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MAYOR'S MEMO: BOB PAUL

2020, what can we say, have you ever wanted a year to be over more than this one? If only the pandemic would slip away as easily as the ball falls in Times Square and the new year ushers in.

Then I stopped and thought about all the new things we did this year thanks to the programs that were developed by the hard-working and inspired City staff to keep our community engaged.

Outreach to seniors was kicked into high gear to make sure they had the resources they needed. If you are 60 years+ and Jennifer hasn't connected with you yet and you're interested in being on her radar - make the connection - HWCares@hwmi.org or 248.581.2712.

Hundreds of PORCH PICTURES were taken to commemorate no work, no salons, no schools and everyone being home at the same time for a photo. To commemorate the first 6 months of COVID-19, Colette put together photo books that document Huntington Woods during this period. It is a historic look that will be treasured for generations.

The Library and Rec Center ZOOMed into action with virtual and safe in-person offerings of all sorts. I don't have enough room to mention them all, but hundreds of children and adults were engaged by the staff that just wouldn't let the pandemic get them down.

The July 4th parade went virtual with the help of many residents adding their own short clips to a video compiled by Judy Olds. The video truly captures the spirit of our community during these unusual times. On a side note, it was just announced that the July 4th Virtual Parade was selected as a 2021 Innovative Programming Award Winner by the Michigan Recreation and Parks Association. YAY!

Teen Council hasn't slowed down either! Meeting (via Zoom) twice a month they have been planning programming, service projects (food drive, HW logo mask and more) and a 1st quarter 2021 calendar focusing on what we can do to learn more about social injustice.

Maybe it's a shame that it took a pandemic and the death of George Floyd to get us to work on an Anti-Racism Plan but we're here now, and consider it is as a beginning and a good framework to build on, one that we will keep in the forefront of our decision-making process for years to come. And in the midst of this pandemic the US Census Bureau reported that for cities of 5,000 or more in population, Huntington Woods had the highest percent of participation for the 2020 Census in the United States.

I know everyone is getting tired and pandemic fatigue is setting in, so hopefully this will help you re-focus on some of the good things that we did as a community to deal with these trying times. Yes, our buildings are closed but remember the staff is working and available by phone or e-mail. Keep the faith, the Winter will pass and the hope for a return to many of the HW norms is strong! In the meantime, smile, stay safe and keep wearing those masks and social distancing.

Your Mayor,

Bob

BIG TRUCK PARADE

Huntington Woods Public Safety Chief Pazuchowski and Berkley Chief Koehn cordially invite you to attend a BIG TRUCK PARADE on Tuesday, February 16 at 10:00 am, beginning at the Huntington Woods City Hall. We will be having an exciting parade, filled with police cars, fire trucks, an ambulance, DPW trucks and more. Some trucks involvement will be weather dependant, but we anticipate plenty of vehicles to make for a very special parade!

Spectators are encouraged to wear a SUPERHERO costume to help honor our own very special superheroes. Poster board signs of support are also encouraged.

The route begins at HW City Hall, south on Scotia Road, to Ludlow. East to Meadowcrest and north to Eleven Mile. The parade will then enter Berkley down Cass (north) to Catalpa and then south down Mortensen and then head back to their stations!

Spectators are reminded they must maintain social distancing and please wear a mask for your safety and everyone around you.



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Public Safety

DPS

12755 W. Eleven Mile Road
248.541.1180

Emergency (Berkley Dispatch): 911
huntingtonwoods.gov/office.com

BUILDING HOURS

Monday - Friday, 8:30 am to 5:00 pm

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Director Andrew Pazuchowski

Deputy Chief: Bill Cudney

Lieutenants: Mark Bell, Bill Spencer
and Ben Zawacki

Huntington Woods Department of Public
Safety is a nationally-accredited agency.

BUILDING HOURS

Non-emergency and general business calls are received by Huntington Woods Public Safety during normal business hours, Monday through Friday, 8:30 am - 5:00 pm. After 5:00 pm, telephone services are switched over to Berkley Dispatch. All 9-1-1 calls are answered by Berkley dispatch 24 hrs a day.

SPECIAL NEEDS EMERGENCY FORM

To protect children and adults with special needs, the Public Safety Departments of Huntington Woods, Oak Park and Berkley are requesting families with special needs members to fill out a **Special Needs Emergency Information Form**. The information is kept confidential and only used by Public Safety Officers who respond to an incident involving a person with special needs. All Public Safety Officers have received specialized training for responding to incidents involving a person with Autism and mental illness. This is a voluntary program and participants are encouraged to annually update photographs, so officers can readily identify special needs family members. For more information call 248.541.1180.

KINDCALL

Kindcall is an automatic telephone calling service for residents. A Public Safety Dispatcher calls the resident daily at a pre-approved time. If no one

answers the phone, a Public Safety officer responds to the home to assure the resident is safe. The service is upon request and is free of charge. Contact 248.541.8064 to enroll.

KNOX-BOX SERVICE

The Knox Company has been the leading provider in the Rapid Access Solutions to the fire service, government and security industries for more than 30 years. The Knox-Box Residential Program is an extension of the Knox Rapid Entry system that provides first responders with safe and immediate entry into a residential property in the event of an alarm or an emergency.



Interested residents should contact Sgt. Jordan at DPS, 248.541.8064 for approval and program information.

COMMUNITY NOTIFICATION

Nixle provides a quick, efficient, and secure way to get neighborhood-level information out to community members who subscribe to the system. Through www.nixle.com, the Public Safety Department is able to send text message (SMS) and e-mail alerts to subscribers in a specific area. Register on the city website, hwmi.org.

OVERNIGHT STREET PARKING

Reminder, the City has an ordinance that prohibits parking on all streets, 3:00 - 5:00 am. If there is some reason why you need to park on the street during these hours, please contact DPS at 248.541.1180. Permission to park on the street is given on a case-by-case basis.

RX DRUG DROP-OFF BOX

The dropbox is suspended until further notice. SOCRRA's Household Hazardous

Waste Drop-off Program is available by appointment only, www.socrra.org. SOCRRA is at 995 Coolidge Hwy, Troy, MI 48084.

SAFE HAVEN

DPS is offering its lobby as a "Safe Haven" for Craigslist or like transactions. Nationwide, many Craigslist scams have resulted in robberies, assaults and even homicides. Residents do not need to call in advance. The Public Safety Lobby is open 24/7. However, you will need to use the red phone located in the foyer to contact a public safety officer Monday-Friday after 5:00 pm and on weekends/holidays. If the involved party refuses to meet in the lobby or parking lot of our Public Safety Department, refuse the transaction.

Officers will need to be aware that a transaction is taking place, but will not serve as witnesses or take part in the transactions unless something gave rise to their involvement. By being proactive and implementing a Safe Haven for such transactions, it allows our residents the opportunity to meet in a safe environment.

SAFETY SEAT INSPECTIONS

Suspended until further notice.

SIREN TEST SCHEDULE

Oakland County Homeland Security tests the outdoor warning siren system on the first Saturday of each month at 1:00 pm.

WALKERS/RUNNERS

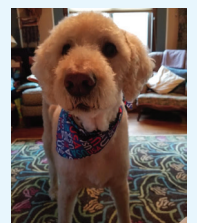
All walkers/runners are encouraged to use sidewalks where provided. It is contrary to traffic law to use the street for jogging or walking. Where no sidewalks are available, pedestrians should use the left side of the street facing traffic. Always carry ID in case of emergency. Wear light colored clothing or reflective vests so you are visible to traffic. Public Safety has free reflective Velcro arm bands for added visibility.

DOG LICENSES

Dog licenses need to be purchased/renewed annually. Renewal cost is \$8 (neutered) and \$15 (non-neutered), and increases after March 15. New licenses are \$15. Proof of rabies vaccination is required.

Purchase/Renew Online: https://www.hwmi.org/government/dog_license.php. License will be mailed when purchased/renewed online.

In Person: Monday-Friday, 8:30 am - 5:00 pm, at the front desk of the Public Safety department



City Notes

2020 WINTER TAXES AND WATER BILL PAYMENTS

The 2020 Winter taxes were mailed to those homeowners without an escrow account on November 30, 2020. If you do not have an escrow account and did not receive a tax bill by now, contact the Treasurer's Office immediately. Winter taxes are due February 14, 2021. Non-receipt of the bill does not negate the owner's responsibility to pay. Taxes for those who were eligible for the summer tax deferment are also due in full on February 14, 2021. Any 2020 property tax bills not paid by February 28, 2021 are turned over to Oakland County for collection.

Property taxes and water bills may now be paid online by visiting the City website. Payment may be made by credit card or e-check. Please note fees may be attached to this service.

Water payments may also be direct debited from your bank account similar to the convenience offered by many utility companies. Enrollment forms may be obtained on the city website or by calling the Treasurer's office at 248 541.4300, ext 639.



property taxes will be based on the values stated on the notice. If you disagree with your assessment, contact the Treasurer's office immediately to make an appointment with the March Board of Review. The March Board of Review is the only opportunity to make an appeal, please call early to schedule an appointment.

BE IN THE KNOW

Did you know that our City Manager, Amy Sullivan has a near-weekly eBlast for residents with the most up-to-date information in it? Find the sign-up link on the homepage of the city webpage, HWMI.ORG under the E-Newsletter link. You may also call Amy directly at 248.581.2632 to sign up over the phone.

BLOCK/PARK PARTY RESERVATIONS

Due to Covid-19 concerns, we are not granting park reservations or block party requests at this time. The City will reevaluate issuing park reservations and Block Party permits April 1st. In the meantime, check out the park reservation info on the city website for information on how to reserve a park if the Covid-19 conditions have improved by this spring.



FREE WIFI

Should anyone find themselves without wifi, the Recreation Center wifi is TheWoodsWifi and the password is Access26815. You should be able to connect from the parking lot's front spots.

2021 CHANGE OF ASSESSMENT NOTICES

The 2021 Change of Assessment notices will be mailed to homeowners in late January or early February from Oakland County Equalization Department. Please examine your notice carefully. Your 2021

HWMC SERVICE AUCTION: CALL FOR GIFTS!

One of the biggest social and fundraising events of the season, the Men's Club Service Auction, is coming up! In order to have the best auction to date, donations of items to auction are needed. Tickets, art work, services, gift cards are all welcome - but don't be afraid to get creative! The BEST ITEMS are those that cannot be easily purchased anywhere else.

HWMC is shooting for a late spring event with full details being determined this winter.

Please support the Men's Club. All auction proceeds are reinvested back into the community. Date is to be determined but we plan to have an online component like last year.

Contact hwmc.gift.chair@gmail.com for info or to submit a donation.



City Hall

26815 Scotia Road
248.541.4300
www.hwmi.org

CITY OFFICES HOURS

Monday - Friday, 8:30 am - 5:00 pm
Closed for lunch from 1:00 - 2:00 pm

OFFICES CLOSED

At the time of printing, ALL city buildings are closed to the public due to the pandemic. Staff are available by phone/email. When the city offices are open to the public, the following holidays will be observed and City Hall will be closed: December 24 - 25, 31 and January 1, 18, February 15 and April 2.

