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SUMMER ROAD CONSTRUCTION IN ADA VILLAGE

2016 will be a year of significant construction activity in the Village, for both new private development and public road improvements.

Construction is currently underway on the extension of Headley Street from Ada Drive to Thornapple River Drive. Until after Memorial Day weekend, construction activity will have negligible impact on traffic, although motorists should watch out for slow truck movements.

Beginning on Tuesday after Memorial Day, construction on the connection between Headley Street and Thornapple River Drive will begin. Two-way traffic on Thornapple River Drive will be maintained, on temporary narrowed lanes that will be shifted slightly to the south from the current alignment. Traffic backups can be expected during this phase of work, which is expected to last two weeks, through June 10.

Beginning on Monday, June 13, after the Grand Rapids Triathlon held on the previous day, traffic across the Thornapple River will be limited to one direction only, coming into the Village. Traffic into the Village will be routed onto the new Headley Street extension to Ada Drive. Traffic out of the Village toward Cascade Township will be detoured along a posted detour route on Ada Drive, Spaulding Avenue, Cascade Road and Laraway Lake Drive to Thornapple River Drive. The detour is expected to be in place for no more than one week, after which the new Headley Street extension will be opened to two-way traffic.

From June 17 to July 1, Thornapple River Drive from Ada Drive to the new Headley Street extension will be closed to through traffic while existing pavement is re-configured as a one-way street going southeast. Access to the Township Hall and Speedway will be maintained during this phase.



Please keep in mind that the above schedule is weather-dependent and subject to change. Visit the Township web site or the Ada Village Facebook page for construction updates.

25 YEARS AGO . . .

From the June, 1991 Adaview...

"This year's Independence Day theme, *Let Freedom Ring*, was chosen to honor those who have served in our armed forces in all conflicts to preserve and ensure freedom."

Also, from the June, 1991 Adaview...

"Rob McCormick, Ada Recreation Softball Director, handles them all with ease and grace borne of long experience, a genuine love for athletics, and enthusiasm for working with people..."

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Note: A limited number of "Cadence" issues are available at the Township offices, in the lobby, on Mondays.

If you would prefer receiving the AdaView via email, please email the Clerk's office at: jsmith@adatownshipmi.com.

FARMERS MARKET BEGINS JUNE 7TH

Welcome to another season of fresh, Ada Marketeers! It's great to have you back! We'll start out this season with a little housekeeping, beginning with some of the changes in the Market.

Right away you'll see the entrances are different. The original Headley Street access is now farther west toward the Ada Kid's Garden. You will also see a new driveway at the east corner of the church parking. Please note, this is a shared drive for Blimpie and Saburba customers only and will NOT be used for Market parking. We'll have a sign posted at the street entrance to remind everyone.



The entrance off Thornapple River Drive remains open, but only to handicap-tagged vehicles. Primary parking for shoppers will be street parking on Headley, Thornapple River Drive (where available) and a few spots along the western drive of the church parking lot.

The next thing you'll notice is the Market is a different shape. We've reoriented the direction - one big rectangle - but tried to keep vendors close to where they were originally. We'll post a map online if you want to take a peek before coming or just come on in and explore!



We are also integrating vendor parking as our regular space was eliminated via construction. Vendors will be using reserved space at the east Thornapple River Drive entrance. As mentioned above, limited additional parking will be at the western side of the church parking lot, along with a few more handicap spaces.

Finally, we are also phasing out the sale of wooden tokens for shoppers using credit and debit cards. The vast majority of vendors have migrated to their own card scanning system, making our token system redundant. Vendors will still continue to accept tokens, so if you have some left from previous visits, bring them in and spend them!

We will, however, still continue to issue EBT and Double Up Food Bucks tokens for those who are eligible.

What stayed the same?

We're still open on Tuesdays from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m., complete with vendors, kid's booth, musicians from noon until 2 p.m. and our popular Chef in the Market program. And, when you step in the Market, it will still be the same quality, friendly faces and wide choices of local products. You'll be buying from a guaranteed genuine, fresh source and keeping your access to healthy food choices a vibrant part of the community.

So, it's still your favorite market, but with a new, fresh face, just in time to greet you for another hale and hearty summer.

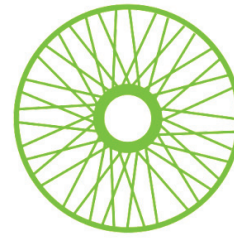
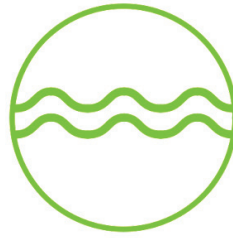
See you soon at the Market!

GRAND RAPIDS TRIATHLON REMINDER

The Grand Rapids Triathlon will be taking place in and around the Ada Township area on Sunday, June 12th. We'd like to thank you for welcoming us back to your community for the sixth year.

