



Now that we've started another new decade, it's time for the National Census. So, why should you be concerned about the Census and ensuring that everyone in Thomas Township is counted? The 2020 Census represents an opportunity for you, your family and your neighbors to maintain the quality of life that we have in both our community and our State. It's also a simple way for each of us to indirectly help control both State and local taxes. The reason that this is true is because Federal funds are distributed to State governments across the nation largely based upon population. The more people the State of Michigan can identify in the Census, the more federal funds that are allocated to Michigan. For the State, that can translate into approximately \$1,800 per person per year in Federal funding support. Likewise, the State then shares some of that funding with local governments largely on a population basis in the form of State Shared Revenues. For Thomas Township, this is our number one revenue source providing 39%± of our operational revenues. So, if there is a drop in the State Shared Revenues, the Township would have to cut services, increase revenues in some other way or dip into the rainy day fund.



For the same reason, the Census also helps to fund infrastructure for new roads and highways. We can all agree that Michigan roads are in need of major repair; however, they could be in even worse condition if Federal funds were reduced. It also helps with housing and foster care as well as Medicare and Medicaid. Maybe you don't use these

programs, but there is a good chance that someone you know does. If residents are not included in the count, we lose some of that funding to help those who need these programs. Non-Profit Organizations do their best to help those in need but they become heavily relied upon when State funding is cut. Let's make sure everyone gets what they need from these programs.

Lastly, Census data determines our State's representation at the Federal level of government. We lost a congressional seat after the last Census. This could happen again unnecessarily if we continue to lose population due to uncounted citizens. These seats ensure that Michigan residents are heard and that our needs and concerns can be addressed in Washington. Beyond that, Census population numbers can influence a variety of political issues, as well as drive economic development and other important social aspects of our State.

Be counted. It's more than just a 10 minute survey!

Thomas Township Board of Trustees

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249 N. Miller Road
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249 N. Miller Road
- DPW Administration781-6438
251 Miller Court
- Police Department ..781-1300
8215 Shields Drive
- Fire Department781-4141
8215 Shields Drive
- Library781-3770
8207 Shields Drive

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Christmas Tree Disposal

Residents in all 34 communities served by the Mid Michigan Waste Authority can put their fresh Christmas trees to the curb by 7 am on their regular trash day throughout the month of January.

You do not need to remove ornaments, tinsel, garland or other decorative items, and trees can be put to the curb with or without a tree bag.

Trees that are frozen to the ground or covered with snow will not be collected until they can be safely accessed by the driver. Large or heavy trees may have to be picked up by the bulk truck, and in those cases, trees should be collected within two days of the resident's regular service day.

The service applies only to Christmas trees that have been used as indoor holiday décor. State law prohibits yard waste and vegetation from being disposed of in the landfill; however, the ban does not apply to Christmas trees. Artificial trees may be placed to the curb as a bulky item at any time of the year.



2020 Important Dates

Holiday Trash Delays 2020

New Years Day:	Saturday, January 4th
Memorial Day:	Saturday, May 30th
Labor Day:	Saturday, September 12th
Thanksgiving:	Saturday, November 28th
Christmas:	Saturday, December 26th

Board of Trustee Meeting Dates

Meetings begin at 7:00 pm and are held at the Public Safety Building, located at 8215 Shields Drive.

Monday, January 6th	Monday, July 6th
Monday, February 3rd	Monday, August 3rd
Monday, March 2nd	Monday, September 14th
Monday, April 6th	Monday, October 5th
Monday, May 4th	Monday, November 2nd
Monday, June 1st	Monday, December 7th

Planning Commission Meeting Dates:

Meetings begin at 7:00 pm and are held at the Public Safety Building, located at 8215 Shields Drive.

Wednesday, January 15th	Wednesday, July 15th
Wednesday, February 19th	Wednesday, August 19th
Wednesday, March 18th	Wednesday, September 16th
Wednesday, April 15th	Wednesday, October 21st
Wednesday, May 20th	Wednesday, November 18th
Wednesday, June 17th	Wednesday, December 16th

Downtown Development Authority Meeting Dates

Meetings begin at 9:00 am and are held at the Public Safety Building, located at 8215 Shields Drive.