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Amy Sullivan, City Manager, x632
Tim Rowland, Finance Director, x640
Heidi Barckholtz, City Clerk, x638
Jamie Still, Dpty Finance Director, x639
Amy Hood, Dpty Clerk/Building, x633
Hank Berry, Planning Dept, x637
Duaine Franks, Building Dept, x633



OFF TO THE RACES

The Berkley Education Foundation will host its 12th annual Off to the Races event on Saturday, February 6 at 7:00 pm. This year's event will go virtual and will include an online silent auction and many other fun surprises. Join the BEF to raise funds to support the Berkley School District. The BEF provides funding for teacher mini-grants at all schools, enrichment classes for elementary students and (when it's safe) college tours for all 8th grade students. Learn more at www.BerkleyEdFoundation.org

Upcoming COMMUNITY EVENTS

Up-to-date info on meetings and events can be found on the home page of the city website.
www.hwmi.org

Library

COVID-19 RESPONSE

The City of Huntington Woods has prepared a Covid-19 response plan for employees to return to work and serve residents in a safe environment. To see the measures planned for all departments, visit the City of Huntington Woods website.



The Library offers curbside service for library materials. Go online or call the library to place holds on materials. You will get a notice when your materials are ready. Call the library to arrange pick up.

Please continue to explore and make full use of the virtual services we have to offer!

While our doors are closed, we are working hard to ensure that the Library continues to be an asset to the community.

We have digital materials of all sorts to offer: ebooks, language learning, reviews of consumer goods, music, movies, tv shows, magazines, language learning, genealogy, and more! All can be found on our website, **Huntington-WoodsLib.org**.

All of our digital resources can be accessed with your active Huntington Woods Library Card. Don't have a card? Apply for a temporary card that will be valid until we open back up. Trouble with your card? Renew your library card or check on your pin by emailing us.

Missing story time? Youth story times and book clubs are ongoing, but located in your living room! Check our Facebook page for details. Our Adult Book Club meets monthly on Zoom.

While our complete re-opening timeline is uncertain, we miss our patrons and hope you will continue to use our resources in the meantime! Don't hesitate to contact us with any questions.

LEARNING A NEW LANGUAGE WITH MANGO

Mango Languages is free for all library patrons, and offers a fast and convenient solution for language-learning needs.



Each lesson combines real life situations and audio from native speakers with simple, clear instructions. The courses are presented with an appreciation for cultural nuance and real-world application that integrates components of vocabulary, pronunciation, grammar, and culture. Users learn actual conversation, breaking down complex linguistic elements within an audio-visual framework that draws important connections and builds on information they have already learned.

The funding for Mango was made possible through the Library Penny Drive. Thank you to all those who donated!

You can access Mango through the library website at www.huntingtonwood-slib.org

SAVE \$\$\$\$

According to government statistics, a family could save \$155 per year reading library books, magazines, and newspapers rather than buying them. They could save an additional \$520 annually if they borrowed rather than rented movies (\$4 each/one per week), borrowed rather than bought CD's (\$16 each/one per month), and borrowed rather than bought books on CD (\$30 each/ four per year). By using the library, the savings realized in one year could total \$675.



BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP VIA ZOOM

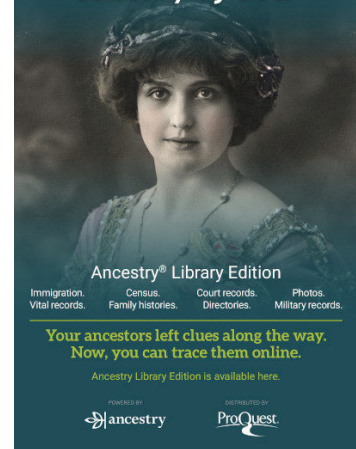
Our ever-popular book discussion group meets the fourth Monday of every month at 7:30 pm. The discussion group rotates between fiction and non-fiction titles. Members of the group take turns serving as facilitators for the book discussion.

Join us on these dates: December 28: The World According to Fannie Davis by Bridgett Davis (led by Carol Fossee), January 24, February 22, March 22 and April 26 (books too)..

Please call the library for book titles, the zoom address and more information about this lively book discussion group.



Explore the Amazing History of You



LIBRARY CARD REMINDER

Your library card is needed to place holds and circulate library materials. In addition, we greatly appreciate if you would provide your email address – for quicker notification of items on hold, as they become available. Should you have a late item, you will also be notified of the item.



Library Card Sign-Up

Most likely, you have heard the catch phrase: "What's the smartest card in your wallet?" Here at the library we think the answer is "my library card!" It is like a credit card – but you do not have to find home storage for all the materials and resources you can access through your library. The smartest card gives you access to a variety of public library resources, including statewide databases. Your library card may truly be the most valued and used card in your wallet.

Apply for a temporary card that will be valid until we open back up. Trouble with your card? Renew your library card or check on your pin by emailing us.

ADULT PROGRAMMING

Due to the continued issues surrounding the Covid-19 virus, these programs will be held via Zoom. In order to attend, all participants need to register for the program ahead of the date listed to receive the link to attend. These programs are funded by the Friends of the Huntington Woods Library. Please support them during this time of pandemic.

TINDERBOX

Wednesday, January 20, 7:00 pm

Our winter programs begin with Robert W. Fieseler, the 2019 Edgar Award winner for Best Fact Crime. Mr. Fieseler discusses his book **Tinderbox: The Untold Story of the Up Stairs Lounge Fire and the Rise of Gay Liberation**. The book tells the story of the 1973 arson fire at the Up Stairs Lounge in New Orleans that resulted in the largest mass murder of queer people in American history prior to the 2016 Pulse nightclub shooting.

THE SNOW KILLINGS: INSIDE THE OC CHILD KILLER INVESTIGATION

**Wednesday,
February 17, 7:00 pm**

Marney Keenan discusses her book **"The Snow Killings: Inside the Oakland County Child Killer Investigation"**. Marney comes highly recommended on this topic of local history.



IRISH CROSSINGS

Wednesday, March 17, 7:00 pm

On St Patrick's Day, author Terence O'Leary discusses his six-year journey to write three Irish Crossings historical novels. The stories are set during the time of the tragic Irish Potato Famine. Mr. O'Leary has woven his historical research into a 45-minute presentation on The Great Hunger.



"Irish Crossings" is a voyage of love, partings and new beginnings. Caitlin and Paddy embark on a journey across a beautiful country overwhelmed with heart-breaking sadness during the time of the Great Hunger. A harrowing winter crossing takes them through the treacherous North Atlantic Ocean. But the slums of New York are not the end of the rainbow they were promised. Through their voyage together, they learn the true meaning of the Irish saying, 'It is in the shelter of each other that people live.'

Adult programs continued on next page.

ANTI-RACISM FILM SERIES WITH DR. TARA HAYES

As part of the City of Huntington Woods anti-racism plan, we invite you to join us for a film discussion series with Dr. Tara Hayes, the Book & Film Club Professor.

Anti-racism education allows us to stand as effective allies. Intended as an opportunity for learning and deepening our understanding, we aim to create a respectful dialogue focused on helping participants become effective allies.

To participate, screen the film in advance of the discussion and then join us at 6:30 pm via Zoom. Please register for each program and a meeting link will be emailed prior to the meeting. Each has been paired with a chapter from Dr. Kendi's best-selling **How to Be an AntiRacist**. Participants are encouraged to read it in its entirety.

January 27	Daughters of the Dust, 1991	Chapter 5 "Ethnicity"
February 24	Mudbound, 2017	Chapter 12 "Class"
March 24	Clemency, 2019	Chapter 16 "Failure"
April will be the kick off to an arc on films about film.		
April 28	8 1/2, 1963	

Please register via the Library's website, click on events, click on calendar, click on the appropriate month, then click on the program and register.
www.huntingtonwoodslib.org

Library

The mission of the Huntington Woods Public Library is to serve our member communities' life-long learning needs by providing access to informational, cultural, educational and leisure resources.

248.543.9720

26415 Scotia Road

HuntingtonWoodsLib.org

**BUILDING CLOSED
TO THE PUBLIC
UNTIL FURTHER
NOTICE.**

*Please see Covid-19
Response at left.*

LIBRARY STAFF

Director Anne Hage

Reference Librarians- Karen Tower,
Joanne Johnson, Casee Hill
Gallery Coordinator - Karen Dubrin-
sky

Technical Services - Jesse Mitchell
Youth Services - Tonja Brice
Head of Circulation - Sally Kohlen-
berg

Head of IT - Suzy Kinnen
Clerks - Donna Bednarczyk, Karen
Dubrinsky, Kate Finn
Pages - Quinn Collins, Hunter Jordan,
Grace Winczer

LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD

Mia Ceaser, Judy Goldsmith, Robert
Holley, Manjula Kaza-Egan, Steven
Pollack, Stacey Stutcher and Mikey
Keating-Smith

*Library Board meets the 3rd
Monday of each month (virtually)
at 7:00 pm. The public is welcome.
Contact Library Director, Anne Hage
at ahage@huntingtonwoodslib.org
to receive the link.*

**"We have found that a
library is not an end in
itself, but a means to
many ends."**

Charles E. Rush, 1939

EXPLORING BACKYARD WILDLIFE ANDREW NOWICKI

Wednesday, April 21, 7:00 pm

Andrew takes us on a tour of the backyard to meet the interesting flora and fauna that are part of our suburban/urban environment. Learn more about the creatures we live alongside every day and the reason some backyards have more critters than others.

Andrew Nowicki is a naturalist and environmental educator, with a degree in Zoology from Michigan State. He conducts programs all over Michigan, where he teaches audiences about the connections between wildlife, people and society and how to experience more during their time outdoors.

ZOOM COOKING WITH JANE ALKON

Join Huntington Woods native Jane Alkon – our Adult Art Workshop Instructor – as she shares fabulous recipes in these new and exciting hands-on workshops. Monthly cooking classes feature recipes from Jane's recently published cookbook "The Favorites!" You will be provided with the recipe (hermetically-sealed in an envelope!), necessary supplies to have on-hand, a list of ingredients to purchase in advance of the class and a special gadget that will make your preparations even easier. We will all meet virtually on Zoom from the comfort and convenience of our own kitchens. Jane will take you step-by-step through the recipe as we prepare something easy and delicious together.



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Wednesdays, 7:00 - 8:30 pm

- **January 13:** Janey's Avgolemono (Greek Lemon Rice Soup)
- **February 10:** Totally Scrumptious Gingersnap Cookies with Orange Glaze
- **March 10:** Absolutely Fabulous Apple Crisp
- **April 14:** Mom's Cheese Spaghetti Sauce

Two savory recipes and two sweet recipes will give you some new scrumptious options to enjoy and share with family and friends. What better way to start the New Year! Please note – recipes are NOT vegetarian or vegan, gluten free or dairy free.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

All programs generously sponsored by the Friends of the Huntington Woods Library.

Pre-registration required, as spaces are limited.

ZOOM INFORMATION WILL BE SENT PRIOR TO PROGRAM.

MEET MISS TONJA

We hope that you have had the opportunity to meet our new Youth Services Coordinator, Tonja Brice. Miss Tonja has big shoes to fill, coming in after Ms Joyce who has taken a full time job with Mt Clemens library. Tonja was the former Library Assistant in the youth department for the Brandon Township Library and also is a Library Assistant at Baker College. Welcome to the Woods!