Please be aware of road closures on Thornapple River Drive and Buttrick Avenue. Thornapple will be open to residents of those neighborhoods, but we ask that you use caution while driving past runners on the course. Buttrick Avenue will be closed completely between Thornapple and Grand River Drive. Road closures will be from 5 p.m. on Saturday, June 11th, to 6 p.m. on Sunday, June 12th. If driving in the area of Grand River Dr., please watch for cyclists on the course.

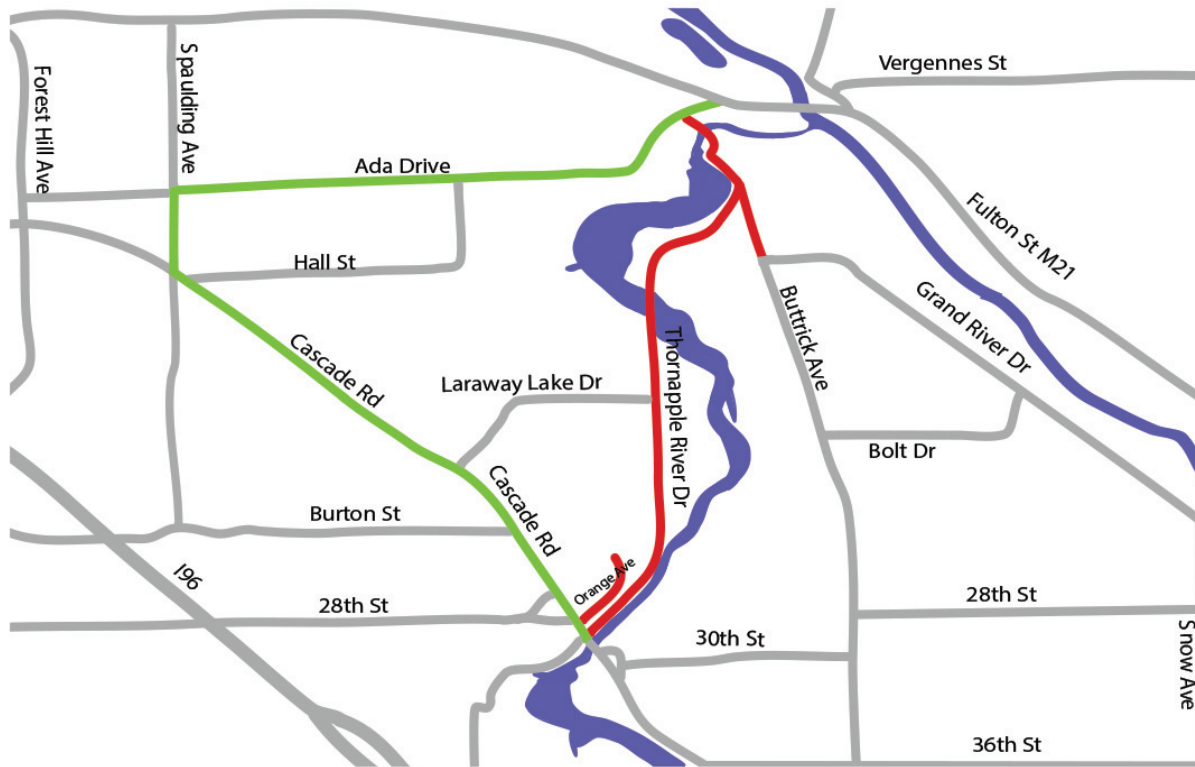
We would love to have you join us on the course to spectate or volunteer if you're not participating. If you have any questions/concerns, please call Race Director Andy Vidro at (616) 805-3059.



GRAND RAPIDS TRIATHLON 2016



DETOUR MAP



- Map Key**
- Detour Route
 - Road Closure

Detour Directions

1. Go West on Cascade Rd SE toward 28th St. (3.0 mi)
2. Turn right onto Spaulding Ave SE (0.5 mi)
3. Take the 2nd right onto Ada Dr SE (2.7 mi)

ELECTIONS

2016 is a busy year for Elections. The next election will be the Primary on August 2. This election will include state, county and local officials, judges, and local proposals.

In anticipation of a very long ballot and due to elimination of "Straight Party voting," Ada Township has mailed eligible residents an application for Permanent Absentee Voter status. Becoming a permanent absentee voter permits, but does not require, you to vote absentee for each election. The township will mail you an application for absentee ballot for each election, and if you return the application, an absentee ballot will be mailed to you. This will permit you not only to avoid going to the polls on election day, but give you plenty of time to review your ballot and research candidates and issues before you cast your vote.

Note: if you are in Precinct 4 or 5, you will have a new polling place beginning this August. The new Roselle Park resource building will be opening this Spring. If you are affected, you have received a letter explaining the move, and a new Voter ID card will follow.