Tuesday, January 28th	Tuesday, July 28th
Tuesday, March 24th	Tuesday, September 22nd
Tuesday, May 26th	Tuesday, November 24th

Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting Dates

When needed, meetings will be held on the second Tuesday of each month. Meetings begin at 4:00 pm and are held at the Public Safety Building, located at 8215 Shields Drive.



2020 Election Dates

March 10, 2020 – Presidential Primary
May 5, 2020 – Possible School Election
August 4, 2020 – Primary Election
November 3, 2020 – General Election

Absentee Ballot Applications for the March 10, 2020 Presidential Primary are available online at:

https://www.michigan.gov/documents/sos/AVApp_535884_7.pdf or at the Clerk's office.

If you are not registered or need to update your address, you can do this online at <https://mvic.sos.state.mi.us/registervoter>. You can register to vote in person at the Secretary of State or Thomas Township Clerk's office.



Moving on to a New Chapter



Darold Schultz

One of our Public Works full-time staff members, Darold “Big O” Schultz will be retiring in late January from Thomas Township after 28 years of service. Darold has been an indispensable member of the Public Works Department and served as the staff foreman. Many of our residents know Darold and he has been coined as “Mr. Mayor” by our staff. His work ethic, demeanor, leadership and kindness will be missed. Good luck in retirement Darold. Thank you.

Ruth McDonald, Retiring after 31 Years

Long time Thomas Township resident Ruth McDonald has decided to step down after 31 years of working on the Thomas Township Planning Commission, some of this time was also served as Chairperson. As a resident and a business owner, she has been an influential figure within the Township and Planning Commission. She has always been able to see things from different perspectives. Ruth has been an amazing asset to Thomas Township as well as to the community itself, and we wish her well in her retirement from the Township.



Ruth McDonald

Sidewalks and Snow

Every winter some Township residents and business owners call and ask what the responsibility is for property owners who have public sidewalks across their frontage. The law requires the property owner abutting a sidewalk to clear the sidewalk within **48 hours** after a snowfall. It is very important to remember that because the weather is so unpredictable in Michigan, it is important to clean sidewalks as soon as possible so they do not get packed down from an accumulation of several snow falls.

Anyone with questions about the snow removal ordinance should call the Township Code Enforcement Officer at 781-0150.



Website Information

Make sure to check out our website at www.thomastwp.org for the latest updates from the Parks and Recreation Department about classes, camps, sports and more!

Trash & Treasure Community Rummage Sales 2020

Planning is underway in Thomas Township for the 2020 Trash & Treasures Rummage Sale Event. Though we do not have dates yet we do plan to run the event in the summer of 2020. We are trying to coordinate the dates with other Township events. The event has been a hit year after year and we look forward to seeing everyone register their sale or shop next year!

If you would like a registration form mailed or emailed to you when the dates are released please contact Jennifer at (989) 781-0150 or by email at: operator@thomastwp.org

If you are not a Thomas Township resident, you may still register your sale and it will be displayed in the address list section, however, it may not appear on the map itself.



Ticket Revenue

It's a warm sunny day and you are driving down the road with your windows down, jamming to your favorite radio station. All of a sudden, you see a police car behind you. You look down at your speedometer and it's over the speed limit. Your heart starts beating faster, you start to sweat, and you're saying to yourself "Please don't stop me." Then, you see the red and blue lights, so you pull over to the right shoulder and the police car follows you. In the end, you receive a civil infraction speeding citation.

You start thinking that the officer needed to meet his quota, the department needed more money, or the officer gets a bonus for the number of tickets he issues. None is true, in fact, most officers do not like to write tickets however it's part of the job.

You're probably wondering where the money goes. To answer that, it depends if the citation is written under state law or local ordinance. Since we live in Thomas Township, we'll address the local ordinance because that's the most common citation written by the Thomas Township Police Department.

Going back to the speeding citation you received, you go to the courthouse and pay, for example, \$145 for the ticket. You say to yourself that all of the \$145 is going to Thomas Township. Wrong! There are court costs, court fines and a set fee for the Justice System Assessment (JSA) within that \$145. The JSA fee is currently set at \$40 for each civil infraction ticket. After the \$40 is taken out and deposited into the JSA fund; that would leave \$105 for Thomas Township. Wrong again. Two-thirds of the \$105 (\$69.30) will go to the Court funding unit, which is Saginaw County. Thomas Township will receive the other third of \$34.65.



