. For league rules and registration form please visit our website at [www.deltami.gov/parks](http://www.deltami.gov/parks).

**Deadline: F, 4/22/16**

**Leagues: Tu or W**

**Season Begins: Tu, 5/3/16 or**

**W, 5/4/16**

**Fee: \$100/team (10 games)**

**Location: Sharp Park**



# LIBRARY

## Youth, Community, and Adult Programs

PROGRAM	AGE(S)	DAY(S)	TIME(S)	DATE(S)
<b>Youth Programs</b>				
Stories & Crafts	3-5	Tu	10:30 a.m.	1/5-4/26
Baby Time	0-24 mos.	W	10:30 a.m.	1/6-4/27
Toddler Storytime	18-36 mos.	Th	10:30 a.m.	1/7-4/28
Music & Movement Storytime	All	F	10:30 a.m.	1/8-4/29 (none on 3/25)
Family Storytime	All	Th	6 p.m.	1/14, 2/18, 3/17, 4/21
*Paws for Reading	All	Varies	Varies	Varies
Family Movie Matinee	All	Sa	1 p.m.	1/30, 2/27, 4/30
Homeschool Connect	All	M	1-2:30 p.m.	1/25, 2/29, 3/28, 4/25
Big Playdate: Tape Town	2-6	Sa	10:30-11:30 a.m.	2/6
*Shadow Stories	5-9	Th	4:30-6 p.m.	2/25
Pout-Pout Party	All	W	6:30-7:30 p.m.	3/9
Game On	6-18	Tu	3-5 p.m.	1/5-4/26
*Tween Book Club	9-12	W	4-5 p.m.	1/13, 2/17, 3/9, 4/20
*Minecraft Game Nights	7-15	F	5:30-7:30 p.m.	1/15, 3/18
Tween Movie Night	9-12	F	5-8 p.m.	1/29
*Pokemon Tournament	8-18	Sa	10 a.m.-3:30 p.m.	2/20
*Super Smash Tournament	8-18	Sa	10 a.m.-3:30 p.m.	4/23
Teen Anime Night	13-18	Th	5-7:30 p.m.	1/28
Teen Advisory Group	13-18	F	4-5 p.m.	1/29, 2/26, 3/18, 4/29
*Teen Cupcake Challenge	13-18	F	5:30-7:30 p.m.	2/12
<b>Community Programs</b>				
*Battle of the Books	9+	Varies	Varies	January-March
Collectors Showcase	All	Sa	11 a.m.-2 p.m.	3/19
<b>Adult Programs</b>				
*At Your Service: 1on1 Tech Help	18+	Varies	Varies	1/4-4/30
*Computer Classes	18+	Varies	Varies	2/1-4/30
Books & Brews at EagleMonk	18+	Tu	7 p.m.	1/5, 2/2, 3/1, 4/5
Monday Morning Movie	18+	M	10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	1/11, 2/8, 3/14, 4/11
*Recipe Club	18+	M	6-7:30 p.m.	1/11, 2/8, 3/14, 4/11
DTDL Book Club	18+	W	6-7:30 p.m.	1/20, 2/17, 3/16, 4/20
*Ready to Start a Business	18+	Tu	6-7:45 p.m.	1/26
Adult Coloring	18+	W	1-3 p.m.	1/27, 2/24, 3/23, 4/27
Lunchtime Lectures	18+	Tu	12:30-2 p.m.	2/2-2/23
*AARP's HomeFit	18+	W	1-3 p.m.	2/10
*AARP's Finances 50+	18+	W	1-3 p.m.	4/13

\*Registration is required. Call the Youth (x3) or Adult (x4) Services Desk to register: 321-4014.

# RECYCLING CENTER

5717 Millett Highway

## Delta Township Recycling Center

5717 Millett Highway

\*Residential Use Only -  
No Commercial\*

### Winter Hours: November-March

Tuesdays – 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

Wednesdays – 12-6 p.m.

Saturdays – 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

### Summer Hours: April-October

Tuesdays – 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

Wednesdays – 12-8 p.m.