CHILDREN'S SPECIAL EVENTS

Get instructions after registering concerning Covid-19 protocols



MLK DAY TRIBUTE

Monday, January 18, 4:00 - 5:00 pm

Best for grades 3 & up.

Celebrate the impact of Martin Luther King through trivia, games, and fact-finding. Learn historical facts and plan ways that we can continue his legacy in our own community!

FAMILY TRIVIA DAYS

Select Sundays, 1:00 - 2:00 pm

- **January 17**
- **February 21**
- **March 21**

Register your family for a friendly trivia contest. Topics may include pop culture, animals, natural features, etc. Questions read at about a 3rd grade level, all ages are welcome on each team. Attend one or all dates.

VALENTINE CARD MAKING

Sun., February 14, 11:00 am - noon

All ages welcome.

Make two cards to celebrate your love for special people in your life. All materials provided and all ages welcome. Covid modifications will be emailed out as needed.

TOOTH TIME TUESDAY

Tuesday, February 9, 4:00 - 5:00 pm

All ages welcome.

Celebrate National Dental Health month with a special guest dentist story time, dental themes games and activities.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH TRIBUTE

Tuesday, February 23, 4:00 - 5:00 pm

All ages welcome.

Celebrate the impact of Black History through trivia, games and fact-finding. Learn historical facts and plan ways that we can continue to honor this month in our own community.

READ ACROSS AMERICA CHALLENGE

Share photos of you and your family reading in unique places in your house, your community or maybe you even have pictures from around the country or even our world. Photo submission 3/2 - 3/21, voting 3/22- 3/26 and winners announced on 3/28 at 1:00 pm.

WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH TRIBUTE

Tuesday, March 16, 4:00 - 5:00 pm

Recommended for all ages

Celebrate the impact of Women's History through trivia, games, and fact-finding. Learn historical facts and plan ways that we can continue to honor this month in our own community!

MARCH (BOOK) MADNESS BRACKETS

March 14 - April 5

All ages welcome.

Weekly book brackets with classics and new favorites competing for the title of Book Champion. Voting will be done weekly as the brackets progress through the competition. No reading required. Prizes provided for the highest scoring brackets weekly and at the final championship vote. Information provided upon registering.

LEGO CREATION COMPETITION

March 26 - April 4

All ages welcome.

Make your best Lego creations, take pictures, share your description and vote on community favorites during school Spring Break. We will have specific ages, categories, and voting dates for submissions. Held on the library Facebook page. Not competing? Please be sure to vote on your favorites!



LIBRARY GARDEN PET PARADE

Sunday, April 11, 2:00 - 3:00 pm

Celebrate National Pet Day with a parade through our garden. Costumes are welcome; all pets must be friendly, with appropriate leash or cage, and updated on all necessary shots. Weather permitting. Please see Covid-19 guidelines (below) for in-person events.

Please observe these guidelines during our in-person activities:

- Stay home if you feel sick.
- Wear a mask/face covering in accordance with state and local guidelines. HW employees and instructors will also wear a mask.
- Hand sanitizer will be available, but consider bringing your own with you.
- Keep a 6' distance between other students/families while participating.

WEEKLY CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Runs January 4 - April 29

Zoom address sent upon registration

ZOOM STORY TIMES

- **First-time Storytime: Mondays & Wednesdays, 10:30 am**
Books, rhymes, crafts and socialization with infant and toddler friends, and their caregivers.

- **Preschool Storytime: Mondays & Wednesdays, 11:15 am**
Books, rhymes, crafts and socialization with preschool friends.

- **PJ Storytime: Thursdays, 6:30 pm**
Wear your comfy pjs and join us for bedtime books, poems, and rhymes.

Please note: in honor of the BIG TRUCK PARADE on February 16, there is a truck theme for StoryTime during the week of February 15!

READ WOKE

Thursdays, 4:00 - 4:45 pm

Best for grades 3 & up.

Read and discuss novels with themes of social justice together. No outside reading required. Register to receive Zoom address.

EARTH DAY RECYCLED CRAFTS

Thursday, April 22, 4:00 - 5:00 pm

All ages welcome.

Materials provided to make unique creations that will save materials from becoming trash. Promote Read, Return & Repeat through the library! Covid modifications will be emailed out as needed. Please see Covid-19 guidelines for in person events.

OPEN STUDY HALL FOR 6- 12TH GRADE

Tues., January 12, 3:00 - 9:00 pm

Wed., January 13, 3:00 - 9:00 pm

Thurs., January 14, 3:00 - 9:00 pm

Should libraries be open in time for finals, we hope to provide a quiet place to study for high school and middle school exams. Bring your own device to ensure optimum study time.



LIVE HOMEWORK HELP POWERED BY TUTOR.COM



The Huntington Woods Library now offers FREE online tutoring for help with homework and more.

Students from kindergarten through college can connect with a live tutor daily from 3:00 - 11:00 pm via Tutor.com. The Skills Center Resource Library that connects you to thousands of homework, test prep, and career resources is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Students can get help with math, social studies, science and English. Students can get live help and use all resources with a guest session or they may save documents, replay tutoring sessions and keep a list of favorite tutors by creating a Tutor.com account. Log in through the library webpage, www.huntingtonwoodslib.org under virtual services.

Public Works

RECYCLING AND LANDFILL. CHIPPING: TUESDAYS TRASH COLLECTION DATES TO REMEMBER

- Tuesday, December 15: Last day for yard waste pick up until April 6, 2021
- Christmas: No delay in pickup following Christmas
- New Year's Day: No delay in pickup following New Year's Day

Curbside collection is on Tuesdays (unless noted) between 7:00 am and 6:00 pm. If you experience problems with collection, please contact the DPW at 248.547.1888 or hwdpw@hwm.org, as soon as possible.

Containers or items for recycling or landfill (trash) may be put at the curb no earlier than 4:00 pm Monday and no later than 7 am on Tuesday. Put carts and bags on the city right of way, not in the road! We can't collect leaves or plow snow around trash carts, and cannot return to a street to re-do areas that are missed. Empty containers must be removed by midnight on Tuesday. They should be stored behind the back wall of your home or out of sight whenever possible.

MAXIMUM CONTAINER SIZES AND WEIGHTS

- Landfill (trash): 35 gal cans/50 lbs or 2 mil plastic bags/40 lbs
- Recycling: City-supplied wheeled cart/60 lbs. Call DPW if you need a second cart or you can purchase one larger cart

LANDFILL/TRASH

- Trash must be put into either a 2-mil-thick plastic bag or in closed bags inside of a 35 gal (max.) covered container. Be sure to have trash set out at the curb by 7:00 am on Tuesday or it could be missed. Bulk items, like appliances, can be set out next to other trash.
- Wheeled 35-gallon trash carts are available, at cost, at the DPW for \$50, while supplies last.

CURBSIDE RECYCLING

With our single stream recycling carts, curbside recycling is fairly simple: everything goes into the cart with no need to separate them.

Here's what can be put in your cart:

- **Cardboard** should be flattened and folded to fit inside bin whenever possible.
- **Paperboard** (cereal boxes, paper towel rolls, etc.)
- **Paper**, including envelopes with windows, a staple or two. Shredded paper should go in a thick, clear plastic bag (available at DPW) and placed in or next to the recycling cart.
- **Plastic containers** (including "clamshell" and thermoform packaging). If it once held something, it's a container. Plastic caps can stay on their containers!
- **Metal cans** including aerosol cans. Check the Waste Wizard for other metals that can be put in cart.
- **Glass containers** – jar, bottles, vases, but no window glass or mirrors. Any color glass is ok.

What can't go in the cart can be dropped off at SOCRRRA.



CHIPPING: WEDNESDAYS ALL YEAR

Chipping is for small amounts of branches, 2" - 5" in diameter and 4 - 8' long. Smaller branches and root balls should be put in yard waste containers for Tuesday pickup in yard waste season.

Stack branches neatly with cut ends toward curb. Have branches out for chipping by 7:00 am on Wednesday. In case of inclement weather on chipping day, or following a storm, the branches will be picked up on the following days. Landscapers and contractors must remove branches and brush that they cut.

DPW

12795 W. Eleven Mile Rd

Phone: 248.547.1888

hwdpw@hwm.org

FB page: Huntington Woods DPW

Twitter: @HW_DPW

OFFICES CLOSED

At the time of printing, ALL city buildings are closed to the public due to the pandemic. Staff are available by phone/

email. When the city offices are open to the public, the following holidays will be observed and DPW will be closed:

December 24 - 25, 31 and

January 1, 18, February 15 and April 2.

DPW YARD HOURS

Monday – Friday, 7:00 am – 3:00 pm
Office/yard closed weekends, holidays.

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Director – Rocco Fortura

Supervisor – Kevin Wayne

Office Manager – Tara Pieron

SOCRRRA DROP-OFF

At the time of this publication, SOCRRRA's drop-off site is available BY APPOINTMENT ONLY, which can be scheduled online at www.socrra.org.

SOCRRRA will continue to offer alternate sites for residents to access for household hazardous waste, electronic recycling, recycling of paper, cardboard, scrap metal, and paper shredding. These options have been well-utilized to date, and offer no lines or waiting for residents. Please visit SOCRRRA's website for information on hours of operation, location, and procedures for participation at the individual sites.

- e-Cycle Opportunities (JVS) in Southfield or ERG in Livonia will accept electronics

- ERG in Livonia will accept household hazardous waste.

- GFL Environmental in Royal Oak will accept paper, cardboard, scrap metal and paper shredding.

- Plastic bags can be returned to the Target, Kroger and Kohls stores located immediately north of the Drop-off Center, in the Meijer store immediately east of the Drop-off Center and at other Target, Kroger, Kohls and Meijer stores in the area. Please visit www.plasticfilm-recycling.org to find retail locations in your zip code.

SNOW!

PLEASE BE ADVISED: SNOW EMERGENCY

A snow emergency is in effect for any snowfall amounting to 4" or more. During a snow emergency, you may not park your vehicle in the street. Any vehicle left in the street may be ticketed or towed.



HOMEOWNER RESPONSIBILITIES

Even though the DPW makes every attempt to broom sidewalks, homeowners are still responsible for keeping them clear of snow and ice. Please do not park vehicles across or too near sidewalks, so that our broom can clear the walks.

When clearing your driveway, please make sure that you or your contractor keeps plowed snow on your property, not on your neighbors' or in the street.

SNOW PLOWING INFORMATION

For safety's sake, keep streets and sidewalks clear of vehicles, overhanging limbs, and debris (including trash and recycling carts!) During and after a snowfall, do not park your car in the street or across the sidewalk.

The DPW will always keep streets safe, but declining revenue sharing from the State highway fund means that plowing after snowfalls of less than 4" must be carefully considered. Your cooperation in keeping the roads and sidewalks clear allows us to be more efficient.

To reduce the amount of snow that gets plowed into your driveway, you could clear out a "pocket" on the right-of-way past your driveway. This means that more snow ends up on the right-of-way and less in your driveway.

WATER METERS

Please maintain a clear path to your outside meter reading device, year round. This little black device is linked to your water meter and is used by the city to read the meter from outside. DPW employees have to connect directly to the black box. If you can't get access to it easily, neither can we.