If we use the number of violations in 2018 by Thomas Township, which was 813 and multiply it to \$34.65, Thomas Township would receive \$28,170.45 in ticket revenue for 2018. This goes into the Townships General Fund, as mandated by the State, and not into the police budget. The \$35 amount used is on the low end of the fines and court cost in 2018. You can say that writing citations creates revenue, but the revenue it does create is a drop in the bucket.

The figures used were from the 2018 House Fiscal Agency Memorandum for the recommended range of fines and costs for civil infractions for first-time offenders, responsibility admitted, non-accident violations.

Al Fong,
Police Chief

Public Works: A Year in Review

It is amazing how fast the year goes by. Just yesterday, the spring flowers were blooming, now all the leaves are gone. This time of year, we all seem to look back at ourselves and reminisce, so this article will highlight the efforts of the Department of Public Works over this past year.

Public Works operates and maintains the water distribution system that includes over 115 miles of water mains, 933 fire hydrants, 1,703 valves and services 4,781 residential, commercial or industrial customers. From December 2018 through November 2019, we provided 794,855,000 gallons of water (or an average daily water use of 2,379,806 gallons per day). Over the past year, staff repaired or replaced 557 water meters and added 14 new customers. Your Public Works staff also responded to water related issues for the year that included 220 “Check for Leaks” or follow-up requests, helping residents and business owners alike find the causes of high water uses through leaky fixtures and water services. These efforts saved those customers potentially thousands of dollars in wasted water use. We also completed a couple of water system improvements to maintain the reliability of the water supply. Finally, staff performed maintenance on our fire hydrants, including repainting 367 of them.

The Public Works staff also operates and maintains the sanitary sewer system that includes over 67 miles of sewer mains, 700 manhole structures and 15 sewage pumping stations located throughout the Township. The sewer system services 3,376 residential, commercial or industrial customers. From December 2018 through November 2019, we discharged 445,734,000 gallons of sewage, or an average daily discharge of 1,221,189 gallons per day for treatment and disposal. Besides the maintenance and operation of the water and sewer system, staff also provided over 2,029 underground utility location services through the MISS DIG system.

Buildings and facilities generally fall within the responsibilities of the Public Works Department. This year staff performed landscape maintenance, painting and cleaning services to 7 different buildings or grounds including the Township’s Owen Cemetery. Some significant improvements were made at the Owens Cemetery entrance where we installed a beautiful arched entrance. We also inspected over 25 miles of sidewalk and performed preventive maintenance on 30 sidewalk pads by removing tripping hazards. These efforts saved residents and businesses the cost of having to replace the sidewalks at their expense) Public Works staff replaced the Gratiot Road Banners numerous times over the course of the year and of course completed the Holiday decorations seen throughout the Township. A special shout out goes to our seasonal help this year: Mark, Dave, Jeffrey, Nolan, Gene and Mike. Without their hard work, Public Works would not have been able to accomplish the little extra things that make Thomas Township a great place to live.

Rick, Jerri, Renee, Darold, Trevor, Darryl, Steve, Jayson, Tyler, Chris, Kris, Marcia, Mark, Dave, Jeffrey, Nolan, Gene and Mike.

DPW Looking Ahead

We are looking at completing some extensive sewer system maintenance and cleaning. We are planning to continue to install or update water meters under our water meter replacement program. Finally, your public works will continue to strive harder to provide the best possible service for the least cost possible. Thanks for your support and it is a pleasure to work for you.

Joining the Team

Joining our Public Works staff this year is Chris Shepherd, Marcia Huffer, Nolan Breternitz, Gene Munger and Mike Messisco. Welcome aboard!

Best Wishes!

Dana Stemple, one of our long-time after-hours custodians has begun a new chapter in her life and decided to retire in Spetember after 8 years of service.

Dave Morlic, a long-time seasonal helper retired from service in October. Dave was instrumental in our annual Christmas displays.

Thank you both. You’ll be missed!

Fire Hydrant Accessibility

Fire hydrants are strategically located throughout the Township and are used in emergencies to combat fires of all sorts. With wintertime upon us, we ask that you help us keep snow away from any hydrant. Please keep a three foot radius around the hydrant snow free. Hydrants can be difficult to see in the dark and when they are buried in snow, it becomes even more of a challenge when every second counts.

Please do not plow snow against a fire hydrant. You are not only making it difficult to get to in emergencies, you are likely damaging the water pipes connecting the hydrant to the water mains underground. You never know, the next time that hydrant is needed, it may be for your home.