Saturdays – 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

### Closed Holidays

The Recycling Center will be closed on December 26 in 2015.

and

January 2, May 21, May 28,  
July 2, September 3, November  
26, December 24, and  
December 31 in 2016.

## Yard Waste Not Accepted December - March

Yard waste is not accepted during the winter months of December through March. The yard waste bins at the recycling center are removed for the winter. **Yard Waste Recycling will be accepted starting April 2, 2016.**



## Acceptable Recycling Items

Delta Township's Recycling Center accepts the following products or materials to be recycled: cooking oil, polystyrene foam, household battery, and cellular phone collection. Household electronics, as of January 1, 2015 Delta Township no longer accepts CRT's (Cathode Ray Tube) televisions and computer monitors. CRT's are the "old style" box televisions and computer desk monitors. Flat screen televisions and flat screen computer monitors, ink cartridges, plastics with #1-7 symbol on bottom, metals, clear and brown glass (no green, blue or frosted), paper, boxboard, CFL bulbs, and phone books are accepted. Please remove all lids and caps from plastic containers prior to recycling. Pop or beer box containers, containers designed to go in the freezer or refrigerator, or plastic containers that hazardous waste comes in, such as motor oil or anti-freeze, are not accepted. For a complete listing of items accepted at the Delta Township Recycling Center and to obtain the monthly recycling newsletter visit [www.deltami.gov](http://www.deltami.gov).

## Christmas Tree Recycling

Delta Township residents may dispose of their natural Christmas trees **December 26 through January 31** at the Parks and Recreation Maintenance Building, which is located on Administration Drive. Please remove any Christmas lights, wires, string, and ornaments from the tree. If transporting the tree in a bag, please remove the tree from the bag before dropping it off. The tree will be chipped and used for various landscape projects around the township.



## Metals Accepted Year-Round

Below is a listing of metal items accepted year round at the Recycling Center. All items must be 80% metal or more to be accepted for recycling. The listing is not limited to the items below, but is a general listing. If you have a question regarding the acceptance of an item, please ask the recycling center attendant. Appliances – washers, dryers, cook stoves, metal microwaves, water heaters, water softeners, furnaces, steel dishwashers (no all plastic dishwashers). Steel and aluminum lawn furniture or swing sets, lawn mowers, rototillers, weed whackers, spreaders (fluids must be drained), gas and charcoal grills, pots and pans, basketball poles (no cement), wire or metal fencing bundled, fence poles (no cement), metal cabinets and shelving, metal yard ornaments, steel doors and storm doors with glass removed, scrap metal, sheet metal, cast iron, metal sinks and metal burning barrels (must have open tops and be clean). **NO GAS OR OIL CANS ARE ACCEPTED.** Tin and aluminum cans (cleaned and flattened), as well as items mostly composed of metals.

# COMMUNITY AWARDS

*Awards Reception a Huge Success*

The Tenth Annual Delta Township Community Awards Reception was held on November 12 at the Crowne Plaza Lansing West hotel. Over 220 people attended the event. The event recognized the nominees and honored the award recipients in several categories. Eight awards were presented that evening including Business of the Year, Citizen of the Year, Community Organization of the Year, Young Person of the Year, Community Enhancement, and Legacy Award.

Kelly Rossman-McKinney served as the evening's emcee. The Waverly Reflections Choir performed several musical numbers during the evening.

This year's event was co-sponsored by Delta Township, the Crowne Plaza Lansing West, the David Chapman Agency, Comcast, Weddings by Nicole, Delta Flowers, LAFCU, Dart Bank, Capital Region International Airport, H&H Jewelry Design, On the Spot Engraving, Waverly Education Foundation, Mary R. Clark, and Howard T. Spence.



The nominees for the *Business of the Year* award were Delta Flowers, Michigan Farm Bureau, and Medawar Jewelers-West Lansing. The award went to **Delta Flowers**. Delta Flowers has been a sponsor for the Delta Township Community Awards event since its inception in 2006 and continues to lend support to our program. Delta Flowers has called Delta Township home since 1978. The current owner, Laura Miller just celebrated her 14th anniversary as current owner.