FIRE HYDRANTS

Public Safety and the DPW appreciate your help keeping hydrants clear of snow. This effort is important for the safety of the entire community.

FREEZING TEMPERATURES AND WATER PIPES

Cold weather can wreak havoc on plumbing and cause pipes to break. If temperatures fall below 15°F for an extended period of time, you may prevent pipes from freezing by leaving a cold water faucet dripping. If you will be away, you might want to turn your water off at the meter. Your water meter should be exposed to the heat in your home. Yes, dripping or trickling water will add to your water bill, but it is far less costly than a burst pipe.



TREE CARE

In an effort to avoid spreading diseases of oak and elm trees, the DPW restricts pruning of those species until they are dormant: this means **November through March**.



Residents should do the same for their privately-owned oaks and elms. This can limit the spread of oak wilt virus and Dutch Elm Disease. And if emergency cutting of those trees must be done during the growing season, the cuts should immediately be sprayed with a pruning seal – the insect that spreads oak wilt can sniff out a fresh cut within ten minutes! Find out more at <http://msue.anr.msu.edu/>

BIG TRUCK PARADE

Tuesday, February 16, 10:00 am

If you have truck fans in your household, you're going to love our **FIRST-EVER BIG TRUCK PARADE**.



DPW will be joining Public Safety vehicles (weather permitting) for a fun winter parade!

The parade begins and ends at the HW City Hall. Trucks will travel south down Scotia to Ludlow. Ludlow east to Meadowcrest and Meadowcrest north to Eleven Mile.

Bundle up and keep a good distance from others and please wear a mask for your safety and everyone around you. This should be fun!



SOCRRA's

"WASTE WIZARD" TOOL

SOCRRA's "Waste Wizard" is available as an app on your mobile device or as a widget on your computer from www.socrra.org. From the App Store, search for "socrra waste wizard".

Then type in your item and see if it can go in the cart or be taken to SOCRRA. This is the source for the most updated information in a rapidly-changing recycling environment.

PARKS & RECREATION

WINTER CLASS SESSION, 2021

The winter session begins Monday, January 4. Classes will not be held January 18, and February 15 - 19. Please see last page for registration information. Age requirements for classes are as of the first day of class.

Youth Classes/Activities

BABYSITTER SAFETY

Sunday, March 14

Ages 9+

Instructor: Live Safe Academy

Increase your competitive edge by being more valuable to families with pets and kids.

BABYSITTER, 5:00 - 8:00 pm

Learn to be safe and responsible, build confidence, and have a competitive edge over other babysitters with this one-day live virtual class. Live virtual training means you can learn from the comfort and convenience of your own home from anywhere



in the world, while being able to interact with the instructor and ask questions like a traditional in-person class. Topics include: First aid, when and how to call 911, CPR, choking, recognizing danger and preventing emergencies, and more. Students will also learn how to be safe and responsible when home alone, including what to do if somebody comes to the door, and the importance of not giving out personal information. For more information please visit: www.livesafeacademy.com/babysitting. Parents, class time is for the kids. If you have any questions, please contact Live Safe Academy before or after class at 586.771.8487 or info@LiveSafeAcademy.com. Instructors are not able to provide technical support. It is your responsibility to make sure your system is compatible with Zoom: <https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us>

#3230 Cost: \$40

PET SITTER - ADD ON, 8:00 - 9:00 pm

Kids, would you like to learn pet sit and be a certified pet sitter? Increase your competitive edge by being more valuable to families with pets and kids. Increase your market by being certified to watch pets or kids. Learn to care for the pets in your own family. Have fun

and help keep animals safe with your one-day live virtual class. This is an add on class for students who participate in the Babysitter Safety course on the same day (students of a previous Babysitter Safety class can contact Live Safe Academy, LLC directly to make arrangements to participate).

#3230a Cost: \$15

INTRO TO ACTING & IMPROV

Ages: 7 - 14 yrs

Wednesdays, 5:30 - 6:15 pm via Zoom

#3201 Jan. 13 - Feb. 3

#3205 Feb. 17 - March 10

Instructor: Acting Out Kids

Kids learn acting, improv and public speaking skills through a variety of acting and improv games, activities, monologues and skits.

Classes are perfect for both new and experienced actors and are great for building confidence, making new friends and having lots of fun! Two independent classes - take one or both! Zoom information provided via email prior to the class start date. Register no later than the Monday prior to class.
Cost: \$50

Huntington Woods Parks and Recreation

2021-2022 PRESCHOOL AND PRE-K PROGRAMS

The programs utilize Recreation Center facilities and playgrounds. This established, creative, hands-on curriculum is differentiated to meet each child's developmental level.

3's PRESCHOOL PROGRAM

Children who are 3 yrs old by September 1, 2021 are eligible to attend. The program runs Monday - Friday, 8:15 - 11:15 am with a lunch option until noon. Flexible scheduling allows you to choose the number of days per week your child attends, 3 days/week, min. Add days as needed.
Contact Vicki Rickard at pre3rec@hwmi.org for more information.

PRE-K PROGRAM

Children who are 4 yrs old by September 1, 2021 are eligible to attend. The program runs Monday-Friday.

AM PRE-K	8:15 am - 11:15 am
AM PRE-K & LUNCH	8:15 am - noon
FULL DAY	8:15 am - 3:00 pm

Flexible scheduling allows you to choose the number of days per week your child attends, three half days per week minimum. Choose between half and full days or a combination of both. Add days as needed.

There are limited spaces available as the Pre-K Program is an optional carry-over from the 3's Preschool.

Contact Terri Nielsen at tnielsen@hwmi.org for more info.

HWP&R Preschools follows the Burton School calendar, September - May.

There is a \$65 non-refundable registration fee.

Registration is limited and begins Feb. 25 for residents at the Open House. RO Section registration begins March 3.

*An Open House is planned for **FEBRUARY 25** by appointment only. Email Vicki or Terri if you are interested in attending. As COVID-19 keeps things changing, the Open House and/or program may need to be adjusted to accommodate state and local health guidelines.*

"GRANDCHILD" ADOPTING A "GRANDPARENT"

The Recreation Department is welcoming kids to register to "Adopt a Grandparent" this winter. Please contact Jennifer at HWCAres@Hwmi.org to surprise a senior with a card or artwork to brighten their day. Drop them a little something in the mail or on their front porch.



#3300 You may sign up for as many or as few seniors as you'd like. Jen will assign you a senior resident and their address.

SKYHAWKS SPORTS ACADEMY

Held at Burton Field.

MINI HAWKS SOCCER & BASEBALL (OUTDOORS)

Wed., 4:35 –

5:20 pm

Wednesdays,

March 24 –

April 21

Ages: 4 – 6 yrs

This multi-sport program was developed to give children a positive first step into athletics. Sports are taught in a safe, structured environment filled with encouragement and fun. Through exciting games and activities, participants explore balance, hand/eye coordination and skill development at their own pace.

#3250 Cost: \$65 (5 weeks)



SOCCER CLASS (OUTDOORS)

Wed., 5:30 – 6:30 pm

Wednesdays, March 24 – April 21

Ages: 7 – 10 yrs

Gain the technical skills and sport knowledge required for their next step into soccer. Areas of focus are dribbling, passing, shooting and ball control. Focus also on life skills such as teamwork and sportsmanship, making new friends and improving their soccer skills.

#3252 Cost: \$85 (5 weeks)

Please note that Covid-19 protocols will be in place for SkyHawks programs. Send your child to class with a labeled water bottle, a mask and a small hand sanitizer.

Dress for the weather.

Social distancing will be practiced. Classes held outdoors ONLY.



Be sure to check out the sign up information for TeeBall-to-Coach Pitch baseball on the next page! This league is especially for current kindergarten and 1st graders!

Keep your Recreation Department Household account information up-to-date by contacting Jan at JAlpert@Hwmi.org

Parks & Recreation

26325 SCOTIA ROAD

248.541.3030

HWREC@hwmi.org

Recreation.HWMI.org

BUILDING CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Staff are available by phone/email.

See the staff directory at HWMI.org

Mary Gustafson, Director

Colette Nutton, Manager of Mirth

Steve Wasinski, Parks Supervisor

DeWayne White & Elaine Eggleston, Parks

Tracy Shanley & Bridget Levine,

Program Coordinators

Jenny Morgan, Childcare Director

Jennifer Furlong, Senior Outreach

Jan Alpert, Records Clerk

Daniel Monaco, Maintenance

Kathy Seidl, Mark Hurley, Clerks

TELL US WHAT YOU'D LIKE OFFERED!

The May - August newsletter information is currently being developed. If there are new classes or events you would like to see offered during that time, please let the recreation department staff know! The staff has worked very hard to offer as much creative and interesting programs as possible, all following national, state and local Covid-19 protocols.

45 MINUTES OF RESERVED GYM TIME

East side on the hour (10:00 am - 2:00 pm)

West side on the 1/2 hour (9:30 am - 2:30 pm)

Saturdays, January - March

Opening date tbd, based on Covid-19 numbers and state/local guidelines



- Pre-registration required. Members of your own household only.
- Bring your own equipment (ball, water bottle).
- Each family member must swipe their key tag at the Front Desk when entering the gym.
- Families must stay on reserved side.
- Masks must be worn in accordance with the current state/local guidelines at the time of the program.
- No wet shoes or food in gym.

Depending on the interest/compliance, this may be expanded or cancelled. Registration opens the Sunday prior, no more than 1 time slot/day. Repeated no-shows may result in reservation privileges being revoked.

Full information online when registering at Recreation.HWMI.org.

HWP&R TEE BALL-to-COACH PITCH BASEBALL LEAGUE

REGISTRATION REQUIRED BY FRIDAY, MARCH 26, 5:00 PM

BOYS & GIRLS, CURRENT KINDERGARTEN & 1ST GRADE

Features Minor League team names and caps, festive opening day ceremony and caring and skilled umpires and volunteer coaches.

**GAMES MONDAY AND/OR THURSDAY EVENINGS (6:30 PM) AND
SATURDAY MORNINGS (END BY NOON)**

- Registration for baseball must be done at RECREATION.HWMI.ORG by 3/26.
- Practices begin in late April and the season runs early May - June.
- Practices are arranged by the coach. Days may vary throughout the season.
- Game days may be on days other than listed, due to scheduling conflicts. Grades listed are current grades. All baseball players are required to wear white baseball pants to all games.
- Please indicate your child's skill level when registering.
- Sign up deadline is FINAL. No refunds after 3/20.
- Players notified of team placement by their coach within 3 days of the draft.
#3100 Cost: \$90.



STAIR-STEP APPROACH TO BASEBALL - this is a recreational program that teaches youth the fundamentals, skills, and sportsmanship of the game. These basics include throwing, catching, hitting, and teamwork. Participants learn through drills, practices and games.

- A perfect neighborhood program to stair-step your way up the baseball league ladder.
- First games are teeball and then when ready, players are pitched to!
- Once completed, players may decide to advance next year to Coach Pitch. The Berkley Dads' Club is a great option. Information at right.

SAFETY PROTOCOLS - Safety protocols that are in place at this time are listed here. Please know this situation is ever-changing, and protocols could fluctuate throughout the season in accordance with state and local guidelines.

