

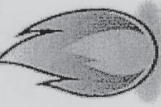
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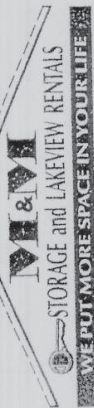
Pizza & Italian Restaurant

PH 616-891-9571 • FAX 616-891-9573

586 145th Ave Caledonia, MI 49316

Owners: Tom & Tina Diccione

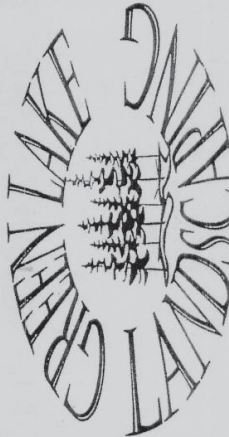
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Leighton Township Links

Website: Leightontownship.org



Leighton Township Library News:
Meet the New Director
Hello! My name is Andrea Estelle and I am the new library director at the Leighton Township Library. I am so excited for this opportunity and am enjoying getting to know the staff and all the wonderful patrons!

I graduated with a BA in Education from Calvin in 2005. I am currently pursuing my Masters in Library and Information Science from Wayne State. I will be halfway through the degree after this semester. For the past three years I have worked at the Cascade Branch of the Kent District Library in youth and reference services. I've also worked as a substitute teacher. I am married and we have three little boys under 5 years old. I recently received the honor of being chosen as "Allegan County Young Homemaker of the Year" at this year's Allegan County Fair.

When I get the time to read I enjoy reading non-fiction books about parenting boys, biographies, cookbooks with food that is easy to make, books that receive a lot of "buzz" from the patrons, funny books, and bestsellers.

I am looking forward to meeting you may have as a patron. I have a passion for excellent customer service and am eager to learn about what the community wants in their library.

My plan as I start out is to listen closely to everything I can from the patrons and staff about what items are important in the collection and what services you would like to see offered here at Leighton. This is a library that the community can be proud of. Make sure you ask any of the library staff about what programs we are offering currently. Check out our new Facebook page (just search "Leighton Township Library") and our website which has been recently updated (<http://moline.lbcop.org>). Don't forget to come visit, use our computers, check out bits of books and other materials, and **READ FOR THE FUN OF IT!** Sincerely, Andrea Estelle

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Winter 2010 Tax Payments

Payment must be received in our office by February 14, 2011. **We cannot accept postmarks!**

- Payment Options: Payments may be made at 4475 Kalamazoo Dr. on Tues.-Thurs. from 9:00-4:00.
- Includes the bottom portion with your payment.
- A mail slot is available for payments 24 hours a day in the inside door at the township hall.
- We strongly encourage payment by check or money order in lieu of cash.
- Regarding the use of credit cards for tax payments, the majority of the residents that responded were not in favor of using credit cards because of the fees associated with them.
- Change in ownership/mailing address: if you receive a bill for a property that you no longer own, kindly pass it on to the new owner, if possible, or return it to us so that we may redirect it.
- I will be in the office on:
December 30 from 9-5
February 14 & 28 from 9-5
- Please check your bill for Summer taxes owing. This line is located near the bottom of your bill in caps and bold print.
- PRE-Principle Resident Exemption is relief from school operating tax.

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Your Local Government

Leighton Township Directory
4475 Kalamazoo Dr., Caledonia, MI 49316
Phone: 891-8238 Fax: 891-2143
Office Hours are: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Friday and Fridays, The Treasurer will be in the office for your tax payment on September 14 from 9-5.

Leighton Township Board
Board meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month at 7:30 PM
Superior—Kevin DeKam, Cell 890-8854
E-mail: Superior@leightontownship.org
Clerk—Mary Lou Nieuwenhuis, Home 877-4340
E-mail: clerk@leightontownship.org
Treasurer—Char Trout, Home 673-4018
Trustee—Brian Martin, Home 877-4514
Trustee—Laura Hooker, Home (269)792-2525
Assessor—John Stob—891-8238

Zoning Permits & Building Inspector
If you have any zoning questions call:
PO- 616-877-2000

Planning Commission
Scheduled the second Wednesday of each month at 7:30 PM, but occasionally cancels.
At Zaidema, Chairman

Zoning Board of Appeals meets as needed
David Wright, Chairman

Township Deputies
John Paul Damveld Randy Beule
Eric Chief Deputy Chief
Dave Van Pelt Tony Barnes

Sexton—Johnny and Jill Hooker (269)792-2525
Green Lake Sewer—Char Trout 616 891-8238

Docel Leighton Sewer—Janice Saunders
616 891-8974

Leighton Township Library— 877-4743
Joanne Campbell-President

Allegan County Offices
Recorder—269-673-2164
County Clerk—269-673-0450
County Treasurer—269-673-0260
Drain Commissioner—269-673-0440
Health Department—269-673-5411
Resource Recovery—269-673-5411
Shore Department—269-673-5411
Clerk—269-673-0500
Animal Control—269-673-0518

Allegan County Commissioner:
Mark De Young - 269-681-9413

Burn Permits
Can be obtained by calling the Allegan County Burn Permit Line at (269) 686-5222
Permits to burn brush must be obtained on the day the material is to be burned. Be prepared with your name, address, and phone number.