Three groups were recognized and received the *Community Enhancement Award*. Improving the appearance and encouraging redevelopment of the Saginaw Highway corridor has always been and continues to be a priority of the Delta Township Board. The renovation and rehabilitation of three properties shows the Township's ongoing commitment to bringing life and beautification back to Saginaw Highway. The first award went to developer **Steve Kesto** for the renovation and redevelopment of the property at 4037 West Saginaw. The former buildings were vacant and deteriorating; both buildings were demolished and a new building was constructed and now houses both Advance Auto Parts and ABC Liquor. The second award went to Developer **Mike Davis**, Davis Construction. The property, located at 6209 West Saginaw was also in a deteriorated condition due to poor maintenance of the building and grounds. Davis Construction invested in the rehabilitation of the property that includes a new façade. The third award was for the property at 8205 West Saginaw, which was the former site of an Amoco gas station. The property was in bad shape prior to the reinvestment of the new owner, **Hacks, LLC**. The building is now home to Dunkin Donuts and BP Gas.



## COMMUNITY AWARDS RECEPTION



The nominees for the *Community Organization of the Year* award were Delta Side Business Association and St. Gerard Catholic Church. The award went to the **Delta Side Business Association**. Founded in 1997 with the primary intention of building a stronger economy and community, the Delta Side Business Association promotes the advancement of community and commerce in Delta Township and surrounding communities by supporting local businesses through their annual business expo, college scholarships grants, business networking events and local government cooperation. They provide professional and positive resources for area businesses and government to work together and network with the primary intention of building a stronger economy and community.

The nominees for the *Young Person of the Year* award were Jenna Conn, Allyson Erickson, Sean Fisher, Aliza Goodlow, Sarah Heriford, Allison Hookey, Megan Koren, and Elizabeth Wood. A \$2,000 scholarship was also awarded to the recipient. The award went to **Allyson Erickson**. Allyson attends Grand Ledge High School and is a student of many talents. She is a high achiever academically, earning a spot on the honor role, is a member of the National Honors Society, the Spanish Club, and Chinese Club at Grand Ledge High School. Allyson is an exceptional musician and has the distinction of being the only violinist in the school district. She is also an advocate for the arts, where she actively participates in dance and is an avid photographer. Allyson volunteers her time at various community organizations including the Ronald McDonald House, Burcham Hills Nursing Home, and has helped to restore one of Michigan's historic bridges in Three Rivers.



The nominees for the *Citizen of the Year* were Charese Horn, Jackie and Bob Household-er, Ken Johnson, Kathy O'Neil, and Linda Smith. The award went to **Linda Smith**. Linda has been a loud and persistent voice for those in need. She has assisted special needs individuals, is involved in children's liturgy at her church, tutors students at local schools, assists with Meals-on-Wheels, works with Habitat for Humanity, and helps to provide for those who are less fortunate. In addition to helping others, Linda has been a champion of her own special needs child and has helped countless woman recover after becoming homeless.

Finally, the last award of the evening, the *Legacy Award* was announced. **Joseph E. Drolett**, served the residents of Delta Township for over 30 years, first as a trustee then as the Township Supervisor. He owned and managed Carpet Man for 16 years along with his wife Kathie, who owned Drolett Travel for 25 years.

Joe and Kathie Drolett have been married for 51 years, and have four children, and five grandchildren. He enjoys golf and spending time with family at the lake.

It was a wonderful evening celebrating and sharing the Township's successes with everyone who helped make it possible. Congratulations to all who were nominated and received an award!

**Delta Township is truly a great place to live, work, and play!**



# ELECTIONS

## **Voter Registration and Election Information**

For questions regarding voter registration or elections, please contact the Delta Township Clerk's Office at 323-8500. Please visit the Secretary of State website for additional election information at [www.michigan.gov/sos](http://www.michigan.gov/sos) or the Delta Township website: [www.deltami.gov](http://www.deltami.gov).