- Participants, parents and staff should stay home if not feeling well.
- Please bring your own hand sanitizer for your use.
- Small team sizes to allow for physical distancing for participants and staff.
- All equipment will be wiped down between games/practices.
- Personal protective equipment, water bottles, food and drink should not be shared with others.
- Additional safety protocols will be shared with parents and participants when the program begins.
- Please let us know if you have any questions. We will work hard to provide a fun, safe and healthy experience for all.

COACHES: Coaches draft* set for Wednesday, April 21, 7:00 pm at the Rec. Please plan to attend. You will receive a confirmation email the week prior.



BERKLEY AREA SPORTS LEAGUE DIRECTORY

Parent Associations do a wonderful job of offering youth sport leagues. Registration is done directly with the organizations. Please call the number listed or check the given website for more information.

DAD'S CLUB BASEBALL

Games are played May - July
Mike Kerby, berkleydadsclub1@gmail.com or 248.361-6130.

Registration runs into April. Berkleydadsclub.org for additional information.

MOM'S CLUB SOFTBALL

Spring Season runs April - July
Fall Ball August - October
Contact: Corrina Campbell 248.255.6263
or crazycampbellclan@gmail.com
Website: BerkleySoftball.com
Berkleysoftball@gmail.com

STEELERS FOOTBALL & CHEERLEADING

Season runs August - November
Andrew Hadfield, 248.506-2464 or
Berkley021@gmail.com
Cheer GM: Melissa Péna, 248-310-5212
or BerkleySteelersCheer@gmail.com.
www.berkleysteelers.net

HOOPS BASKETBALL

Season runs (usually)
November - March
Boys, Grades 7 - 12 and
Girls, Grades
4 - 8. Also K - 3rd!
Registration held online August - September. Check BerkleyHoops.org for information.



SOC'S YOUTH SOCCER

Spring, Fall and Winter seasons
Register now for South Oakland County Soccer (SOCS) spring recreational soccer programs. Prices go up March 1, with late registration continuing as long as space is available. Spring season begins in early April and runs until early June. Programs include recreational soccer for kids born by 12/31/16 and Mini-Kickers for kids born in 2017. Summer camp details will be available soon on the website! Please go to www.socscf.com/signup for information and to register. Contact socsboard@gmail.com with any questions.

Teens & Teen Council

TEEN COUNCIL VIA ZOOM

Come and join us at our twice monthly meetings and get involved. If you live in HW and are in 6th grade or older, you are eligible to become a member of Teen Council. Our upcoming meetings are:

January 7, 21

February 4, 18

March 4, 18

April 1 (*last meeting of the season and Executive Board Elections*)

Email Tracy (Weezy) Shanley your name to tshanley@hwmi.org and she will add you to the Teen Council email list. You will start to get meeting reminders and information about Teen Council.

PRE-LEAD MINI-WORKSHOP – ZOOM!

Thursday, January 14, 6:00 - 7:15 pm

Grades 6+ (HW residents only).

This Pre-Leadership, Education and Development Mini-Workshop is for those who have not taken the summer LEAD Program and are brand new to volunteering at the HWP&R. Please join us at this mini-workshop to learn how to be a leader and an effective volunteer for our P&R programs.

Leadership skills, taking initiative, staying on task and volunteer expectations are to be covered. In order to volunteer, it is mandatory for you to participate in this program. If you participate in this workshop, we still strongly encourage you to register for the full program in summer, 2021. This Pre-LEAD is just the basics, but the week-long camp delves even more into learning leadership and taking initiative skills. You will be emailed the Zoom link

prior to the program so you can join us online. Pre-register by 1/7.

#3710 Cost: \$5

BONFIRE & S'MORES

Thursday, February 11, 7:00 – 8:30 pm

Grades: 6 – 12

Join us on Burton Field for a bonfire, some music (and if dancing breaks-out, that's great) and s'mores. Get bundled up for the weather and get out of the house for some good Michigan winter weather fun! You must wear a mask and maintain 6 ft. social distancing. Limited spots, so register early. No registrations after 2/22.

#3720 Fee: \$3



HWTC ANTI-RACISM PROJECT

With the City of Huntington Woods new anti-racism plan in place, the HW Teen Council is putting together an Anti-Racism calendar for the months of January, February and March. The calendar will list different ways in which we can get involved in helping fight social injustice and become more of an ally against racism. A 16-year old teen named Tilly Krishna spearheaded this idea in her community and HWTC thought it would be a great project to take on themselves for Huntington Woods. Please look for this calendar around the holidays, so we can start the new year off with a new outlook about racism and different ways to learn more about it and how to make changes in our daily lives.

HWTC MASK FUNDRAISER

The HW Teen Council is selling adult-sized face masks!

Masks are \$10 each with proceeds going back to Teen Council for our community service programs.

ONLINE SALES ONLY. WE WILL NOT BE HANDLING MONEY.



This machine washable three-ply, 100% cotton jersey face mask has elastic stretch binding ear loops to help hold it comfortably in place.

Order online at <https://recreation.hwmi.org/> (Merchandise>Accessories). Question about ordering?

Email hwrec@hwmi.org or call 248.541.3030. Masks are final sale. #3700

Drive-thru pickup at Rec Center parking lot, Saturday, December 12, 11:00 am - 12:30 pm. They make great holiday gifts! Quantities are limited!



HWTC

Parks & Recreation

26325 Scotia Road

248.541-3030

TSHANLEY@HWMI.ORG

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Rayna Kushner

Middle School Liaison

Maddy Rocchi

Newsletter & Recruitment

Jamie Marx

HWTC MISSION STATEMENT

This teen-led council provides a safe place to grow, gain leadership experience and get involved in the community. By taking initiative, teens become active in volunteerism, community service projects and recreation programs. Through support, inclusivity and teamwork, teens are empowered to become strong leaders.

FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Instagram: hwteencouncil

Facebook: @HWTC1 or

Huntington Woods Teen Council

HW MEN'S CLUB SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Due by March 29, 2021

The Huntington Woods Men's Club Scholarship Fund is designed to provide scholarship grants to students who are residents of Huntington Woods and are seniors graduating from high school, are attending college or university for undergraduate or graduate programs or are enrolled in a registered trade school.

Applicants are required to submit a completed application and a personal essay

For full details and an application, please see HMMC.ORG.

HWP&R ADULT CLASSES/ACTIVITIES

8° PLATO BEER CO GUIDED BEER TASTING VIA ZOOM

Friday, January 29, 7:00 pm

8° Plato Beer Co's very

own Beer Sherpa

Zachary Green will

be leading, talking

and tasting through a

unique, but approach-

able variety of 6 beers (included) from

around the world (with a few local Michi-

gan beers tossed in.) Over the course

of one hour, we will be discussing beer

history, beer style characteristics, tasting

notes, beer yeast, serving suggestions,

and possible food pairings for personal

events in the future. Each beer will be at

least 12 oz so could be enough for two+,

pick out your favorite piece of clean clear

glassware, and pull up a cozy seat. A

short Q&A session takes place at the end



of the class, so make sure you have a notepad ready too for all your questions. Meeting notes and slides provided after the presentation for anyone who wants a copy! Registration required by January 15 (15 ppl min), instructions for beer pick up at the Rec and Zoom info emailed.

#3606 Cost: \$45

SHOULD I CLICK ON THAT?

Computer Safety & Security (VIRTUAL)

#3206 Thurs & Fri., January 14/15,

1:00 - 2:15 pm

#3212 Tues. & Wed., March 30/31,

9:00 - 10:15 am

A 2-hour session

for adults who are

frustrated with

strange things that

pop-up on their

computers. Your

friendly instructor

Mike Wilson will

inform you about

what you should and should NOT click

on. Computers were made to enjoy and

not have the user stuck with unknown

and frustrating things that occur. Here is

what Mike will define and demonstrate:

Online Safety; Scams to Know About;

Frustrating and Suspicious Popups;

Turning on Pop-up Blockers; Friendly

Windows 10 Notifications; Advertisements;

E-mail Ads and Links, Knowing

What to Click On; Malware Protection;

Do Your Research; Downloading Files,

Cookies and Your Browser, Updates, Get

Control of Your Device, and The Real

from the Counterfeit! (Not for Apple/

Mac users, or tablets.) Once registered,

students will receive an e-mail prior to

the class - click the text in the e-mail and

"enter the classroom".

Cost: \$35

"HOW DO I TAKE A LIVE CLASS WITH ZOOM?" (VIRTUAL)

Tues., January 26, 11:00 am - noon

Most adult instructors use Zoom for live/

virtual classes such as cooking, painting,

exercising, computers, music, etc. Author

and computer instructor Mike Wilson

offers this free and easy session to help

you understand the process of "getting

to your classroom" and using Zoom.

Once registered, students will receive an

e-mail prior to the class - click the text in

the e-mail and "enter the classroom".

#3207 Cost: **FREE**

UNDERSTANDING BROWSERS AND GETTING THE MOST OUT OF GOOGLE AND SEARCHING THE WEB (VIRTUAL)

Thursdays, March 4, 11, 18, 25,

10:00 - 11:00 am

Learn the ins and outs of browsers, such

as Microsoft Edge and Google Chrome.

Set your home page and create favorite

websites to easily return to. You will see

how to use browser tabs, enlarge web

pages, as well as use 'Read Page 8 of 10

Aloud'. ("Read Aloud" is a feature that

will read your text to you.) Do you use

Google's search box to type a website

into and think that's about all there is

to it? You will understand how to use

and get the best out of search engines

such as Google for looking up informa-

tion and doing research. Find out how

to search for practically anything online!

Learn how to limit your searching for

more accuracy. Find out about features

from your browser and searching that

will make your life easier. All these things

will be taught in this "adult- and user-

friendly" class! Once registered, students

will receive an e-mail prior to the class -

click the text in the e-mail and "enter the

classroom".

#3209 Cost: \$55

CRIME PREVENTION AND RESPONSE

Sunday, March 21, 7:00 - 9:00 pm

Instructor: Live Safe Academy

Learn from the comfort and convenience

of your own home information that can

protect you, your loved ones, and your

property. Our virtual classes are open to

students anywhere, not just in the De-

troit Michigan area. Live interaction with

instructor just like an in-person class.

This presentation breaks down crime

in an easy to understand format, then

empowers participants with realistic,

proven strategies to reduce risk and re-

spond effectively. Participants learn how

to protect their safety and the safety

of their friends, family and co-workers.

Topics include personal safety and safety

in your home and vehicle.

Our staff includes law enforcement of-

ficers, military personnel with combat

experience, field staff for one of the

most active Medical Examiner offices in

the country, and professional protection

WALK THE GYM

Monday - Friday, 9:00 am - noon

January - March

Opening date tbd, based on

Covid-19 numbers and

state/local guidelines

Pre-registration required.

- Bring your own water bottle

- Individuals only.

- Masks must be worn in accor-

- dance with the current state/lo-

- cal guidelines at the time of the

- program.

- No wet shoes/food in gym.

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HWREC@HWMI.ORG or call

248.541-3030.



services in some of our nation's most dangerous cities. Many of our instructors have extensive experience teaching in colleges and police academies. When it comes to crime and personal safety, we have the professional experience that saves lives.