State Legislative Offices
John P. Berman, Michigan State Representative
Phone: 866-745-3659 Fax: 517-373-8728
24th District Sen. Patty Birkholz -
Phone: 517-373-3447 Fax: 517-373-8848

Leighton Township

Has curbside recycling collected every other week on Mondays. A recycling bin is available by contacting Leighton Township at (616) 891-8238 or by stopping in at the township hall.

Save money

Recycling Guide



Leighton Township Recycling Changes

The current contract with Allied/Republic for recycle pickup has expired and beginning in January of 2011, Bob's Disposal Inc. will take over. Bob's Disposal will provide the same curbside service as you are accustomed to now EXCEPT that we will move to Monday pickup instead of Friday. All material must now be placed at the street on Sunday night or by 6 a.m. Monday. Bob's first pickup will be on January 3, 2011.

On Friday, December 10, residents who place recycling material out for pickup will receive one new 18 gal. brown bin from Bob's Disposal. Do not use this bin until January. (Allied will continue to pick up on December 10 and December 24.)

While we understand that change is never easy, we anticipate that the changeover will go smoothly and we ask for your patience during the transition period.

Allied Waste Services will recover their blue or green bin in one of the following ways:

1. Preferred Method: Allied Waste Services will pick up bins on Friday, January 7, 2011. The Allied bin MUST be empty and at the roadside by 7:00 AM.
2. If you miss the preferred method, you can drop the Allied Waste bin off at the Leighton Township Hall, 4475 Kalamazoo Drive by January 28. (Please place bins on the sidewalk on the south side of the building.)
3. Residents who are at their winter or vacation homes when the transition takes place should contact the township in the spring for a new bin.

New Option: Bob's Disposal will allow residents to lease a 96 gallon cart to place recycling material in for a \$12.00 per annual contract. This will prevent the need of supplying extra bins and will protect material from the weather elements. If you are interested in this feature, please contact Bob's Disposal at 616-455-1155 to make arrangements directly with them.

New Customers: All residential homes in Leighton Township are eligible for this recycling program. For sign up information, or to receive a bin, call (616-891-8238) or stop in at the Township Hall. We encourage anyone who has left the program due to customer service issues to return and try out the new program.

Missed Pickups: If your recycle material was placed out on time and missed by the driver, please call Bob's Disposal at 616-455-1155.

The following items can be recycled: phone books, newspapers, paper, cardboard (no larger than 3'x3'), magazines, cans, clear/colored glass, plastic shopping bags (#2 and #4 recycling symbols) and plastic bottles. This material can be commingled into the recycling bin. **No sorting needed. Material must be clean!** Residents can place overflow materials in similar sized Rubbermaid style totes. (Lids can be used.) **Materials may NOT be put in plastic bags.**

We have recycle cards available at the township hall that are good for tires and appliances.

To view the latest information on the Allegan County's Recycling program please visit www.allegancounty.org; select Recycling.

Recycling just got easier.... mix it all together!

Cardboard <p>flatten boxes; remove large staples & plastic wrap; tape & labels are OK; must be clean; DO NOT bundle or tie together</p>	Paperboard <p>flatten; no plastic-coated paperboard that held liquid (e.g. milk cartons)</p>	Newsprint & Phonebooks <p>remove plastic strapping, rubber bands & plastic bags</p>	Magazines & Catalogs <p>remove from plastic bags</p>	Mail & Office Paper <p>put shredded paper in paper bag; staples are OK; plastic windows in envelopes are OK</p>
thru Plastic Bottles, Jugs & Tubs <p>must be stamped 1, 7; NO STYROFOAM; wash clean; labels are OK; throw away caps & lids</p>	Shopping Bags <p>must be empty, clean & dry; must be stamped ♻️ or ♻️</p>	2011 Recycling Dates January 3, 17, 31 February 14, 28 March 14, 28 April 11, 25 May 9, 23 June 6, 20 July 5*, 18 August 8, 22 September 6*, 19 October 3, 17, 31 November 14, 28 December 12, (2nd date TBD)		
Metal Cans & Foil <p>wash clean; labels are OK; aerosol cans must be empty - throw away cap & nozzle</p>	Glass Bottles & Jars <p>clear & colored food or beverage glass; wash clean; remove lids & recycle (if metal); labels are OK</p>	Unacceptable Items - Do Not Include <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • plastics without recycle symbol & number (pool covers or tarps, pools, toys, zip-top bags, cling wrap) • electronics • plastic caps and lids • Styrofoam (plates, cups, take-out boxes, egg cartons, packing peanuts) • foam packing material • batteries • scrap metal • foils, screws or hardware • propane or helium tanks • paint cans • pots, pans or silverware • ceramics • dishes, paper plates & napkins • windows, doors or mirrors • paper cartons & juice boxes (label or sticker paper) • spiral-bound notebooks • books • pet food bags • glitter, ribbon or embellishments • photographs • greasy or dirty paper (antifreeze, motor oil, etc.) 		