Residents Answer the Call for Helping Our Community

The Thomas Township Fire Department has gained five new committed members this year! They are residents who have said they want to help their community by helping their neighbors in need within the Township. We noted a need for additional fire fighters on signs located at both Fire Stations. When we ask for people, we need people who are willing to dedicate a large amount of time towards helping our community. A background check along with physical and physical agility exams are required before applicants can go on to the rest of the hiring process and attend medical/fire training classes.

When we have a resident who is in need of the fire department services, there are now 29 responders available to answer that call. The first two residents to answer the call for help were **Ed Blue and Stephan Allison**. Both are certified in medical, while Ed is certified for fire fighting. A few months ago, we found three more selfless individuals: **Brian Foley, Allen Dalton, and Stephen Pavlik**. Two of the three are medically licensed and all three including one plus on additional member, **Jenna Stevenson**, began the fire academy in December. They will each invest approximately 360 hours in the fire academy. Upon their completion, they will be certified in both fire and medical skills.

As a community, we are extremely fortunate to have these 29 dedicated members who give up so much of their own time to help others. These folks also maintain fulltime jobs, have hobbies, operate households and maintain families. Somewhere in this mix, they still attend training meetings to maintain their quality skills and respond to calls to protect us all.

As you can see, there is more to it than just saying “I am on the fire department.” We welcome these five new faces and I encourage each of you to say ‘thank you’ to all of the fire department members for the hours they invest to protect you and your family.

Thank you,

Michael Cousins
Fire Chief



Left to right: Stephen Pavlik, Stephan Allison, Ed Blue and Allen Dalton. (Not Pictured: Brian Foley)

KEEP THEM CLEAR

If there's a **fire hydrant** near your house, do your part to keep it accessible this winter:

3 ft. 3 ft.

CLEAR-AWAY ZONE

- Remove any snow and ice
- Clear a wide enough perimeter around the hydrant for firefighters to work (about 3 feet)
- Clear a path from hydrant to street

Flooding, Are You Prepared?

Flooding is not uncommon in our area, as heavy rains often cause flash flooding that swell our local rivers and streams. Flooding can pose many health, safety and economic threats which could force you to leave your home. It is definitely worth the time to learn what to do in case flooding occurs.



What is the difference between a Flood Watch and a Flood Warning issued by the National Weather Service?

- **Flash Flood Warning: Take Action!** A Flash Flood Warning is issued when a flash flood is imminent or occurring. If you are in a flood prone area, move immediately to high ground. A flash flood is a sudden violent flood that can take from minutes to hours to develop. It is even possible to experience a flash flood in areas not immediately receiving rain.
- **Flood Warning: Take Action!** A Flood Warning is issued when the hazardous weather event is imminent or already happening. A Flood Warning is issued when flooding is imminent or occurring.
- **Flood Watch: Be Prepared:** A Flood Watch is issued when conditions are favorable for a specific hazardous weather event to occur. A Flood Watch is issued when conditions are favorable for flooding. It does not mean flooding will occur, but it is possible.

Flood Advisory: Be Aware: A Flood Advisory is issued when a specific weather event that is forecast to occur may become a nuisance. A Flood Advisory is issued when flooding is not expected to be bad enough to issue a warning. However, it may cause significant inconvenience, and if caution is not exercised, it could lead to situations that may threaten life and/or property.

Source: National Weather Service

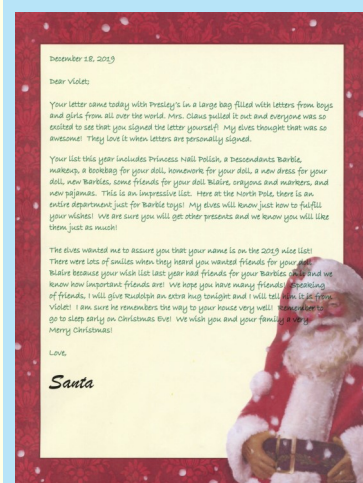
Staying Safe: Floodwater can be contaminated, so minimize your exposure to it when at all possible. If your home does flood, it is best to turn off the main breakers to prevent electrical issues in your home. If you have to travel during this time keep in mind that driving through flood waters can be extremely dangerous and the best practice is to turn around and seek an alternate route. Before any emergency it is always smart to have a plan already in place to ensure everyone's health and safety.