#3211 Cost: \$25

SECOND-HALF HEALTH COACHING (ZOOM)

Wednesdays, January 13 – February 3, 7:00 pm, (4 weeks)

Week 1: Introduction and discuss Class Itinerary

Week 2: Remove Waste from your Waist

Week 3: How Your Body Makes Its Own Medicine

Week 4: Make Health your "Life-time Hobby"

Instructor:

Dan McCarty

New Year, New

You! It is never too

late to kick start

your health jour-

ney! Join Certified

Health Coach Dan

McCarty on Zoom

to discover how to initiate fun,

GRADUAL lifestyle changes to start

living a healthier and happier life

during your prime-time years (aka

the second half of your life). His

approach is not about becoming a

Vegan or Vegetarian. Second Half

Health Coaching teaches a sci-

ence-based, common-sense, and

humorous approach to help you

make health your lifetime hobby!

Pre-registration required by Tues-

day, January 12. Zoom instructions

emailed out the Tuesday before

each class.

#3203 Cost: FREE

TAI CHI – ZOOM STYLE

Thurs., January 7 – February 11, 11:00 am - noon (6 weeks)

Instructor: Mary Ann Kashef, certified instructor

Enjoy an hour of peace and tranquility

while learning the beautiful art of Tai

Chi/Qi Gong. One of the most effec-

tive ways to improve health, muscle

tone, flexibility, focus, memory, bal-

ance and relaxation. Scientific studies

have proven Tai Chi helps reduce stiff-

ness and pain in people with arthritis.

#3204 Cost: \$75



ZUMBA! ZOOMBA!

Tuesdays, January 5 – 26,

6:00 – 7:00 pm (4 weeks)

Instructor: Emily Price

Come heat things up this winter and join

"Zumba Dance Party with Emily!" As a

practicing Registered Dietitian along with

her dance background, Zumba is Emily's

way of combining her interests of health

and fitness. If you've been looking for

an exciting way to workout this winter

through Zoom, this class is for you!

#3202 Cost: \$40

Visit classes.beaumont.org

to find free virtual classes on

diabetes, chronic pain and more.

Classes begin in January 2021.



Luv All Tennis

2021 SPRING TENNIS LESSONS

Let's play, in comfort, with your friends and on a convenient schedule.

Create A Class - QuickStart Tennis for Adults and Children!

Contact Laura to sign up!

info@lualttennis.com.

More information can be found online at www.lualttennis.com

MICHIGAN HEALTH & GET SET UP

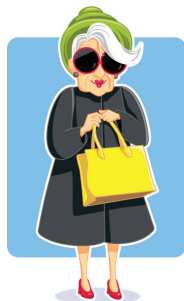
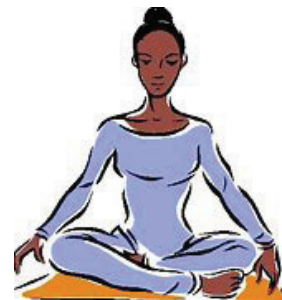
Michiganders can now enjoy over 150 small group classes for FREE! This is supported by the Michigan Health Endowment Fund, and in partnership with GetSetUp.

These classes are designed to keep your mind active, allow you to engage with others, increase your ability to live independently and learn new things. And most importantly, have fun!

Use coupon code MICHIGANHEALTH to waive any fees associated with small group classes. Take "New Member Orientation" to get started!

All of the classes are taught live by other older adults who are retired educators and professionals. This means they are taught by people who understand them best - other older adults.

Please visit the landing page to book FREE classes: <https://www.getsetup.io/partner/michigan>.



AGING MASTERY PROGRAM – VIRTUAL EDITION

Tuesdays, January 5 - March 16, 1:00 - 2:30 pm

This 10-week program is designed to provide baby boomers and older adults with tools to improve their well-being and celebrate longevity. The program encourages individuals to set personal goals around many aspects of their lives including: exercise, nutrition, finances, medication management, advanced care planning, community engagement and healthy relationships.

Class is being held using GoToMeeting, an online meeting service. You can participate using your Smartphone, computer or tablet.

Advance registration required. Once you're registered, you will be sent a link via email that you can use to participate. First session is an orientation that will help everyone understand how to use GoToMeeting and get the most out of this virtual session.

Classes are free, but donations are appreciated. To learn more or register for a class: 833.262.2200 or email wellnessprograms@aaa1b.com.

Senior Outreach

Senior Outreach = HWCares

The City of Huntington Woods has suspended in-person programming and services for those 60 years+. However, administration and staff care deeply about our residents and are especially interested in assisting as much as possible. We are here to help!

To contact Jennifer Furlong, HWCares Senior Outreach Coordinator, email her at HWCares@hwmi.org or call the HWCares Hotline at 248.581-2712 to reach her directly. She would love to hear from you!

If you feel like you could use any additional assistance, especially during this pandemic, Jennifer has great resources to help guide you in the right direction - or just lend a listening ear. Don't go through this alone or under-prepared.

Please contact Jen at HWCares@hwmi.org or 248.581.2712.

60+ CROWD NEWSLETTER

The newsletter devoted to residents 60 years+ is on hold until our programs and services resume. Information is instead in this publication. If you would like a hard copy of this newsletter, please contact Jennifer at 248.581.2712.

ADOPT A GRANDPARENT

The Recreation Department is welcoming kids to "Adopt a Grandparent" this winter. Don't be surprised if you get a surprise card or artwork in the mail to brighten your day.

BIRTHDAY CALLS

Jennifer will reach out to our residents to wish them a happy birthday. If you have a birthday coming up or know someone who does, please call 248.581.2712.



OC COVID HELP HOTLINE

www.oakgov.com/covid
248.858.1000 or
hotline@oakgov.com.

Download the
MI Covid Alert
app on your smart
phone for the
latest info.



OC HEALTH DEPT'S NURSE ON CALL

is a valuable resource for questions about Covid-19, where to get tested and anything non-pandemic-related as well. Contact them at 800.848.5533 or email them at NOC@Oakgov.com.

TOP 10 SCAMS TARGETING SENIORS BY NCOA

Financial scams targeting seniors have become so prevalent that they're now considered "the crime of the 21st century." Why? Because seniors are thought to have a significant amount of money sitting in their accounts. Check out the link below for full information, including:

- Medicare/health insurance scams
- Counterfeit prescription drugs
- Funeral & cemetery scams
- Fraudulent anti-aging products
- Telemarketing/phone scams
- Internet fraud
- Investment schemes
- Homeowner/reverse mortgage scams
- Sweepstakes & lottery scams
- The grandparent scam

<https://www.ncoa.org/economic-security/money-management/scams-security/top-10-scams-targeting-seniors/>

If you feel like you have been the victim of a scam, don't be afraid or embarrassed to talk about it with someone you trust. You are not alone, and there are people who can help. Doing nothing could only make it worse. Keep handy the phone numbers and resources you can turn to, including the local police, your bank (if money has been taken from your accounts), and Adult Protective Services.

If you feel like you may have Covid-19 and would like to get tested, county drive-thru testing is available (as of press time). Call the Nurse on Call number to make an appointment. No prescription is needed, but you must have an appointment.

OLHSA

OLHSA is the largest private non-profit agency delivering human services to Oakland and Livingston Counties. Current programs during the pandemic:

- Water Residential Assistance Program, 313.386.9727
- Grandparents Raising Grandchildren, 248.479.6516
- Emergency Utility Assistance, 248.479.6516.
- Weatherization, 248.479.6516
- Burial benefits, hygiene kits, 1-time food box or rental/mortgage assistance needs due to COVID-19, 248.209.2600.



OAKLAND MEALS ON WHEELS

<http://oaklandmow.org/>

For more information or to sign up, please call 248.689.0001.

REASSURANCE CALLS AND AT-HOME ASSISTANCE

Jennifer has been in contact with many of our residents to check in on them. If you or someone you know would like to hear from her, please contact Jennifer to be added to her list. Jennifer can help you with grocery delivery, prescription delivery, Zoom assistance, how to utilize books, movies, music and games online and connect with friends and family through phone apps.



SHIPT GROCERY DELIVERY

Apply for a free Shipt membership online at <https://www.oakgov.com/covid/grants/Pages/grocery-delivery.aspx?fbclid=IwAR2ExffhBSw187HbMeckJ1XxTrmMkK1oC4rVqt2NIFt9PH8OALQnpLFldDg>. If you need assistance, call the Oakland County Helpline at 248.858.1000. Please note that you will need an email address to use the Shipt membership.

SMART CONNECTOR

To set up transportation, please contact the SMART Connector service at 1.866.962.5515, press 1 for Connector and then 1 again for Reservations.



HWCares HOTLINE TO JEN: 248.581.2712

AREA AGENCY ON AGING 1-B

Established in 1974, the Area Agency on Aging 1-B (AAA 1B) is a non-profit 501(c) 3 organization with a rich history of supporting older adults, people with disabilities and family caregivers in southeast Michigan. It is a go-to resource for the Recreation Department, as AAA-1B covers a wide array of services for us to piggy-back upon.

They are part of a national network of Area Agencies on Aging and a leader in aging services in a six-county region. AAA 1-B help people access the services and programs they need to remain living independently and with dignity in their own home or with family caregivers. They provide direct care programs for seniors, along with funding and support for many programs provided by our community partner organizations.

Programs and services AAA 1-B can help people access include:

- Information and Assistance Telephone Line to help people find local resources
- Direct Home Care Services and care coordination to help when seniors are having trouble caring for themselves
- Adult Day Services
- Medicare Medicaid Assistance to help beneficiaries troubleshoot problems and understand their options
- Chore Services to help seniors maintain their homes
- Home Injury control programs to help make seniors' homes safe
- Advocacy to help make sure seniors' voices are heard
- Transportation Assistance
- Services and support for grandparents raising grandchildren
- Health and Wellness classes to help older adults stay healthy

Contact AAA 1-B for questions and information on their programs and services. Call 1.800.852.7795.

Senior Adult Services

Parks & Recreation

26325 SCOTIA ROAD

248.541-3030

SERVICES STAFF

Jennifer Furlong,

*HWCares Senior Outreach
Coordinator*

HWCares HOTLINE TO JEN

248.581.2712

HWCares EMAIL TO JEN

HWCares@hwmi.org

THANK YOU!

A huge thank you is extended to the HW Senior Advisory Committee (HWSAC) and the Huntington Woods Men's Club (HWMC) for sponsoring our Senior Holiday Party that took place December 7, 2020.

El Asador Restaurant provided delicious meals at a reduced rate, paid for by the HWSAC and the HWMC provided us with entertainment via FB LIVE with Matthew Ball. We truly appreciate everyone's effort in providing a yummy meal and engaging entertainment!



60+ ZOOM SUNDAYS

With the advent of Covid-19, Drop-in-Sundays have been replaced with Zoom Sundays. An informal group of 60+ Huntington Woods residents is now meeting on Sunday mornings at 11:00 am via ZOOM to chat, discuss what's happening, share concerns and offer friendship and support. You are welcome to join the conversation or simply listen. No membership or registration is required.

If you are interested in participating in Zoom Sundays, please contact Sue Tanner at suet444@yahoo.com and she will provide you with the log in information. She can also answer questions or concerns regarding the ZOOM sessions.