ELECTION INSPECTORS NEEDED

Election inspectors are still needed for Tuesday, August 2, and Tuesday, November 8. You will be paid, fed, have interaction with co-workers and voters, and learn a little about the election process. Please contact the Ada Township Clerk's Office at (616) 676-9191, x 21 or 20, if you are interested.

MILLAGE PROPOSALS

Ada Township has two millage proposals on the August ballot. The first is for a renewal of our newly-combined Parks and Open Space millage. The other is for a renewal/increase for public safety. Here is the actual ballot language for both proposals:

PROPOSAL 1 PARKS, RECREATION, AND LAND PRESERVATION MILLAGE

"This proposal is for a renewal and combination of two millages expiring in 2016 (rolled back under the Headlee Amendment): the 0.25 mills parks and recreation millage and the 0.40 parks and land preservation millage.

May Ada Township levy up to 0.65 mills (\$0.65 per \$1,000 of taxable value) to provide funds for purposes of parks, recreation, and land preservation, for a period of ten (10) years beginning in the year 2017 and continuing to the year 2026? These purposes include constructing, equipping, operating, acquiring and maintaining land, buildings and improvements for parks, preserves and recreational facilities; and financing for any of these purposes.

The Township estimates that this levy would raise \$612,277 in its first year."

PROPOSAL 2 POLICE AND FIRE PROTECTION MILLAGE PROPOSAL

"This proposal is for a renewal and increase of a millage expiring in 2016.

May Ada Township levy up to 0.95 mills (\$0.95 per \$1,000 of taxable value) to provide funds for police protection within the Township and for maintenance, equipment, and operation of the Township's Fire Department? This levy would be for five (5) years beginning in 2017 and continuing through 2021. The Township estimates that this levy would raise \$895,061 in its first year."

BURN PERMITS

Burn permits are available by calling Ada Township (616) 676-9191, Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.– 5 p.m.

If considering a fire, you must call for a permit to do so. Caller must provide name, address and contact phone number. You must speak with a person for the permit as a voicemail message is not valid.

Please Note: Restricted Area (south of Fulton) can burn only November 1 – April 30, and will not be issued permits the rest of the year.



HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DROP OFF DAY

Saturday, July 16, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Cascade Fire Station 2990 Buttrick Ave SE

Ada and Cascade residents may drop off chemical waste for proper disposal. Items like weed killers, paint thinners, preservatives, cleaners, as well as lights and thermometers with mercury.

No latex paint or pharmaceuticals.

SUMMERTIME FIRE SAFETY TIPS

As the warm weather arrives so does the chance for severe storms. Have a plan ready in the event of a storm. Here are a few safety tips to follow.

TORNADOS: Seek shelter indoors away from windows and on the lowest level of the structure. Windowless interior rooms and hallways may be used if no basement is available.

LIGHTNING STORMS: When outdoors reduce your risk and get inside a safe building or vehicle. Avoid open fields and stay away from trees, water and metal objects such as fences and poles.

POWER LINES: NEVER approach downed wires. Power and communication lines can look the same and remain energized along with fences and trees or anything they are in contact with.

TORNADO SIREN TESTING is the first Friday of each month at noon from April through October.

AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES ID WORKSHOP

Date: Thursday, June 9

Time: 7 p.m.–9 p.m.

Location: Wisner Center, Cascade Library

Presenter: Kevin Walters, Aquatic Invasive Species
with the Michigan DEQ

Can you identify this aquatic invasive? Have you seen it in a waterway near you? Come learn how you can identify and prevent the spread of Aquatic Invasive Species. Your help is needed to prevent these foreign invaders from becoming established in West Michigan.

The Aquatic Invasive Species ID Training is sponsored by Cascade Township, Ada Township Parks and Recreation and the Stewardship Network West Michigan Cluster.

Questions: Contact Ginny Wanty at (616) 481-4220





DOOR-TO-DOOR SALES

Ada has regulations and rules that need to be followed in order for a person to solicit, or go door to door offering something for a fee. The person soliciting must go to the township and fill out an application. A brief back ground investigation is done on the applicant to be sure he/she is not wanted or has a criminal history that would be concerning to residents. Once the back ground investigation is complete the applicant is issued a permit. The permit is a card with a picture ID that is to be visible and clearly states he /she can solicit in Ada Township. This permit allows them to go door to door in the community unless the community is marked with a No Soliciting sign.

The applicant still has specific times he / she can solicit and a resident can still complain about the solicitor if the person is rude, aggressive or makes the resident uncomfortable. If you have a complaint about a solicitor who has a permit, contact Ada Township Clerk's Office at (616) 676-9191 x20. If the person does not have a permit, contact the Sheriff's department at (616) 632-6100.

A person going door to door for a political campaign does not need a permit through the township.