Another good tip is to make sure you have flashlights for events when the power goes out. Never use candles for emergency lighting. If you have a generator, make sure to keep it a safe distance away from the home so that exhaust fumes do not fill your home.

Joe Giacoletti,
Fire Inspector

Letters to and from Santa Claus

Every year Santa's mailbox is placed at the Main Municipal Building, located at 249 N. Miller Road, for boys and girls to write letters to Santa. As long as Santa's letter is dropped off in time to make it to the North Pole and back, Santa is able to write back each child with a personalized letter. This includes toys wished for, Rudolph hugs and more! We love watching the kids light up when dropping off Santa's letter and truly enjoy being able to spread the Holiday Cheer as far as we can! Make sure not to miss Santa's mailbox next year so your child can have their own letter from Santa too!



From the Treasurer

Listed below is a sample tax bill detail for an average home in Thomas Township. The only amount of your tax bill that the Township keeps is listed below as “Township”. This amount is equal to about 3-4% of your total winter tax bill. Local Operating (general fund) is the amount of money the Township receives to operate everything in the Township, except the Library, Water Department and the Sewer Department.

The Public Safety millage (6-7% of the tax bill) and the Fire millage (1% of the tax bill) offset the majority of the Police Department and Fire Department expenses, but the General Fund must still supplement a large portion of their operations. This holds true for the Parks & Recreation Department as well.

The Township Library also receives its operating income from a local millage, which was voted in by Thomas Township residents. About 2% of each tax bill goes to operate the Public Library in Thomas Township. The remaining 85% of your tax bill is sent to various OTHER taxing jurisdictions such as the County of Saginaw, Delta College, ISD and the local schools.

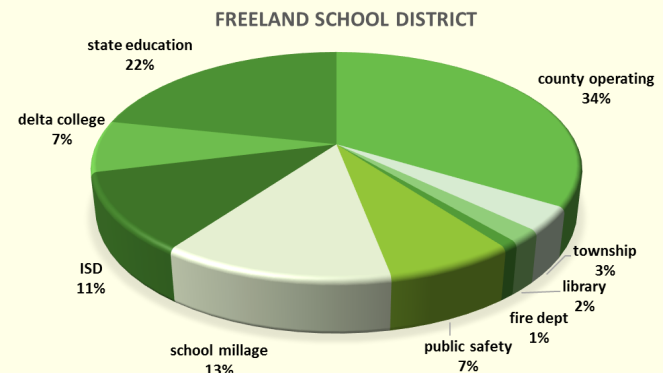
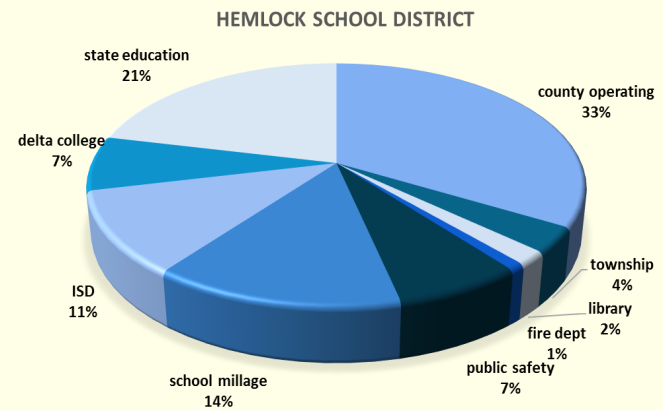
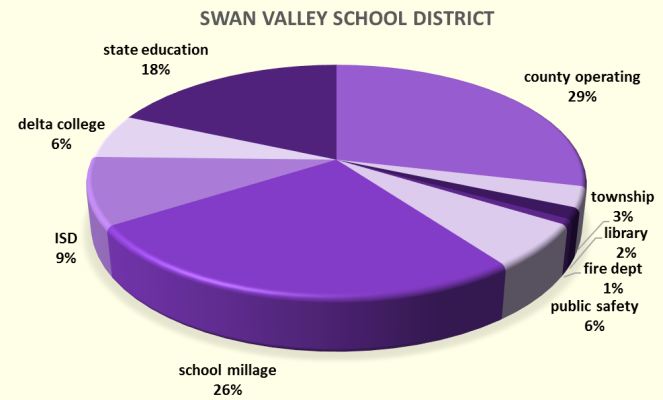
Vern Webber,
Treasurer

Assessing Updates

Your 2020 Assessment Notices will be in your mailbox the last week of February. **THIS IS THE ONLY NOTICE OF WHAT YOUR ASSESSMENT (SEV); TAXABLE VALUE (TV) AND PRE EXEMPTION WILL BE FOR 2020.** If you have any questions about your assessment notice, you should contact the Assessor as soon as your assessment notice arrives in the mail. **Do not wait**, as you may lose your opportunity to appeal these values.

