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GREEN LAKE TOWNSHIP

WINTER NEWSLETTER



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CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING



The Interlochen Chamber of Commerce is having their annual Christmas Tree Lighting, on Friday, December 7, 2007 at the Green Lake Township Offices/Fire Station, from 5:30-7:30 PM. There will be hot dogs, chips, pop, hot cocoa, and cookies served from 5:30 PM -7:30 PM, with music beginning at 6:00 PM. Santa will arrive at 6:30 PM with goodies, plus the lighting of the tree will be at 6:30 PM. There will be horse driven sleigh rides and the singing of Christmas Carols. Dress warm and come and join in on this special event sponsored by the Interlochen Chamber Of Commerce.

Holiday Schedule

Green Lake Township Offices will be closed the week between Christmas and New Years, with the exception of the Treasurer's office which will be open Thursday, December 27th, from 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM for people who want to pay their taxes in person.

Saying Good Bye and Good Luck

Green Lake Township has said good bye to Eric Johnson, our long time Assessor who has been at Green Lake Township for over 16 years. With all his diverse interests and abilities, he was offered a job as a manager of Canada Creek Ranch, a private hunting association in Montmorency County in northern Michigan. We will miss him but wish him the best of luck in his new venture. Interviews are underway for a new Assessor.

Welcome Rebecca, New EMS Director

Rebecca Pruyne is a familiar face and has been a volunteer for eleven years with Battalion 4. With the departure of Dee Chryst, last summer, Rebecca was able to step right into the position of EMS Director. Rebecca is an Instructor for Fire, CPR and special programs and battalion 4 safety officer. She is an EMT Basic and has experience in administration, has Firefighter I & II, Wild Land Fire Suppression, Arson Detection, Hazmat OPS and Awareness and is the leader and advisor for Explorers Post 911 in Grand Traverse County through the Scenic Trails Council, (a program for young adults 14—20 years old), plus many more credentials. She is a valuable asset to Battalion 4. Welcome Rebecca. Glad to have you on board.

TOWNSHIP BOARD

Supervisor: Paul Biondo
Clerk: Rita Dinger
Treasurer: Sue Schroeter
Trustee: Rick Sager
Trustee: Marvin Radtke
Trustee: David Bieganowski
Trustee: Sherry West

STAFF:

Zoning Adm: Krysti Baker
Secretary: Linda Cudney

Fire Chief: Mike Stinson
EMS Director: Rebecca Pruyne

MEETINGS:

Township Board: 2nd Monday
of the month at 6:00 PM

Planning Commission: 4th
Monday of the month at 6:30 PM

Zoning Board Of Appeals: 2nd
Wed of the month at 7:00 PM.

TOWNSHIP OFFICE HOURS

Mon-Thurs
8:00 AM- 5:30 PM
Closed Fridays

Website:

www.greenlaketownship.org

Email:

greenlaketownship@charter.net



Green Lake Township's Website

Green Lake Township is proud to be part of cyberspace. Check out www.greenlaketownship.org and you will find information on Green Lake Township office hours, clean up day, meeting dates and minutes of the meetings, newsletters, summer baseball, plus much more. Our email address: greenlaketownship@charter.net.

A New Design for Interlochen

Green Lake Township has been selected to participate in the Michigan State University's Small Town Design Initiative. Over the next 4-6 months, a design will be developed for the Interlochen Village area. The focus of their work will be the Village area entrance corridor and streetscape design. The Michigan State University personnel held their first visioning session on November 7, 2007. Approximately 60 Green Lake Township residents participated. Earlier this year, the Green Lake Township Board established the Interlochen Improvement District Authority. The Small Town Design Initiative's work will help keep the momentum moving and refine the plans. All Green Lake Township residents are invited to participate. The next session will be in January 2008. Please check the Green Lake Website at greenlaketownship.org or contact the Township offices for the exact date.

Important Voter Information.... Clerk Rita Dinger reports she can no longer send absentee ballot applications (Michigan Court Ruling) to voters who did not request one. Voters **MUST** request an application for an absentee ballot for all future elections. The January 15, 2008 Presidential Primary is still undecided. Watch for updates either in the newspaper or news.



INTERLOCHEN PUBLIC LIBRARY

Winter Hours:

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| Mon-Tues-Fri-Sat | 9:00 AM—5:00 PM |
| Wed-Thurs | 9:00 AM—8:00 PM |
| Sunday | Closed |

Besides the pre school story hour every Wednesday at 10:00 AM and 1:00 PM, PJ Night the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 6:30 PM, the book discussion group, monthly teen group and other regular activities, there is a new program called "Baby Playtime". This takes place each Friday with a drop in playtime for parents and babies under the age of 18 months.

The Library will have a mitten tree again this year from November 30-December 21, 2007. Donated mittens and hats that are placed on the tree will be given to children at the Interlochen Community School, who are in need of these items.

Call the Library for more information at 276-6767. The Interlochen Public Library is located at 9700 Riley Road. To keep updated about what is happening, check out the website at www.interlochenlibrary.org.



Green Lake Township Clean Up Day for 2008

is scheduled for June 14, 2008 from 8:00 AM-2:00 PM. It will be held at Green Lake Township Memorial Park again this coming year. There will be more on this in the spring newsletter. A total of 276 people used clean up day for a total cost of \$7,500.00. Allied Waste from Manistee, Grandpas Garage from Grawn and LC Tire from Blanchard Michigan assisted the Township with Clean Up Day.



From Sue Schroeter, Treasurer

Happy Holidays everyone. Tax collection hours are Monday through Thursday from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM. If paying by mail, postmarks will be honored. You may also leave your payment in the drop box in the office door before or after hours. A receipt will be mailed to you.



GREEN LAKE TOWNSHIP EMS & GRAND TRAVERSE FIRE DEPT. BATTALION 4



Welcome to new members Robert Young, who has completed his fire training and Adam Bugai who is currently taking firefighter training.

If you know of a young person between the ages of 14-19 that may be interested in exploring a career in emergency services, call Explorer Advisor, Rebecca Pruyne at 231 276-6297.

Green Lake Township Emergency services would like to take this opportunity to say "Thank You" to the businesses and individuals for their support of the 25th Annual Safe Community Halloween Party on October 31, 2007. Over 368 people attended, with 195 children and 173 adults.

The Fire Department is saddened to hear that Rudy Rakan, Assistant Chief, Battalion 4, is retiring after 25 years on the department. He will be missed.