Be Safe and Aware

Ryan Roe
Deputy Kent County Sheriff's Department, East Precinct



BEERS AT THE BRIDGE

Ada Township, the Ada Historical Society and Gravel Bottom Brewery & Supply present Beers at the Bridge

Join us at the Ada Covered Bridge from 6-9 p.m. for craft beer, food and live music. Don't forget to bring your lawn chair! All food and drink sales are cash only. Alcohol sales require a valid form of ID.

Three special Music on the Lawn concerts

| Dates | Bands |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Friday, June 24 | Vox Vidorra |
| Friday, July 22 | The 6-Pak |
| Friday, August 19 | Thirsty Perch Blues Band |

And don't forget! More live music can be heard throughout the summer at the Music on the Lawn concert series.

For more information: www.AdaHistoricalSociety.org.

For more Ada Village information visit: adamichigan.org

Also, please see the Ada Historical's full schedule of Music on the Lawn.



CEMETERIES

Ada Township owns and operates two cemeteries, Ada Cemetery, located at East Fulton and Grand River Drive, and Findlay Cemetery, 7182 Two Mile Road.



Residents of Ada Township may purchase spaces at either cemetery for \$300 each at Ada Township Hall. Note there are additional charges for opening, closing, and restoration of surface for burials. Burial permits are required (typically provided by funeral home).

Please note the following:

- Open for visitation from dawn to dusk
- Findlay Cemetery gate open Wednesdays and weekends April 1 through November 1
- Remember the cemetery is not a park, playground, or parking lot
- Be respectful of other visitors and other people's graves
- Consumption of alcoholic beverages, littering of grounds, and hunting are prohibited
- Vehicles permitted on designated roads only with a 5 miles per hour speed limit
- Decorations must be restricted to the area within the lot boundary
- Plantings restricted to flowers only
- Decorations or plantings deemed to hamper maintenance or detract from general appearance may be removed by the township
- Decorations, containers, etc. are to be removed no later than October 1
- No bringing brush or other refuse for disposal

TAX PAYMENT METHODS

Tax bills are scheduled to be mailed out July 1, 2016. These bills are due by September 14, 2016. Remember the Township **DOES NOT** accept postmarks. The date received is considered date paid. You have several options in paying your bill:

As always you may come into the Township offices Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. except for holidays when the offices are closed. There is a drive-up drop box located at the end of the sidewalk at the Thornapple River Dr entrance to the Township offices.

You can sign up for ACH, which allows the Township's bank to deduct payment from your bank. Call our offices for more information.

You can also make payments with a credit/debit card by logging onto our website: www.adatownshipmi.com, or call 1-888-891-6064 (press 1), or stop into the Township Office. See the back of tax bill for further instructions. There is **a fee of 3% of the tax bill** charged by the credit card clearinghouse for any credit/debit card transaction no matter where you make the payment.

You can mail your payment to our office. **REMEMBER THAT POSTMARKS ARE NOT ACCEPTED. THE DATE RECEIVED IS CONSIDERED DATE PAID. ALL PAYMENTS MUST BE IN OUR OFFICE BY SEPTEMBER 14, 2016, 5:00PM TO BE CONSIDERED ON TIME.**

The Township does accept partial payments starting on July 1st when summer tax bills are released. Appropriate interest/penalties will apply to the unpaid balance after September 14th.



SENIORS AND DISABLED CITIZENS OF ADA TOWNSHIP

Please take note: you can apply for a deferment for 2016 summer tax if your household income did not exceed \$40,000 for the preceding calendar year and you meet at least one of the following requirements:

- **You are 62 years or older**
- **Paraplegic or Quadriplegic**
- **Eligible serviceperson, veteran widow or widower**
- **Blind**
- **Totally and permanently disabled**

If you had a deferment for 2016 a form will automatically be mailed to you. You may pick up a form at the Township Treasurer's Office at 7330 Thornapple River Drive or call (616) 676-9191 ext. 27 to have a form mailed to you. The form is due September 14, 2016 by 5:00 p.m.



CAR SHOW JULY 4TH

Following the parade the Ada Firefighters host a car show. This year the show has been moved to the New Headley Street. Bring your car, truck or motorcycle to display from Rat Rods to Hot Rods.

A \$ 10 entry fee gets you a dash plaque and a chance at a trophy; proceeds go to Flat River Outreach Ministries. Questions? Visit adacarshow.com or call the Fire Station at (616) 676-2376.

JULY 4TH CELEBRATION

7-9:30 a.m. - Fireman's Breakfast

9:00 a.m. – Parade lineup begins

10:00 a.m. – Kids Bike Parade begins with Main parade following

11:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. - Celebration

11:00 a.m. to 3 p.m. – Classic Car show

Dusk (10:00 p.m.) – Fireworks

July 4th will be here before we know it. The day will begin with the annual Pancake Breakfast at Fire Station 1 (corner of Fulton and Bronson).

Parade lineup will begin at 9:00 a.m. in the McDonalds/Vitales/Zeytin parking lot. The "Kids' Bike Parade" will begin at 10:00 a.m., followed shortly by the "Main" parade. Please note that business and political campaigns are limited to one entry.