There is only one time of the year that assessments can be protested, and that is at the March Board of Review. The 2020 March Board of Review is tentatively scheduled for **March 9th & 10th, 2020** (please call to make an appointment). If there is an error in your assessment and you wish to appeal the values, which the assessor placed on your property, you must attend the March Board of Review. If the Board does not agree with your appeal, you may then protest to the Michigan Tax Tribunal; however, you **must** first appeal to the March Board of Review. The Assessor can be reached Monday, Tuesday and Friday from 9:00 am— 5:00 pm.

Jill Peters, MAAO
Thomas Township Assessor



Christmas Train & Festival of Lights Thank You

Thomas Township along with the Parks and Recreation Department would like to thank everyone who came out and supported the 2019 Christmas Train and Festival of Lights. This was the 9th year the Township has held the event and each year it has grown due to all of the community support!



Mrs. Claus & Santa Claus

Courtesy; Domagalski Photography

We would like to give a special thank you to The Thomas Township Business Association for sponsoring the event. The community support from local businesses and organizations help make our events successful each year. Thank you Thomas Township Business Association for your continued support!

We also want to say thank you to our friends at Domagalski Photography who supplied free pictures with Santa Claus to everyone who attended the event along with a thank you to all the businesses and individuals who helped set up lights and make the train ride so enjoyable. Without you, this event would not be possible!

Sponsor:

Thomas Township Business Association

Displays:

Apple Mountain Resort
Adriene Galbrath
Stanley Steamer
Tri-Valley Construction
Riverbend Storage
McDonald Ford
Hemlock Semiconductor
Hemlock Middle School
Edward Jones Investments
My Members Insurance Agency
Wolgast Restoration
Knights of Columbus
Shields Lions Club
J.R.'s All Star Haircuts for Men



Train Barn Christmas Display



Christmas Display

Courtesy; Domagalski Photography

Parks & Recreation Commission Members

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Carly Rusch, Secretary

Angela Alworden

Craig Blower

Dean Rusch

DJ Sova

Eric Whelton

Parks & Recreation Staff Members

John Corriveau,
Director

Tyler Sutherlund,
Asst. Director

Meaghan Zielinski,
Receptionist

The Parks & Recreation Office is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm and can be reached at (989) 781-0151. If the office is closed for any reason, please stop into the main office for further assistance.



ONLINE REGISTRATION is available for Parks and Recreation Programming. You can access the online registration at thomastwp.org. When using the online registration system to register for Parks and Recreation Programming, you **MUST** pay for the program you are registering for at the time you fill out the registration form or you will not be considered enrolled in that program. Registration is a two step process. Once you hit **REGISTER NOW**, you will register, agree to the terms and hit **SEND**. You will then be redirected to the payment options on the next screen. From there you should receive a confirmation email of payment. If you do not receive a confirmation, then your payment was not able to be processed and registration will not be able to be completed.

Not all programs are available for online registration. If you have any questions feel free to call the Parks and Recreation office at (989) 781-0151 or stop into the Parks and Rec office at 249 North Miller Road.

Winter Fun in the Parks

Ice Skating & Hockey

There are two ice rinks at Community Park, located behind the Thomas Township Office Building at 249 N. Miller Road. Due to unpredictable Michigan winter weather and the fact that the temperature tends to climb during the day and fall at night, we cannot guarantee the quality of the ice. One rink is for hockey and one is for leisure skating. Please pay attention to the “Rinks are Closed” signage if it is up. You will see the signs primarily after the rinks have been flooded and are not frozen solid, or after a natural thaw. We close the rinks to ensure your safety on the slushy ice.

Sledding

There is a lighted sledding hill at Day Park, located on S. River Road just north of Ronald Drive.



These winter activities are not monitored by Township Staff. Parental supervision is mandatory.

Join an Archery Class!

