



The Clay Connection

GO MUSKRATS!!!!!!

September 2016

Fall Check List

Shake Your Mailboxes

Shake your mailboxes to make sure it will withstand the pressure of the snow from a snow plow this winter. Hard to talk about snow but it is easier to fix them now instead of the dead of winter.

Leaving us this Winter

If you are leaving us in the cold this winter, you should do a couple things before you leave. Have the water dept shut off the water to your home at the road (\$15). Every year we hear stories of someone in the township has frozen pipes that leads to their homes being severely damaged. Save yourself the worries and headaches.

Twp reducing it's debt

I am proud to say, Clay Township has gained and maintained a **AA+ D & B rating**. It is the highest standard that a municipality can have. What does this mean? Clay Twp is financially strong, can borrow funds at lower interest rates. We just retired more water debt savings thousands of

Property Protection Program.

Also if you are leaving us for even a vacation, sign up with the Police Dept Property Protection Program. The Clay Township Police Department has been offering a free property check program to our citizens. We will do daily drive by's and walk around your property. If you have any questions or to sign up, contact the Clay Township Police Department at (810)794-9381.

Do this for your peace of mind, even if you are only going for a few weeks or months.

This is another way your tax dollars are working for you.

dollars. Last year, we paid off the mortgage on the park property several years early saving tens of thousands of dollars. And two years ago, the township refinanced our outstanding bonds and lowered our interest rates from between 7% - 5% down to %1.87. This saved the tax payers hundreds of thousands of dollars. We are always aggressively seeking ways to lower our costs going forward

Fall Programs

"Online Safety"

Monthly Consumer Presentation provided by Michigan Attorney General.

September 21, 2016 7:00 pm Free at the Clay Township Hall.

Home Repair and Improvement Scams

October 19, 7:00 pm
At the township hall

"Cooking for a Crowd - A Volunteer's Guide to Safe Food Handling"

Non Profit Groups Welcome! Cost: \$10 (includes 115 page course manual)

September 26th
12noon - 3:00 pm at Clay Township Hall

Contact MSU Extension, 989-269-9949, ext. 602

Hazard Material Waste

The township has the only Haz Mat waste site in South St Clair County, located behind the Mainland Fire Station. We accept and properly dispose of all Haz Mat items including oil base paint, medical syringes, chemicals,

Fall Programs Cont.

FARMERS MARKET

The Greater Algonac Chamber of Commerce **Farmers Market** is up and running. It will be in the Clay Township Park, **every Wednesday, from 12:00 noon - 5:00** until we still have produce. For information on becoming a vender, contact Doreen at the Water Lily, 810-794-7673. Produce, home made crafts vendors welcome.

Holiday Family Photos

Saturday, **December 3rd**
Sunday, **December 4th**
10:00 am – 2:00 pm
Clay Township Hall

Photographer Tom Watkins

Cost: \$25 includes 1 8x10, 2 5x7, 4 wallets.

Tom is donating \$5 back into Clay's Parks & Rec

batteries, mercury. Please no latex paint, to dispose of latex paint, take the lid off and put cat litter in it and let it dry. Then you can dispose of it with your household trash. Our natural resources and water are very important to our township. We take every step possible it protect the largest fresh water delta in the Northern Hemisphere.