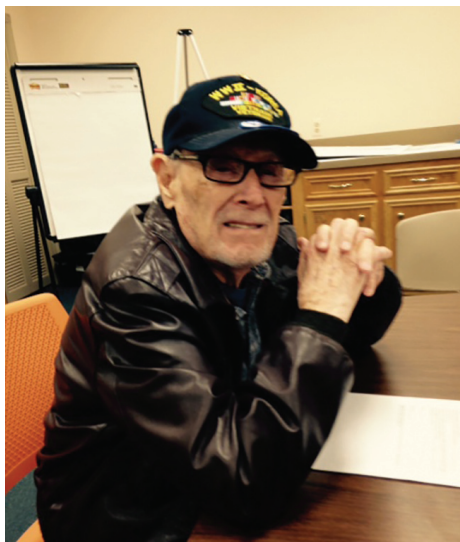
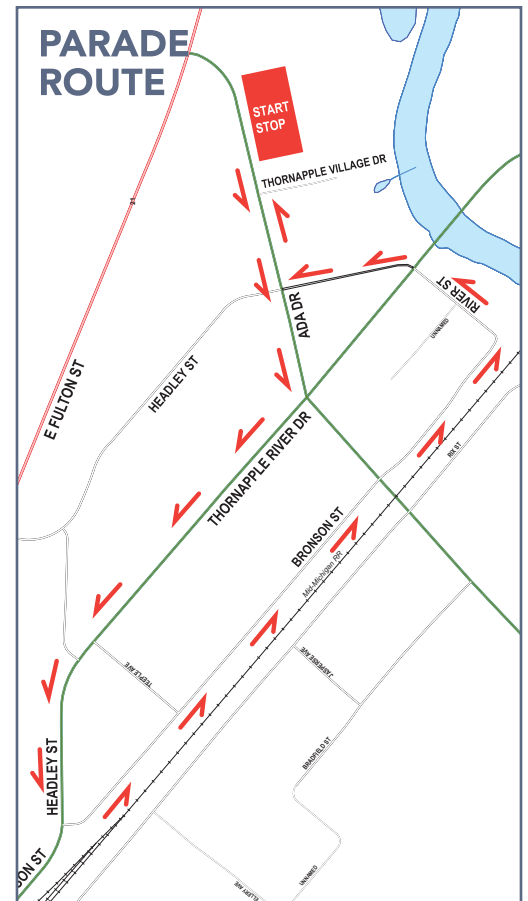
The parade route will start and end the same place, but it is just a bit different this year.

The "Celebration" will begin as the parade concludes. The site is moved this year to what's known as "The Gilmore property," behind Gravel Bottom Brewery, near the river and M-21. Dine-Out Dawgs, Ning Ye Restaurant, and Blimpies, will offer food for sale. Music will be furnished by Blue Water Ramblers.

The Annual Classic Car Show will happen this year on the "New Headley Street." Come see some interesting classic cars and vote for your favorite.

Fireworks will be launched near the river again this year at dusk. Bring your lawn chairs and/or blankets to the village or nearby to view some fantastic fireworks. Co-sponsored by Cascade Township.

Bike Decoration Day is Friday, July 1, 10:00 a.m. to 12 noon, at Ada Park. Help and materials will be available. For 4 – 12 year olds with parent or guardian. \$5 per bike.



INTRODUCING NORIUS CRISAN, GRAND MARSHALL

Norius Crisan, born in 1921, has an extensive history of service to our country.

Over 28 years, he was in both the US Army Air Corps and the US Air Force. He served in World War II, Korea, and Viet Nam. He retired from the USAF in 1966 and went to work for the Navy (Civil Service), for seven years at Naval Air Station North Island in Coronado, California.

In World War II, his plane was shot down over Kiel, Germany, and he became a German POW until the end of the war. He escaped and was recaptured several times from his prison camp, and was released at the end of the war.

ADA HISTORICAL SOCIETY**Events for June, July and August 2016****June 9, July 14, August 11 – Monthly Board Meeting**

1:00 pm at the museum. Board meetings are open to the public. We welcome your involvement. Join us to find out how we're making history! Please call or email with any questions.

June 14 - August 30 – Music On the Lawn

7:00 pm most Tuesday nights on the museum lawn – and now featuring three Friday night "Beers At the Bridge" events. Grab a blanket or lawn chair and head over to Ada's 16th annual concert series. Enjoy a wide variety of the sounds of summer at Music On the Lawn.