Archery classes are held at the Saginaw Field and Stream Club, located at 1296 N. Gleaner Road. To give each student individual attention, class sizes are limited to 12 students, so please sign up early!

All archery classes are six week programs that are taught every Thursday. Students learn about recurve, compound and cross-bows. Instructors are certified through USA Archery and the National Field Archer’s Association (NFAA).

There are 3 class sessions offered with the first session beginning on January 2nd. Registration for the first session ended on Wednesday November 22nd. The second session offered will begin February 20th and registrations are being taken now until the classes are full. A third session will begin April 16th, 2020 with registration continuing until classes are full. Dates are subject to some changes based on weather cancelations.

Fees:

Resident: \$55
Non-Resident: \$60

Soccer Clinic

Our Soccer Clinic is for ages 4-8 years old. Registration is underway for both boys and girls and will continue until January 10th 2020. A \$10 late fee will be charged after January 10th until registration closes January 17th, 2020. Don’t forget you can also register online until the first deadline! During the last week of registration you can only register at our office.

The clinic is an instructional program. Participants will be taught the fundamentals of soccer. The soccer clinic will be held on Saturday mornings at Swan Valley High School, located at 8400 Ohern Road.

Ages 4-5: 9:00 am to 10:15 am
Ages 6-8: 10:30 am to 11:45 am

Fees:

Resident: \$50
Non-Resident: \$55

Swingin’ Seniors

The Swingin’ Seniors meet the first Wednesday of the month for a potluck luncheon and to play bingo. Bring a dish to pass and join in on the fun! Lunches are at noon at the Thomas Township Public Safety Building, located at 8215 Shields Drive. For any questions please call the parks office at (989) 781-0151.



Previous Archery Class



Previous Soccer Clinic

Girls Basketball

Girls basketball leagues are forming for 2nd-4th grade and 4th-7th grades. Girls in 4th grade can choose to play up with the 5th-7th graders or down with the 2nd and 3rd graders. Registration will continue until January 10th, 2020. After this date, a \$10 late fee will be assessed with no registrations being taken after January 17th, 2020.

Saturday games begin February 15th, 2020 at Swan Valley High School, located at 8400 Ohern Road. The draft for girls in 4th-7th grades will be on February 2nd, 2020 at 1:00 pm. Volunteer coaches are also needed for this program! Please stop in or call the Parks and Recreation Office for more information at (989) 781-0150.



Girls Basketball

Fees:

Resident: \$50
Non-Resident: \$55

Floor Hockey

Floor hockey is back this year for grades 1st-3rd. This will be an instructional program with coaching and reffing provided by Thomas Township staff. There won't be any practices for Floor Hockey. Kids will learn the basics of the game and be able to put their skills to the test for 6 weeks. Games will be held on Saturdays beginning on February 15th. Stop into the office at 249 N. Miller Road to register or if you have any questions. You can also register online until the registration deadline Friday, January 10th. During the last week of registration you can only register at the office with a late fee. Registration will close on January 17th.



Floor Hockey; Face Off

Fees:

Resident: \$50
Non-Resident: \$55



Pavilion at Roethke Park

2020 Pavilion Rentals

It's time to reserve your pavilion for the 2020 season. Starting January 2nd Pavilion reservations will open to **residents only**. In February, we open up the registration process to non-residents.

Fees: *Fees Subject to Change*

Resident: \$60
Non-Resident: \$90
Companies: \$110

Community Calendar 2020

- March 2nd
Winter Taxes Due in office without penalty
- March 9th & 10th
March Board of Review at the Department of Public Works Building, 251 Miller Court
- March 10th
Presidential Primary Election
- May 5th
Possible School Election
- May 8th & 9th
Rebel Magnolia Flea Market
- August 4th
Primary Election
- November 3rd
General Election

Upcoming Events!



Thomas Township

249 N. Miller Road
Saginaw, MI 48609-4896

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2020 Brush Drop Off Dates

Brush may be taken by the homeowner to the Township brush drop off site located at the northwest corner of N. Gleaner & Frost Roads (Access drive from N. Gleaner). No stumps, leaves, grass or commercial brush of any kind will be accepted. The site will be open from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm on the following dates:

Drop Off Dates:

April 4, 11, 18 & 25	August 1, 15 & 29
May 9 & 23	September 12 & 26
June 6 & 20	October 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31
July 11 & 25	

Yard Waste Pick-up will begin in April