## **2016 Elections**

Three elections are scheduled in 2016. Election information will be posted on Delta Township's website [www.deltami.gov](http://www.deltami.gov). Voters should refer to their voter identification card for proper precinct number and polling location. If your voter identification card has been lost, call the Clerk's office to have a replacement card mailed.

## **2016 Scheduled Elections**

**March 8, 2016 – Presidential Primary Election – (CLOSED PRIMARY)**

**Voter Registration Deadline – Monday, February 8, 2016**

Residents within the State of Michigan will have the opportunity to nominate a candidate for office of President of the United States at the closed primary. A closed primary requires a voter's casting a ballot to select a Republican or Democrat ballot when completing the application either at the precinct or if applying for an absentee ballot. A ballot cannot be issued to a voter until the selection of Republican or Democrat ballot has been made. If a Delta Township Resident voter will be out of the community on Election Day or need any information regarding the upcoming election, contact the Delta Township Clerk's Office at 323-8500.

**August 2, 2016 – Primary Election – (OPEN PRIMARY)**  
**Voter Registration Deadline – Tuesday, July 5, 2016**

An open primary has both Republican and Democratic offices on the same ballot but a voter can only vote in one party during the August Primary Election. If a voter "cross-party votes" (votes for candidates in both the Republican and Democratic offices) the partisan section of the ballot will not count. Any non-partisan votes cast would be valid votes. If a voter is at a precinct and makes a mistake they may let an Election Inspector know so the ballot can be spoiled and replaced to vote correctly. If you are voting by absentee voter ballot please contact the Clerk's Office at 323-8500. The voter will be instructed to seal the ballot

in the ballot envelope and write SPOILED on the outside. The envelope is returned in person or by mail and a new ballot will be issued. The August Primary is to "reduce the number of candidates" for each office by party to be placed on the General Election ballot on November 8, 2016.



**November 8, 2016 – General Election**

**Voter Registration Deadline – Tuesday, October 11, 2016**

The General Election on November 8, 2016 will include electing a new President of the United States, along with many more partisan, and non-partisan offices. In a General Election all parties: the two major parties (Republican and Democrat) and the minor parties (Green, Libertarian, Natural Law and U.S. Taxpayers) that are represented in Michigan will be on the ballot. In General Elections voters have the choice of voting for whichever candidate and party they choose under each office. The only restriction is, voters must only vote for the number of candidates allowed to be elected as identified under the office heading on the ballot. If the voter votes for more candidates than is allowed the votes within that office will not count. In a precinct, if a voter does over-vote or makes any other mistake, the voter should let an Election Inspector know so the ballot can be spoiled and replaced to vote correctly. If you are voting by absentee voter ballot please contact the Clerk's Office at 323-8500. The voter will be instructed to seal the ballot in an envelope and write SPOILED on the outside and return it in person or by mail and a new ballot will be issued. If residents will be out of the community on Election Day or need any information regarding the upcoming election, contact the Township Clerk's Office at 323-8500.

## **Permanent Absent Voter List Request**

If you are over 60, physically challenged, or frequently out of the community, you can be placed on our permanent absent voter list to vote by absentee ballot for future elections. Our permanent absent voters will automatically receive an application for all elections that are scheduled in Delta Township. However, the application for an absentee ballot must be completed and returned to the Clerk's Office for every election, as required by Michigan Election Law, before a ballot can be sent to the voter. If you would like more information or the Permanent Absent Voter List Request Form call the Clerk's Office Monday-Friday between 8 a.m.-5 p.m. at 323-8500.

## How to Request an Absentee Ballot

If you find that you will not be able to vote at the polls on Election Day all voters have the option of voting by absentee ballot. A request or application must be filed for each election when voting by absentee ballot. The process is the same as voting at precinct, the voter must fill out an application before receiving a ballot. To request an application the voter can appear in person at the Clerk's office or call the Clerk's Office at 323-8500. An application for absentee ballot can also be found at the Delta Township website at [www.deltami.gov/elections](http://www.deltami.gov/elections). The Delta Township Clerks office will be open on **Saturday, March 5 from 8 a.m.-2 p.m** to accept absentee ballot applications, issue absentee ballots and/or receive voted absentee ballots for the March 8, 2016 Presidential Primary Election.