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| Tuesday | 6/14 | The Adams Family | at the museum |
| Friday | 6/24 | Vox Vidorra | at the covered bridge |
| Tuesday | 6/28 | Tony Reynolds | at the museum |
| Tuesday | 7/5 | *No concert due to 4th of July holiday* | |
| Tuesday | 7/12 | Sam's Swing Band | at the museum |
| Friday | 7/22 | The 6 Pak | at the covered bridge |
| Tuesday | 7/26 | Entourage | at the museum |
| Tuesday | 8/2 | Blue Water Ramblers | at the museum |
| Friday | 8/12 | Nowhere Band | at the museum |
| Friday | 8/19 | Thirsty Perch | at the covered bridge |
| Tuesday | 8/23 | Odd Couple | at the museum |
| Tuesday | 8/30 | TBD | at the museum |

Book Signing – Date TBD in June

Stay tuned for information on a book signing for our newest publication, *The Next 50 Years in A Snug Little Place, Ada MI 1930-1950*. Author Jane Siegel will be on hand to sign your copy and books will be available for sale in the museum gift shop. Stop by and share some of your old Ada memories with us too!

July 4 – Fourth of July parade & festivities

8:30-11:30 a.m. for parade/1:00-4:00 p.m. museum open hours. Come to the village to celebrate our nation's birthday! AHS will have coffee and water available along the parade route and the museum will be open in the afternoon.

July 26 – Garden Party

5:00 – 7:00 p.m. on museum grounds. Come early to stroll the gardens, then stay for Music On the Lawn. Our wonderful Master Gardener will be on hand, we'll have light refreshments, and a few surprises. Mark your calendar for a lovely evening.

August 5 – August in Ada

10:00am-2:00pm at Ada Township Park. We'll enjoy the dog days of summer with our littlest friends at Ada's annual children's festival. Look for the AHS booth amid the rides, activities, nibbles and fun.

August 9, 10, 11 – Pioneer Days summer camp

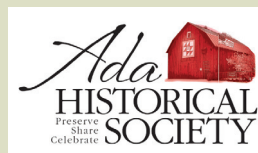
9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. at the museum. We are excited to offer another year of summer camp with the Ada Parks department. Kids get the chance to step back in time and live like the pioneers did! To join the fun, please pre-register through the Parks Department at 676-0520 or online at adatownshipmi.com.

Temporary exhibit, "Kreigh Collins: Artist in Ada"

Stop by the museum to check out our temporary exhibit showcasing the life of Kreigh Collins, a 40-year Ada resident. Best known for his nationally-syndicated comic strips, Collins expressed his art in a variety of diverse and captivating ways. Museum open hours are Fridays and Saturdays from 1:00-4:00 pm.

HOURS OF OPERATION

The Averill Historical Museum of Ada is open Fridays & Saturdays from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. & also by appointment.



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www.adahistoricalociety.org

ADA PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

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E-mail: mfitzpatrick@adatownshipmi.com

Web site: www.adatownshipmi.com

Office in Ada Park: 1180 Buttrick Ave, Ada, 49301

Mailing address: P.O. Box 370, 7330 Thornapple River Dr., Ada, Michigan 49301

Mission: "To provide all community members with diverse recreational opportunities including access to premier natural, historical and cultural areas that enhance our quality of life and inspire the preservation of nature."

ADA TOWNSHIP PARKS & PRESERVES

Ada Township Park & Locke Arboretum 1180 Buttrick Ave. 57 acres. Parks office, Learning Center and Arboretum. Athletic fields, tennis courts, playground, pond, trails, picnic areas.

Roselle Park 1010 Grand River Dr. NE. 247 acres. Restrooms, meeting room, picnic area, playground, paved and non-paved trails, observation decks, natural areas, Grand River shoreline.

Leonard Field Park & Ada Covered Bridge 7490 Thornapple River Dr. 2 acres. Softball field, bike path, Thornapple River overlook.

Grand River Natural Area Grand River Drive SE. 110 acres. Enter via Ada Park. Trails, bike path, Grand River shoreline.

Carl Creek Crossings Preserve 6230 Grand River Drive. 8 acres. Trails, creek access. No facilities.



FACILITY USE

Park Hours: Park grounds are open dawn to dusk, 7 days a week.

Dog Policy: Township ordinances require dogs to be on a leash and cleaned up after in all parks.

Motorized recreation vehicles are not allowed.

Alcohol is not allowed in the parks or park facilities.

Walking & Bike Paths: Located throughout the Township and the Parks. Contact the Park office or web site for map.

Facility Reservations and Rentals: Contact the Park office for scheduling and fees.

Ada Park Shelter & Gazebo: Available April - October.

Roselle Park meeting room: Available after May on a limited basis for education programs, non-profit groups, Ada community groups and local businesses.

Athletic Fields: For general public use, area leagues and instructional programs.

Basketball & Tennis Courts: Open to public except during scheduled programs.

UPDATES ON ADA THE PARKS

ROSELLE PARK BUILDING TO OPEN SOON

Soon the new facility at Roselle Park will be open for use. The structural components of the building are complete except for a few amenities. The landscaping will look bare for a few weeks until the plants grow in.

