

HASTINGS HIGHLIGHTS



March 2018



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What's going on this month.....

05 Monday - Library Board 4:30 PM
05 Monday - Planning Commission 7:00 PM
12 Monday - City Council 7:00 PM
14 Wednesday - Cemetery Advisory Board 3:00 PM
15 Thursday - DDA 8:00 AM
15 Thursday - Cable Access 7:00 PM
19 Monday - JPA 5:30 PM (Rutland Twp. Hall)
20 Tuesday - ZBA 7:00 PM
21 Wednesday - JPC 5:30 PM (Rutland Twp. Hall)
22 Thursday - LDFA/BRA 8:00 AM
26 Monday - City Council 7:00 PM
28 Wednesday - Airport Commission 4:30 PM
30 Friday - City Hall Closed - Good Friday

Important Message Regarding "Wet Wipes"

Did you know that even "Wet Wipes" marked "flushable" are not biodegradable, and can end up plugging your sewer lead or the sanitary sewer main and causing back-ups in the system? The picture below is an example of how the wipes collect in the sewer, and must be retrieved manually. Your Department of Public Services requests that wipes be placed in the garbage, and recommends only disposal of toilet paper in the sewer to avoid the possibility of the sewage backing up into your home. If you have any questions, please call 269-945-2468.



Downtown Events



This Month

St. Patrick's Day Parade

1 PM

Saturday, March 17

Coming Soon

Barry-Roubaix

Thornapple Jazz Festival

Radon Testing Kits Available

Radon is a colorless odorless gas derived from the radioactive decay of the element radium that can find its way into homes through basements, crawl spaces and slab foundations. Radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer. It has been estimated that as many as 10 – 35 percent of homes in the Barry-Eaton Health District have elevated radon levels. To learn more about radon and how to obtain a test kit, contact the Barry-Eaton District Health Department, 269-945-9516 or visit their website: <https://www.barryeatonhealth.org/healthy-homes>

Compostable Yard Waste Drop-Off Site

The City of Hastings compostable yard waste drop-off site at 1303 W State Road will be closed from January 26, 2018 until the weather warms up this spring. In the event that there is a large storm that necessitates opening the site sooner, the City of Hastings will publish a news release at that time.

Any questions regarding the site operations or the materials allowed to be dropped off can be directed to Lee Hays, Director of Public Services at lhays@hastingsmi.org or 269-945-2468.





Upcoming 2018 February Events at Hastings Public Library

Dr. Suess Reading is My Thing for March Reading Club (Preschool through High School)

Toddlers through the Primary Grades

Toddler Time for children 18 months to 3 years on Tuesdays at 10:30am

Pre-School Story Time for kids from 3 to 6 years on Fridays at 10:30am

Teens (6th – 12th Grades)

3/10: Dungeons & Dragons – 10:00-2:00

3/12 & 26: Creative Haven Writing Club 6:30pm

3/12, 19 & 26: FREE Learning @ the Library - Video Production 101 at 6:30pm

3/13: Novel Ideas Book Club watches "**Megan Leavey**" and discusses the book "**Sergeant Rex**" at 6:00pm

3/16: Teen Video Game Tournament, Round 2 from 4:00 to 6:30pm

Kids Pre-K through 12th Grades

3/19: LEGO Club from 4:00-5:00pm (*Adults must be accompanied by a child*)

Families

3/7: Suess-Abration Family Event (Registration required) from 6:00 to 7:30pm

Adults

Movie Memories and Milestones every **Thursday** at 5:00pm. March Madness abounds this month with *Movie Buff Awards*, enjoy a special pick by the Movie Memories group:

February 1: "The Strawberry Blonde" (1941) starring James Cagney, Olivia de Havilland, Rita Hayworth and Jack Carson

February 8: "The Strange Affair of Uncle Harry" (1945) starring George Sanders, Ella Raines, Geraldine Fitzgerald

February 15: "Three Secrets" (1950) starring Eleanor Parker, Patricia Neal, Ruth Roman.

February 22: "Death Takes a Holiday" (1934) starring Fredric March, Evelyn Venable

3/5: Library Board of Directors meets at 4:30pm

3/5: FREE Learning @ the Library – Sign Language Class at 6:00pm

3/ 6 & 20: Mahjong Club at 5:30pm

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3/27: Genealogy Club on Tuesday at 6:00pm

Everyone

Quilting Passions Crafting Group every **MONDAY** -10:00 am to 1:00 pm

Chess Club every **Tuesday** evening at 6:00pm

VITA – once again volunteers will be helping with tax preparation. Call 269-945-0523 to make an appointment. The volunteers will be working at the Library on Saturdays, March 4 and 18; and Wednesdays March 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29

For more information about all of our activities Visit our web page at <http://www.hastingspubliclibrary.org> – or -- Find us on Facebook at Hastings Public Library-MI – or -- Call us at (269) 945-4263.



***Swim Lessons** begin Tuesday March 6th (6 classes) and Thursday March 8th (6 classes) at Spectrum Pennock Health and Wellness. 7:00-7:40pm. \$50.



~**FREE EVALUATION:** March 24, 2018 between 10:00-11:30am (come and go). Y Swim instructors evaluate your child in the pool to help you find the best swim lesson for your child(ren).

***Signups for YMCA SPRING SPORTS** start March 5th: YOUTH: soccer, t-ball, coach pitch, travel baseball/softball. Tiny Tots program. Adult softball.

***YMCA Summer Camp** Registration is NOW OPEN.

***YMCA Summer Camp is hiring CAMP COUNSLEORS**, ages 18 and up.

***Y Mentors: Adult mentors needed to mentor Middle School and High School students at one of our three locations, Delton, Hastings, and Middleville.**

***B. Bus Mobile Library:** The YMCA, in collaboration with county partners, has purchased a bus to be converted into a mobile library, looking to serve Barry County and keeping kids reading all summer long.



For more information, visit www.ymcaofbarrycounty.org website OR call 269-945-4574.



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