HWPR SPECIAL EVENTS

REGISTRATION FOR SPECIAL EVENTS: Registration begins December 11. At this time, non-residents are not eligible to register for Special Events.

REFUNDS: A \$5 service fee is retained on all refunds due to event withdrawal. Cancellations/withdrawals will be given a household credit if cancelled within 72 hours of the event.

STAY SAFE, STAY HEALTHY – COVID-SPECIFIC INFO:

Please observe these guidelines during our in-person classes/activities/events:

- Stay home if you feel sick.
- All participants 2 yrs+ should wear a mask/face covering in accordance with state and local guidelines. HWPR employees will also wear a mask
- Hand sanitizer will be available but consider bringing your own with you.
- Keep a 6' distance between other students/families while participating.
- Please be reminded there no indoor bathroom facilities available. There is a porta-potty by the Library.
- Participants may want to bring their own water bottle, since there are no drinking fountains.
- Events are being done on a trial basis. If COVID protocols are not adhered to, this and future programs may be in jeopardy of being cancelled.

IMPORTANT! IF YOU CANNOT MAKE IT: Please be courteous and let us know if you cannot attend, as spaces are limited and your reservation may have prevented another from participating. We will accommodate as many as state and local recommendations will safely allow. Email hwrec@hwmi.org asap to cancel.

JANUARY

8 FAMILY PARKING LOT BINGO & PJ PARTY

Friday, January 8,
6:45 - 8:00 pm

Pre-register online by 12/5 at recreation.hwmi.org to receive full instructions.

Wear your PJ's, BYO snacks and the game will be broadcast through your car radio! Bring a way to mark the cards (pennies work great). Indoor bathrooms are not available for this event, there is a port-a-john. Held in the Recreation/Library parking lot. Pre-registration required by 12/30.

#3600 Cost: \$5 local establishment gift card per car (to be used for prizes).



fail your way to the top! Cakes will overflow, frosting will melt and everything might just fall apart... but the show must go on! Instructions and an ingredient list will be emailed out at the beginning of the weekly challenge. You will have one week to submit a picture of your final creation and a winner will be selected by 3 prestigious judges. Pre-registration required by the Wednesday prior to receive further instructions.

#3602 Jan. 11 – CAKE POPS

#3611 Feb. 8 – CUPCAKES

#3619 Mar. 8 – CAKE

Cost: FREE



11 "NAILED IT!" BAKING CHALLENGE: CAKE POPS

January 11 – 17

Netflix's hit series Nailed It! pits amateur bakers against each other to see who makes the least disastrous creation... and now it's your turn to



BELIEVE IN YOUR SELFIE

Steve W, our Parks Supervisor, has put selfie stations in several of the parks in the city. Can you find them and take a selfie to post on the Huntington Woods Parks and Recreation Facebook page and/or your own social media pages! Please use **#PureHuntingtonWoods**

24 ALL BUNDLED UP

WINTERFEST

Sunday, January 24, 1:00 – 2:30 pm

Held at Men's Club Field

'Tis the season to be freezin'! Has cabin fever set in? Well then bundle up the family and head on over to Men's Club Field for some winter fun. We will have a bonfire, ice skating (bring your own skates), hot chocolate and Oakland County Parks & Recreation will be on hand with some fun winter activities. Due to Covid restrictions please wear a mask and stay socially distanced within your family squad. Registration is mandatory for this event. No walk-ins, please. Limited spots so register early. THIS IS WEATHER DEPENDENT.

#3604 \$5/family.



28 FULL MOON DOG WALK

Thurs., January 28, 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Meet at the Recreation Center.

A family-friendly self-led walk, that will last approximately 1 hour. Join your friends (and stay at least a leash-length away). BYO poop bags.

Cost: FREE, no pre-registration.

Native American tribes named the first full moon of the year after the wolf as this was the time when packs would howl the loudest.

The HWPR Staff has risen to the challenge to offer residents a wide variety of activities during these difficult times.

The single most disappointing thing that has routinely happened is people registering and not cancelling and not showing up. Events have to have limited attendance to adhere to Covid-19 protocols and no-shows prevent others from attending.

PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE remember to cancel if you can no longer make it!

Email HWRec@hwmi.org.

PRACTICALLY PERFECT PET PHOTO CONTEST - COVID EDITION

Due January 31

Your pets have GOT to be LOVING all this time at home with you! Please email your favorite pet photo, with or without you in it (taken during pandemic shut down) to cnutton@hwmi.org. The deadline is **Friday, January 31** to be considered for the Practically Perfect Pet Photo Contest!

Entries to be posted on HWP&R Facebook page. Prizes donated by Pet Supply Plus in Royal Oak!

Send your high-res photo to cnutton@hwmi.org by January 31.



HWPR EYE SPY

Stop by the
Gillham
Recreation
Center to



check out our "Eye Spy" game posted on the front windows of the gym. Follow the directions posted and have some fun! Watch for new Eye Spy games throughout the season. Cost: FREE, no pre-registration.

ZOOM SEND OFF FOR MARY GUSTAFSON

Friday, February 5, 4:00 pm

For nearly 50 years, Mary has been a part of the HW Recreation Department. Be it as an employee or diligent volunteer, Mary has shaped the department (and building) to what it is today.

Please join us for a ZOOM SEND OFF to thank her for her service and congratulate her on her retirement.

Questions or care to donate to the group gift?

Email Tracy at tshanley@HWMI.org

#3610 Register at recreation.hwmi.org or call 248.541.3030 to get the Zoom link.



NEIGHBORS + NEIGHBORS = FUN!

DECEMBER 24 JINGLE

December 24, 6:00 pm

Step outside and ring some bells for 2 minutes. We will see how many neighbors will participate to help spread magic, hope and togetherness!

Place a sign in your window for walkers to find!
All ages are asked to participate:

JANUARY = PEACE SIGNS

Commemorating the great MLK



FEBRUARY = SUPERHEROS

Who is YOUR favorite SUPERHERO?

MARCH = SHAMROCKS

Shamrocks are lucky and 4-leaf clovers are even luckier!



APRIL = FLOWERS

Blooming flowers is a sure sign of Spring and nicer weather!

If you don't have a printer or construction paper (or other), call the HW Rec and we should be able to help you out!

29 8° PLATO BEER CO GUIDED BEER TASTING VIA ZOOM

Friday, January 29, 7:00 pm

8° Plato Beer Co's very own Beer Sherpa Zachary

Green will be leading, talking and tasting through a unique, but approachable variety of 6 beers (included) from around the world (with a few local Michigan beers tossed in.) Over the course of one hour, we will be discussing beer history, beer style characteristics, tasting notes, beer yeast, serving suggestions, and possible food pairings for personal events in the future. Each beer will be at least 12 oz (so could be enough for two+), pick out your favorite piece of clean clear glassware, and pull up a cozy seat. A short Q&A session will take place at the end of the class, so make sure you have a notepad ready too for all your



questions. Meeting notes and slides will be provided after the presentation for anyone who wants a copy! Registration required by January 15 (min. 15 ppl) instructions for beer pick up at the Rec and Zoom info emailed.

#3606 Cost: \$45

30 PRE-SCHOOL NATURE WALK AT RED OAKS

Saturday, January 30

#3607 10:00 am FREE

#3607a 11:00 am FREE

Join an Oakland Co Parks naturalist on a 35 minute guided nature walk with your preschooler and family. Meet at Red Oaks County Park (east of John R off 13 Mile Road). Please dress for the weather and arrive 10 minutes in advance. Bathroom available onsite. Due to gathering restrictions, there are limited spots open for each time slot. Preregistration is required. Transportation on your own.

FEBRUARY

2 PARKING LOT TRIVIA (60+)

Tuesday, February 2, 1:00 - 2:00 pm
Pre-register online by 1/27 at recreation.hwwi.org or call 248.541-3030 to receive full instructions. The trivia will be broadcast through your car radio. Held in the Recreation/Library parking lot.

#3608 Cost: Bring a \$5 gift card to a local establishment go in our prize bin. Pre-registration required by 1/27.

8 "NAILED IT!" BAKING CHALLENGE: CUPCAKES

February 8 - 14

Please see page 18 for full details. Registration by the Wednesday prior.

#3611 FREE!

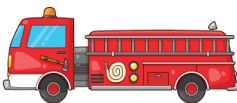


16 BIG TRUCK PARADE

Tuesday, February 16, 10:00 am

HW Chief Pazuchowski and Berkley Chief Koehn have invited some very special guests to join them in a tribute to our local SUPERHEROES.

We will be having an exciting parade, filled with police cars, fire trucks, an ambulance, DPW trucks and more!



Route: Begins at HW City Hall, south on Scotia Road, to Ludlow. East to Meadowcrest and north to Eleven Mile. The parade will then enter Berkley down Cass (north) to Catalpa and then south down Mortensen and then head back to their stations!

Spectators must maintain social distancing and are encouraged to wear Superhero clothes and a mask and make signs of support! Register by 1/29 for "truck" activities emailed to you!

#3612 Cost: Free. Pre-register (not required) to get supporting info and truck activities to play at home.

20 PRE-SCHOOL NATURE WALK AT RED OAKS

Saturday, February 20

#3613 10:00 am FREE

#3613a 11:00 am FREE

Join an Oakland Co Parks naturalist on a

35 minute guided nature walk with your preschooler and family. Meet at Red Oaks County Park (east of John R off 13 Mile Road). Please dress for the weather and arrive 10 minutes in advance. Portajohn available onsite. Due to gathering restrictions, there are limited spots open for each time slot. Pre-registration is required.

27 FULL MOON DOG WALK

Sat., February 27, 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Meet at the Recreation Center. A family-friendly self-led walk, that will last approximately 1 hour. Join your friends (and stay at least a leash-length away). BYO poop bags. Cost: FREE, no pre-registration.

According to the Farmers' Almanac, northeastern Native American tribes referred to the second full moon of winter as the Snow Moon because of February's heavy snow.

MARCH

5 KAHOOT PARKING LOT TRIVIA

Friday, March 5 - 6:30 pm

Recreation/Library Parking Lot

Put your knowledge to the test!

We will play 5 rounds of trivia on the big screen in the parking lot. Each car "team" will need access to a smart phone to log into the Kahoot website to participate. Trivia will range from Disney, general knowledge, HW facts, and more! Pre-registration required.



#3618 Cost: Bring a \$5 gift card/car to a local establishment to be rewarded to the winners of each round.

8 "NAILED IT!" BAKING CHALLENGE: CAKE

March 8 - 14

Please see page 18 for full details. Registration by the Wednesday prior.

#3619 FREE!

19 UP NORTH! DADDY/DAUGHTER DANCE

Friday, March 19, 7:00 - 8:30 pm

Ages: 5th grade & under with an adult. We're moving our dance outside this year, so let's pretend we are **Up North!** Dress for the weather and come and dance the night away!

We will have some great music and make some great memories. Please wear a mask and socially distance during the event. Due to Covid-19 protocols, **we have limited space for this program so don't delay, register by March 12.** Residents only.