Ballots are available 45 days prior to any scheduled election and applications can be submitted 75 days prior to any election. If a voter will be out of town, the ballot can be mailed to an alternate address which must be indicated on their application when applying for a ballot. **BALLOTS CANNOT BE FORWARDED** so it is important that we have the correct "mailing address" to mail the ballot. If your address changes for any reason after you have submitted your application, which may happen with college students especially, contact the Clerk's Office with your updated mailing address so that your ballot will be delivered without any delay.

## Voter Registration

A person may register to vote at either a Secretary of State office or at the Clerk's Office in the township in which they reside. Updates can be made at any Secretary of State Office throughout Michigan. If you submit a driver's license address change, it will also be applied to your voter registration. A voter registration form can be mailed to your local clerk.

## Military and Overseas Voter Empowerment Act ("Move Act")

The MOVE Act was signed into law in 2009 affording all active uniformed service, spouse, dependents, and merchant marine, stationed inside or outside the United States and civilians residing indefinitely or temporarily overseas the option of requesting an "electronic" transmitted, faxed or mailed absentee ballot. The voter must submit a written request or utilize the FPCA form requesting a ballot every calendar year (January 1-December 31), and must be filled out in its entirety. The FPCA completed form can be utilized to register to vote and/or apply for absentee ballot and can be emailed to [Delta-tw@miqvf.org](mailto:Delta-tw@miqvf.org) or faxed to 323-8599 to the attention of the Clerk's Office. The FPCA form used for this request is available at our website at [www.deltami.gov](http://www.deltami.gov) for your convenience. Additional information including contact information for Michigan's city and township clerks, sample ballots for you to view for upcoming election or candidate and proposal information can be viewed through the Michigan Voter Information Center (MVIC) Web site maintained by the Michigan Department of State at [www.mchigan.gov/vote](http://www.mchigan.gov/vote).

## Registered to Vote by Mail and First Time Voters

If you are a first time voter or first time voter in Michigan and you registered to vote by mail, you are required by law to appear in person to vote the first time voting. Check with the Delta Township Clerk's Office to verify that your voter registration is up to date and that you qualify to apply for an absentee ballot. This is very important for college bound students who may have registered to vote by mail.

Student applications for absentee ballots are available approximately three months prior to elections and student absentee ballots are available approximately six weeks prior to every election. It is recommended for college students to keep their home address as their voter registration address and apply for an absentee ballot as they will be out of the area on Election Day. College students from Delta Township who register to vote at the college they are attending at a voter registration drive will no longer be eligible to vote in Delta Township. The voter registration address and driver's license address will change to the address given at the voter registration drive.

## Election Workers

Delta Township depends on residents to help in the election process. The Clerk's Office is always looking for dependable citizens for our precinct polling locations and absent voter counting board. Residents are paid for working Election Day. Anyone interested should contact the Delta Township Clerk's Office. Applications to be an election inspector for 2016 are available at the Delta Township Clerk's Office or at the Township website at [www.deltami.gov](http://www.deltami.gov) under Government and Elections and Election Worker Information.



# DID YOU KNOW?

## **Greetings Again from the Office of the Eaton County District Court Magistrate**

I am writing this several weeks prior to the publication date but I suspect that as you read this article the first sightings of snow will have occurred and some colder temperatures will have set in. Given this scenario, I would like to take this opportunity to express the concerns that arise with winter driving and traffic enforcement.

The two most common situations prevalent with winter roadway conditions are snow/ice covered roads and black ice. As the magistrate, I preside over numerous hearings where snow or ice has been a factor in an accident. Unfortunately, most individuals fail to adjust their normal driving habits to accommodate the changing roadway conditions that winter brings. Snowy or ice covered roadways don't allow for "normal" reaction times to stop or steer a vehicle to avoid a traffic crash.