Items to note:

- The main park entrance will shift to the driveway across from Michigan Street.
- The restrooms in the building will be the main restrooms for the park. They will be open seven days a week, early morning to dusk. The port-a-jons will soon be removed.
- A new trail head will be by the new parking lot leading to both paved and non-paved pathways.
- The meeting room will be used this first year for education programs, meetings and workshops, as well as activities by non-profit organizations, schools and Ada community and neighborhood groups and local businesses. We will not be hosting private events in the meeting room for this first year. Contact the Parks office for reservations and fee structures.



THANK YOU TO DONORS

Thank you to all the donors and supporters who helped to make this new facility a reality. We could not have done it without your assistance. A big thank you to Dixon Architect for their design and oversight on the project and to TerHorst & Rinzema as the construction contractor.

You may still assist with this project through donations or memorial gifts towards the building in general, or a more targeted gift such as "buying a brick," donating a tree, or specific amenities inside the building. Please contact the Park office for details.

Nicole Holton joins the Park staff. Nicole is a new hire as a Parks Maintenance worker. She brings with her a degree in Parks & Recreation from Lake Superior State University and several years of experience including work with the MI DNR State Parks. Please say hello as you see her in the parks and on the trails.

August primary to support Parks, Recreation & Preserves.

At the August election there will be a millage renewal for the Parks, Recreation and Land Preservation program. This will combine the past millages which provide operational funds for the parks, nature preserves, recreational facilities and education programs.

ADA PARKS - SPECIAL EVENTS

GRAND RAPIDS TRIATHLON

Sunday, June 12

Starts and ends in Ada. For information see: www.grandrapidstriathlon.com. Sections of Buttrick Dr. and Thornapple River Dr. closed on the evening of June 11th and the day of June 12th.

4TH OF JULY EVENTS

July 4 Ada Village

Parade at 10:00 a.m., line up starts at 9:00 am. Activities from 11:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Fireworks at Dusk.

AUGUST IN ADA

Friday August 5 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Ada Township Park

A day for kids and families. Sponsored by the Ada Business Association.

ROSELLE PARK RIVER FESTIVAL & GRAND RIVER-RUN

Saturday, September 24

Roselle Park

"River Festival" 10:00 am – 4:00 p.m.

Free, fun activities for all ages plus food, music and river stewardship information.

"Grand River-Run" 9:00 a.m. -10:30 a.m. with an 8K, 5K and 1.5 mile Family Run/Walk.

Register for the runs at www.grandriver-run.com.



ADULT PROGRAMS



ADA ADULT FALL SOFTBALL

The Fall Leagues will run from August 2 through October 8. Applications and entry fees for new or returning teams for the fall leagues are due July 25, 2016. Team fee of \$350 covers 6 games, balls, umpires and registration fee. An optional double elimination league tournament will also be

offered for \$110. Fall League games are held Tuesday nights for men's slow pitch and Wednesday night for COED. For an application or information contact the Park Office at (616) 676-0520 or email rmccormick@adatowshipmi.com.

OIL PAINTING WORKSHOPS (EN PLEIN AIR)

Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Starting June 1

Roselle Park \$30 per session

For all levels. To register contact Scott at (616) 745-9297 or scottkenyon@aol.com.

NATURE PHOTO SHOTS

Thursday, June 23

7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Roselle Park \$3:00 per person

Share your digital photos on the big screen and receive coaching on techniques.

AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES IDENTIFICATION WORKSHOP

Thursday, June 9 7:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m.

Cascade Library Free

Learn to identify and prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species in rivers, lakes and ponds.

YOUTH PROGRAMS

Pre-registration requested by calling (616) 676-0520 or email mfitzpatrick@adatowshipmi.com. Contact the Park office for a registration packet.

DISCOVERY DAYS

Ages 3-5

Ada and Roselle Park

Jump, Frog, Jump!

Butterflies

Backbone Bonanza

10:00 a.m. – 12 noon

\$5/youth/session

Tues. June 14

Tues. July 5

Tues. Aug. 2

Roselle Park

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YOUNG EXPLORERS

Ages 5-7

Ada & Roselle Parks

Bonkers for Bikes

Fishing Fun

Wild Water

10 a.m.- 12 noon

\$5/youth/session

Wed. June 15

Wed. July 6

Wed. Aug. 3

Roselle Park

Ada Park

Ada Park

JUNIOR NATURALISTS

Ages 8-11

Ada & Roselle Parks

Bike-A-Thon

Fishing Frenzy

Adventure Race

Times vary

\$5/youth/session

Wed. June 15, 1-3 p.m.

Wed. July 6, 1-3 p.m.

Thurs. Aug. 4, 10 a.m.-Noon

Roselle Park

Ada Park

Ada Park

OUTDOOR ADVENTURER

Ages 10-13

Saddle Up!

River Trip!

Full Moon Howl!