#3620 Cost: \$15/person



20 PRE-SCHOOL NATURE WALK AT RED OAKS

Saturday, March 20

#3622 10:00 am FREE

#3622a 11:00 am FREE

Join an Oakland Co Parks naturalist on a 35 minute guided nature walk with your preschooler and family. Meet at Red Oaks County Park (east of John R off 13



DETROIT
INSTITUTE
OF ARTS

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS THURSDAYS AT THE MUSEUM

Thursdays, 1:00 pm

Thursdays at the Museum is now a LIVE online event every Thursday at 1:00 pm.

Get a behind-the-scenes look at the DIA's collection with trained docents Howard Rosenberg and Ray Henney. They cover a different topic every week and participants will be able to ask questions.

Not able to attend the LIVE event?

No worries - visit the DIA Facebook page and/or Youtube channel for posted recordings.

<https://www.dia.org/dia-home-seniors> If you are interested, but unsure as to how to, feel free to call Jennifer Furlong at 248.581.2712
Cost: FREE

Mile Road). Please dress for the weather and arrive 10 minutes in advance. Bathroom available onsite. Due to gathering restrictions, there are limited spots open for each time slot. Pre-registration is required.

26 HISTORIC HOME TOUR

Friday, March 26 - Monday, April 5

Register to get your self-guided HISTORIC HOME TOUR info sheet. Make a jaunt around the city, looking for designated houses that have some type of historic significance! Learn interesting facts, architecture, former/current owners of note and more, some truly interesting and some just silly. Take time to walk the neighborhood, or ride your bike (or drive) in search of the designated locations with the yard signs. Family-friendly. Pre-register and receive your guide on Friday, March 26. Yard signs will be up until Monday, April 6.

#3630 Cost: FREE!



28 FULL MOON DOG WALK

Sun., March 28, 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Meet at the Recreation Center. A family-friendly self-led walk, that will last approximately 1 hour. Join your friends (and stay at least a leash-length away). BYO poop bags. Cost: FREE, no pre-registration.

The worm moon is always the first full moon in March and the last full moon before the Spring Equinox.

It is so named because it coincides with the seasonal resurgence of earthworms.

APRIL

8 THURSDAY FOOD TRUCKS:

Detroit BBQ - chili and soup

Thursday, April 8, 5:30- 7:00 pm

Simply Spanish, Poe's Pupscicles and Treat Dreams will all be here with delicious goodies for everyone in the family!

Social distancing and safe practices a must! Held in the Recreation lot. The building is not available for restrooms. Cost: Pay food truck directly, no pre-registration.

OAKLAND CO PARKS FIRESIDE CHATS WITH CAROL EGBO (FOR 60+)



Held via Zoom. Oakland County Parks and Recreation Historian Carol Egbo discusses the history of various spots within the parks system. This has been a VERY POPULAR Zoom offering, you will not want to miss!

#3200 Tues., Jan 12, 10:30 am - Ten Sons & a Front Yard Burial: The Story of Bailey Homestead at Independence Oaks County Park

#3208 Tues., Feb 9, 10:30 am - The Search for the Ellis Farm Out-house: An Archaeological Tale

#3210 Tues., Mar 9, 10:30 am - A Fiddler, a Horse Farm & a Harvest of Ice: History along Dixie Hwy in Oakland County.

#3213 Tues., Apr 13, 10:30 am - A Polar Bear, a Hypnotist and a Ghost River: History along Woodward.

Especially geared for 60+ yrs, but open to all. Pre-register by the Friday prior to receive the Zoom link. Cost: free!



17 LET'S GO FLY A KITE!

Saturday, April 17, 1:00 pm

Ages: 5+ with parent/guardian assistance

Held at Burton Field Decorate and build your own kite and then watch it soar on Burton Field behind the Gillham Recreation Center.

Happiness at the end of every string.

Pre-register by April 5. Supplies provided.

#3638 Cost: \$5/kite kit



no later than 4/6. The player with the most marbles wins! Pre-register online no later than 5/1, 4:00 pm at recreation.hwmi.org to receive full instructions.

#3640 Cost: FREE

22 THURSDAY FOOD TRUCK: Simply Spanish

Thursday, April 22, 5:30- 7:00 pm

Simply Spanish, Poe's Pupscicles and Treat Dreams will all be here with delicious goodies for everyone in the family! Social distancing and safe practices a must! Held in the Recreation lot. The building is not available for restrooms. Cost: Pay food truck directly, no pre-registration.

26 HUNGRY HUNGRY HIPPO!

April 26 - May 2

Gobble the most marbles to win!

Look for laminated marbles and "collect" as many as you can find.

Visit various parks in the City to make sure you don't miss any marbles. Remember not to touch or remove them and don't share information! Families of all ages can play. Sixth graders and up can probably do this independently.

Once you feel like you have found them all, email cnutton@hwmi.org



27 FULL MOON DOG WALK

Tues., April 27, 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Meet at the Recreation Center. A family-friendly self-led walk, that will last approximately 1 hour. Join your friends (and stay at least a leash-length away). BYO poop bags. Cost: FREE, no pre-registration.

According to the Old Farmer's Almanac, the Pink Moon is named after one of spring's first flowers, wild ground phlox. Also known as moss pink, the brightly-colored flower often blooms around the same time as April's full moon.

There are still more Special Events on the next page!!

29 THE (TERRARIUM) BAR IS OPEN!

Thurs., April 29 at Tootie & Tallulah's
#3642 3:15 - 4:15 pm
#3642a 6:15 - 7:15 pm

Meet at Tootie & Tallulah's (2600 12 Mile, west of Coolidge) in Berkley
Led by Kelly Green, Southern Green.
Build a beautiful air plant garden in glass. Enjoy many options to make it your own. Water and paper goods provided. BYOB and snacks if desired.
Registration required by April 22.
Cost: \$20 for standard terrarium, plants and embellishments.



THURSDAY FOOD TRUCKS 5:00 pm until gone (7:00 pm ish)

Poe's PupScicles and Treat Dreams are also slated to be here with yummy treats!

APRIL

8 Detroit BBQ - chili/soups
22 Simply Spanish

MAY

6 TruckShuka
20 Detroit BBQ

MICHIGAN RECREATION & PARK ASSOCIATION
2021 INNOVATIVE PROGRAMMING AWARD

HUNTINGTON WOODS VIRTUAL PARADE

December 1, mParks and the mParks Professional Recognition Committee contacted the Recreation Department to let us know that the **July 4th Virtual Parade** has been selected as a 2021 Innovative Programming Award Winner. The award will be presented at the 2021 Virtual mParks Conference on February 3, 2021.



Congrats are extended to Judy Olds, Colette Nutton and Mayor Bob Paul for all their efforts on this project.

Looking Ahead to Summer



The Huntington Woods Parks and Recreation staff is eagerly looking forward to the warm weather months when we are planning to run Fruit Camp, Hurricane Swim Team and open the pool.

As of the time of publication, however, we are uncertain as to how these programs will look, based on COVID protocols. Our staff is hard at work developing options for great summer programming, with the goal of returning to "normal" as best as possible, while keeping within required safety guidelines and regulations.

We will be making programming announcements in the future.

Watch your emails for

- Fruit Camp information on **February 18**
- Hurricane registration update on **March 1**

Pool season pass info will be included in the Spring newsletter (May - August.)

Be sure to check your email to stay on top of the latest developments. Visit our recreation registration website: recreation.hwmi.org. Go to the HW Parks and Rec Facebook page.

Be sure your most current contact information is in our recreation registration system:

- **Are you new to Huntington Woods?**
- **Do you have a current kindergartener?**
- **Has your address changed?**
- **Do you have a new email address or phone number?**
- **Are there new members in your household?**
- **Has it been 3 years or more since you registered for something at the Rec Center?**

If you answered YES to any of these questions, please email Jan at jalpert@hwmi.org so we can update your information in our system and keep you informed.

In the meantime, please feel free to contact us if you have any questions. Thank you for your continued support.

HUNTINGTON WOODS COMMUNITY GARDEN

The Community Garden in the park at Eleven Mile and Huntington is approaching the sixth year in operation. The garden was organized by residents with an interest in gardening together. Gardeners have grown tomatoes, beets, potatoes, kale, squash and a variety of other crops, all without pesticides. Gardeners tend their own raised plots and work as a community offering each other tips on what is growing well (or not) and work together to take care of the garden area.



If you are interested in applying for a plot or learning more about the garden, contact Aaron Retish (aretish@gmail.com). Gardening starts with the first sign of spring!

RECREATION REGISTRATION - COVID STYLE

REGISTRATION

Registration varies depending on activity/event - please see description for best information.

Resident registration begins

Friday, December 11, 8:30 am.

Only classes (listed on pages 10 - 11, 14 - 15) are open to non-residents. Non-resident registration begins Monday, December 21.

REGISTER

ONLINE - <https://recreation.hwmi.org>

EMAIL - HWRec@hwmi.org

PHONE - 248.541-3030

MAIL - 26325 Scotia Rd, HW 48070

If you have any questions about registration, please contact hwrec@hwmi.org or 248.541.3030.

CANCELLATION/REFUND POLICIES

Please email jalpert@hwmi.org or call 248.541.3030 to cancel a registration. Requests for class refunds must be made prior to the second class. A pro-rated refund will be given if one class session has already been held. In addition, a \$10 processing fee is withheld for each cancellation. A \$5 fee is retained on all event/activity cancellations.

Remember to let us know if you cannot make it to a special event. Due to Covid-19 protocols, you are likely taking a space from someone else!

FEES

Registration costs listed in the Hometown Herald are for Huntington Woods residents. Non-residents are charged an additional \$5/class for some classes when available to non-residents.

EDITORIAL POLICY

Although the Parks and Recreation Department goes to great lengths to ensure that all information contained in this brochure is accurate at the time of publication, errors occasionally occur and last minute changes in programs, classes and activities - such as dates, times and locations - may be necessary due to circumstances beyond our control. We apologize ahead of time for any inconvenience and thank you for your patience and understanding.

PHOTO/VIDEO AUTHORIZATION

In signing up for a program with the Huntington Woods Parks & Recreation Department, you are giving your consent to use photos/video coverage of yourself and/or your minor child in future newsletters, calendars, flyers, website and/or other social media. Please let us know if you would prefer not to have your photo published.

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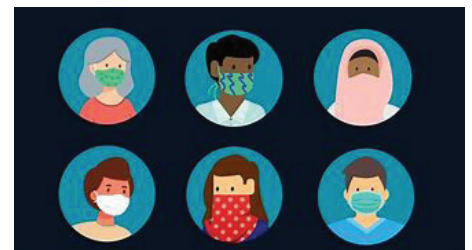
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NEWSLETTER

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Colette Nutton



Please observe these guidelines during our in-person classes/activities:

- Stay home if you feel sick.
- Wear a mask/face covering in accordance with state and local guidelines. HW employees and instructors will also wear a mask.
- Hand sanitizer will be available, but consider bringing your own with you.
- Keep a 6' distance between other students/families while participating.

At the time of publication, ALL city buildings are closed to the public due to the pandemic.

Staff are available by phone and/or email.

A staff directory is available at HWMI.ORG.



We have every hope that we will get through this just as we get through every event, with grace, understanding and togetherness.

Wishing everyone a very happy and healthy holiday season and a greatly improved new year for all.