The result is numerous traffic crashes which are investigated by police officers. As a policy of traffic enforcement, traffic citations are issued. The most common traffic violation issued is what is referred to as a "Basic Speed Violation". This violation could include the offenses of speed too fast for conditions, following too closely, and failure to use due care and caution.

This type of violation is usually issued after an officer has conducted an investigation regarding the vehicle or vehicles involved in a traffic crash. The officer has determined that one or more drivers is at fault and issues a citation. The violation doesn't mean that the driver was driving in a reckless manner rather it infers they were driving too fast for the conditions, or failed to properly control their vehicle, leading to a traffic crash.

After a traffic crash has occurred the investigating police officer must determine what occurred. Some drivers describe that they have become a passenger in a car that they were driving. What does this mean? When people are driving all of a sudden events occur that cause them to take evasive maneuvers with their vehicle, slamming on the brakes or trying to steer the vehicle doesn't work. Now they are no longer "driving" the vehicle but are sitting behind the steering wheel, waiting for the vehicle to stop moving. They have essentially become a passenger. The ice or snow has taken away the ability to operate their vehicle properly. I mention the snow or ice as the culprit but in reality you as the driver are responsible for operating your vehicle in such a manner as to anticipate and avoid these situations before they occur. Anticipation is probably your best ally while

driving. If that vehicle ahead of me stops, can I stop in time? If that vehicle fails to stop for the stop sign, can I control my vehicle to avoid striking it? If I go over the overpass, is the bridge likely to be covered with black ice? Just because the sun is out on a cold crisp morning, is the roadway clear of any black ice? These and many more situations can, and should, be considered when the driving conditions of winter present themselves. Winter also brings shorter daylight hours forcing people to drive in nighttime conditions. This can also be a factor leading to a traffic crash due to limited visibility.

The fact is a traffic crash is eventually going to occur somewhere. Your best defense is to adjust your driving habits accordingly. Speed on the freeway at 70 miles per hour in July is vastly different than 70 miles per hour in January. Consider leaving earlier for work to avoid having to drive fast to get there on time. Plan your functions later to give yourself enough time to arrive safely. Please avoid texting and calling on your phone. Both substantially limit your ability to react to driving situations and traffic crash avoidance.

If you do receive a traffic citation, you do have the right to contest the violation through a formal or informal hearing at the District Court.

Have a safe and happy holiday season.

Magistrate Ken Knowlton, 56A District Court, Charlotte, MI

## **Delta Township Senior Council Facebook Page**

If you are a Delta Township Senior Citizen (50+), the new Delta Township Senior Council Facebook page is where you can learn about local government as well as active participation and mutual exchange of ideas and experiences of other senior citizens that will make Delta Township an even better place to live. Already featured on the Facebook page are the great Park Hop event, Delta Township District Library Lunchtime Thursday Lecture Series, and the new "Smell the Roses" metal sculpture on the east side of the township administration building. Soon to come: Delta-Waverly Garden Club plants 700 more daffodil bulbs along the East-West walkway in Sharp Park Woods. Join the active seniors working to make Delta Township an even more attractive place for seniors.

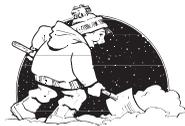


### Should You be Paying City Income Tax?

With income tax time rapidly approaching, Delta Township wants to eliminate some of the confusion residents have regarding the issue of City of Lansing income tax. Delta Township does not have an income tax. Some Delta residents with a Lansing address may believe they owe income tax; or, more frequently, their employer may have withheld city income tax over the year. Many times an employer will automatically withhold taxes when the address is Lansing. A Lansing address relates only to the United States Postal authorities for delivering mail. A Lansing address may mean that a person lives in Delta Township and therefore is not subject to city tax.