Times, locations and fees vary

Thurs. June 16, 9:30-12:30

\$50 at Double C Stables

Thurs. July 7 9:30 – 12:30

\$25 on the Grand River

Thurs. August 18 6:30– 9:00 p.m.

\$10 at Roselle Park

DAY CAMPS

Ages 6-11

9:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Sports Spectacular

Arts in the Park

Bugs to Bears

Eyes on Survival

Pioneer Days

Various Dates

Ada & Roselle Parks

Tues. - Thurs. June 21-23

Tues. - Thurs. July 12 – 14

Tues. - Thurs. July 19-21

Tues. – Thurs. July 26-28 (Full)

Tues. – Thurs. Aug. 9-11

Ages 10-13

WOOD & DUNES ECO-ADVENTURE CAMP

Tues. June 28 – Thurs. June 30

9:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. \$120/youth

Three days exploring, hiking and biking local parks and sand dunes.

ADA VILLAGE KIDS' GARDEN

For 9-12 years olds

Next to Ada Community Church

Summer session starts June 14.

Fall starts August 23. Cost: \$70/session



BIKE DECORATING DAY

For ages 4-12 with a parent/guardian

Friday July 1

10 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

\$5/bike

Ada Park

Decorate for the 4th of July Parade! Materials provided.

GIRL SCOUT DAY CAMP

June 13-16

1:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Ada Park

Girls 1st -5th grades. Non-registered Girl Scouts welcome.

Contact: Jessica Maddox at jrmaddox@gmail.com



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CALENDAR (2016) SUMMER ISSUE

JUNE

- 7 Farmers Market - 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- 7 Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting - 4:30 p.m.
- 9 Ada Historical Society Board Meeting - 1:00 p.m.
- 12 Grand Rapids Triathlon
- 13 Downtown Development Authority - 8:00 a.m.
- 13 Ada Township Board Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
- 14 Farmers Market - 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- 14 Parks, Recreation & Land Preservation Advisory Board - 4:00 p.m.
- 14 Music On the Lawn: *The Adams Family* - 7:00 p.m. (at the museum)
- 16 Planning Commission - 7:00 p.m.
- 21 Farmers Market - 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- 24 Beers at the Bridge - 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.
- 24 Music On the Lawn: *Vox Vidorra* - 7:00 p.m. (at the bridge)
- 27 Ada Township Board Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
- 28 Farmers Market - 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- 28 Music On the Lawn: *Tony Reynolds* - 7:00 p.m. (at the museum)

JULY

- 1 Decorate your bike for parade at Ada Park - 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
- 4 Independence Day - Office Closed
- 4 4th of July Events - 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
*** FIREWORKS at dusk
- 5 Farmers Market - 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- 5 Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting - 4:30 p.m.
- 11 Downtown Development Authority - 8:00 a.m.
- 11 Ada Township Board Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
- 12 Farmers Market - 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- 12 Music On the Lawn: *Sam's Swing Band* - 7:00 p.m. (at the museum)
- 14 Ada Historical Society Board Meeting - 1:00 p.m.
- 14 Parks, Recreation & Land Preservation Advisory Board - 4:00 p.m.
- 16 Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off - 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. - Cascade Fire Station (2990 Buttrick Ave SE)
- 19 Farmers Market - 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

- 21 Planning Commission - 7:00 p.m.
- 22 Beer at the Bridge - 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.
- 22 Music On the Lawn: *The 6 Pak* - 7:00 p.m. (at the bridge)
- 26 Farmers Market - 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- 26 Garden Party (Ada Historical Society) 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- 26 Music On the Lawn: *Entourage* - 7:00 p.m. (at the museum)

AUGUST

- 2 Election Day - polls open at 7:00 a.m.
- 2 Farmers Market - 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- 2 Music On the Lawn: *Blue Water Ramblers* - 7:00 p.m. (at the museum)
- 5 August in Ada - 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- 8 Downtown Development Authority - 8:00 a.m.
- 8 Ada Township Board Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
- 9 Farmers Market - 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- 9 Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting - 4:30 p.m.
- 9-11 Pioneer Days Summer Camp (Historical Society) - 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- 11 Ada Historical Society Board Meeting - 1:00 p.m.
- 12 Music On the Lawn: *Nowhere Band* - 7:00 p.m. (at the museum)
- 16 Farmers Market - 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- 18 Planning Commission - 7:00 p.m.
- 19 Beers at the Bridge - 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
- 19 Music On the Lawn: *Thirsty Perch* - 7:00 p.m. (at the bridge)
- 23 Farmers Market - 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- 23 Music On the Lawn: *Odd Couple* - 7:00 p.m. (at the museum)
- 30 Farmers Market - 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- 30 Music On the Lawn: *TBD* - 7:00 p.m. (at the museum)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- Sep 24 Grand River-Run & Roselle Park River Festival
- Oct 1 Clean-Up Day
- Oct 18 Leaf Pick-Up Day
- Nov 15 Leaf Pick-Up Day

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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