- Persons living in the City of Lansing pay a one percent tax, no matter where they work.
- Delta Township residents working in the City of Lansing pay one-half percent income tax.
- The following businesses located in Delta Township are subject to city income tax: GM-Delta Manufacturing Complex, located on Millett Highway, JCIM (Johnson Control Interior Manufacturing), Bridgewater Interiors, L.L.C., and Android Industries.
- Delta residents that do not work in the City of Lansing do not owe city income tax.

If residents discover that their employer withheld City of Lansing taxes in error, simply contact the Delta Township Clerk's Office and they will provide the employer with proper identification. If you have any questions regarding whether or not you are a Delta Township resident, please contact the clerk's office and they will be happy to assist you.



### Sidewalk Snow Removal

Delta Township property owners are reminded that they need to make arrangements to clear the snow and ice from sidewalks adjacent to their property. Section 34-92 of the Delta Township Code of Ordinances requires that snow and ice be removed from the sidewalk within 24 hours of snowfall. The code applies even if the property is vacant or the building on the premises is unoccupied. The Township's Snow Removal Ordinance can be viewed on the Township's website at [www.deltami.gov](http://www.deltami.gov). Questions regarding the snow removal ordinance can be forwarded to the Delta Township Planning Division at 323-8560. Thank you in advance for your cooperation!

### Eaton County Winter Road Maintenance

The Eaton County Road Commission is responsible for winter road maintenance on over 1,170 miles of roads, which includes the roads in Delta Township. Priority is placed on plowing or salting the most heavily traveled roadways first; county primary roads and certain high-traffic local roads in urban areas. After these roads are passable, crews move on to clear local paved roads throughout Eaton County. Typically, local subdivision streets and rural gravel roads are cleared after all other higher-traffic roads. Although crews may begin plowing or salting several hours before the morning peak traffic and continue operations into the night, extended winter storms or continuing winds may require them to continually plow the main high-traffic roads, which prevents them from reaching subdivision streets and rural gravel roads for several days. If you have any questions about winter road maintenance, please contact the Eaton County Road Commission at 877-883-2866.

### Passport Drives

The Delta Township Clerk's Office will be offering five passport drives during 2016. One official passport quality photo is required when submitting a passport application (form DS-11 ONLY) and can be obtained at the Clerk's Office for a \$12 fee per applicant. Please visit the U.S. Department of State website for documentation requirements, fees, and an application at [www.travel.state.gov](http://www.travel.state.gov). Two payments will be required: (1) Payable to U.S. Department of State for processing of your passport, and must be personal check or money order as the payment is attached to the passport application and (2) Payable to Delta Township for pictures and acceptance fee. The fee to Delta Township can be by cash, check or credit/debit card. For questions or further information please call the Delta Township Clerk's Office at 323-8500.



The Delta Township Clerk's Office will be open on the following dates for the acceptance of passport applications (Form DS-11 ONLY):

**2016 Passport Drives**

**Thursday, January 7**  
5-7 p.m.

**Wednesday, January 20**  
5-7 p.m.

**Monday, April 4**  
5-7 p.m.

**Saturday, July 30**  
8 a.m.-2 p.m.

**Thursday, September 22**  
5-7 p.m.

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7710 West Saginaw Highway  
Lansing, MI 48917

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## RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMER

**Delta Township  
Administrative Offices**  
7710 West Saginaw Highway  
323-8500, 323-8599 (Fax)  
Monday-Friday 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

**Waverly East  
Intermediate Pool**  
3131 West Michigan  
(office located at the  
Enrichment Center,  
4538 Elizabeth Road)  
484-5600  
Monday-Friday 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

**Hillside Cemetery**  
6415 Delta River Drive  
Information: 323-8500

**Delta Center Cemetery**  
7301 West St. Joe Highway  
Information: 323-8500

**Enrichment Center**  
4538 Elizabeth Road  
484-5600  
Rental Information: 323-8555

**Delta Township  
District Library**  
5130 Davenport Drive  
321-4014  
Monday-Thursday 10 a.m.-8 p.m.  
Friday 10 a.m.-6 p.m.  
Saturday 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

**Friends of the Library  
Used Book Store**  
5130 Davenport Drive  
321-4014 extension 614  
Monday-Thursday 10:30 a.m.-7:30 p.m.  
Friday 10:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.  
Saturday 10:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

**Recycling Center**  
5717 Millett Highway  
Information: 323-8500

**November 1-March 31**  
Tuesday 8 a.m.-4 p.m.  
Wednesday 12-6 p.m.  
Saturday 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

**April 1-October 31**  
Tuesday 8 a.m.-4 p.m.  
Wednesday 12-8 p.m.  
Saturday 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

**Community Center**  
7550 West Willow Highway  
Rental Information: 323-8555

**Delta Fire Station #1**  
811 North Canal Road  
321-6622 (Non-Emergency)  
Monday-Friday 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

**Delta Fire Station #2**  
7720 W. Grand River Ave.  
Grand Ledge, MI 48837

**Delta Fire Station #3**  
215 Snow Road

**Eaton County Sheriff/  
Delta Patrol**  
7708 Administration Drive  
372-8217 (Non-Emergency)  
Monday-Friday 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

**EATRAN** 371-3312 (Eaton Co.)

**Anderson Park**  
3207 Wardell Road

**Delta Mills Park**  
7001 Old River Trail

**Erickson Park**  
4220 South Canal Road

**Grand Woods Park**  
4500 West Willow Highway

**Hawk Meadow Park**  
6160 Delta River Drive

**Hunter's Orchard  
Park**  
7242 Old River Trail

**Lake Delta**  
3½ miles south of Saginaw  
Highway on Canal Road

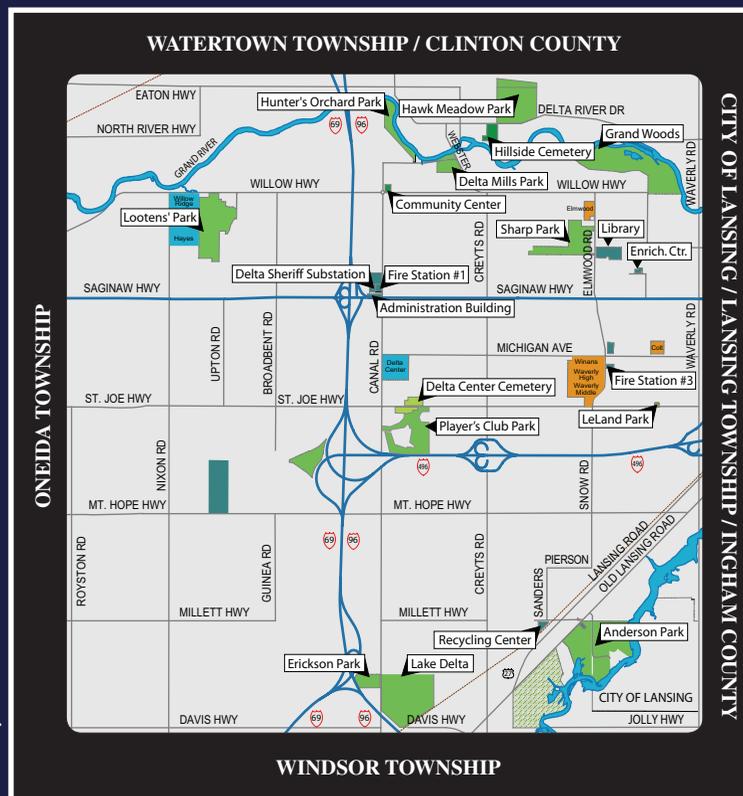
**LeLand Park**  
½ mile west of Waverly on  
St. Joe Highway

**Lootens Park**  
East of Nixon Road on  
Willow Highway

**Mt. Hope**  
North side of Mt. Hope east  
of Nixon Road

**Player's Club**  
South of St. Joseph on  
Canal

**Sharp Park**  
1401 Elmwood Road



*For a department directory including phone numbers and an overview of responsibilities, please see page 3.  
Unless specified, all addresses are Lansing, MI 48917.*