

# Hastings Highlights

## September 2020



City of Hastings

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### School Is Now In Session.

Please remember the safety of students walking to and from school, adult crossing guards, and student safety patrols. Students should be using the sidewalks wherever they are present; however, there are times when sidewalks are not present. Students walking in the street should be near the curb, but as unpredictable as children can be, always be prepared for the unexpected action. Adult crossing guards have the authority to stop traffic and control students at approved crossing areas. Disregarding an adult crossing guard is not only very unsafe, but will result in a very expensive ticket-generally followed by a fine, points on your drivers license, and possibly much higher insurance costs. Let's all work to keep the children safe. Student Safety Patrols are designed to assist students in crossing the street. They always wear a brightly colored, approved safety belt. Student Safety Patrols are not designated, nor are they trained, to stop traffic. When you see a Student Safety Patrol, other children are generally in the immediate area. PLEASE DRIVE CAUTIOUSLY!



### AVOID THE LINES AND VOTE FROM HOME

With the passing of Proposition 18-3, registered voters no longer need a reason to vote absentee in elections. You can vote from the comfort of your own home at your convenience prior to election day. Sign up to automatically receive absentee ballot applications for the upcoming elections and future elections by getting on our permanent absentee voter application list. City of Hastings residents please call 269-945-2468 or email: [elections@hastingsmi.org](mailto:elections@hastingsmi.org) with questions or to be added to the list.

### Fall 2020 Household Hazardous Waste, Tire, and Medicine Collections.

September 19, 2020 (9:00 AM to 1:00 PM)

Barry County holds two Household Hazardous Waste, Tire, and Medicine Collections each year. These collections take place in the spring and fall at the [Barry County Fairgrounds](#), 1350 N. M-37. The collections are sponsored by the Barry County Solid Waste Oversight Committee with support from the Barry County Fair Board, Waste Management, Barry-Eaton District Health Department, Barry County Substance Abuse Task Force, Sheriff's Department, and Local Pharmacies.



### City of Hastings - State Road Compost Site Hours of Operation:

**Monday - 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM**

**Saturday - 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM**

- Yard debris must be deposited in the designated areas based on type (green material vs. woody).
- No woody material over 3" in diameter may be deposited at the site.
- The site only accepts residential material generated within the City of Hastings.
- Illegal dumping on the site that violates any of the above requirements will result in up to a \$500 fine.
- Site is under surveillance by digital cameras and Hastings City Police.

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



**07 Monday - City Hall Closed - Labor Day**

08 Tuesday - Planning Commission 7:00 PM

09 Wednesday - Cemetery Advisory Board 3:00 PM

14 Monday - Council 7:00 PM

15 Tuesday - ZBA 7:00 PM

16 Wednesday - JPC 5:30 PM (Rutland Twp. Hall)

17 Thursday - DDA 8:00 AM

21 Monday - JPA 5:30 PM (Rutland Twp. Hall)

21 Monday - Cable Access 7:00 PM

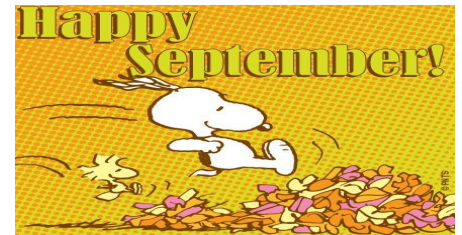
23 Wednesday - Airport Commission **10:00 AM**

24 Thursday - LDFA/BRA 3:00 PM

28 Monday - City Council 7:00 PM

**No Library Meeting this Month**





### Upcoming 2020 September Events at Hastings Public Library

**Yay - September is #LibraryCardSignupMonth!** Celebrate with Wonder Woman and HPL by getting your very own library card. Visit [hastingspubliclibrary.org](http://hastingspubliclibrary.org) for more information TODAY!



**"Celebrate the Freedom to Read!" with HPL** during Banned Books Week from September 27 – October 3, 2020. Participate in the "Date with a challenged or banned book" by checking out a **"DO NOT READ THIS"** book from the display.

**Escape The Grim Brother's Fairytale Virtual Room** will be available in September. Escape rooms test one's ability to discover clues, solve puzzles and accomplish tasks in order to escape the room. Watch our website and Facebook page for the date it becomes available.

**September Virtual Story Times** are two Fridays at 10:30am on ZOOM and Facebook Live.

**11<sup>th</sup> - "Name is the Game" Story time**

**25<sup>th</sup> - "Hibernate! Migrate! Survive!" Science Story time** with Pierce Cedar Creek Institute.

**Month Long Virtual LEGO Club – "Design Your Own Super Hero!"** Check out this Event on Facebook and our webpage during the month. Join the fun and load a picture of your Super Hero or comment on the great creations we are expecting to be displayed on the Facebook Event.

**Barry County Builds – September 21<sup>st</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>** Watch our Facebook page for the list of STEAM activities, times and find out which BCB Partner is leading each activity. Pick up supply packs at the Library and join the Barry County Builds Team for hands on virtual STEAM activities during this week.

**Grab And Go Activity Packs for September:** Super Heroes Celebrate the Library – Are you interested in craft packets to do with your family? The Library has ready to go packets available for you.

**Hastings Public Library Temporary Hours** are Monday – Friday from 10:00 am-6:00 pm and Saturday from 10:00 am-2:00 pm.

**Drive Thru Services are available with a phone call during regular hours.** Call the Library at 269-945-4263 a few minutes before you will arrive, we will pull your holds, and have them ready at the drive-thru window. If no one is at the window when you arrive, press the CALL button or call us on the phone again and someone will come to the window to assist.

For more information about all of our activities or services 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.



Camp Algonquin is seeking content for a 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary historical book. We are hoping to capture the stories, traditions, and memories of camp through first-hand accounts. For those wishing to provide content, please contact Jon Sporer, CEO/Executive Director, or complete the survey online at [ymcaofbarrycounty.org](http://ymcaofbarrycounty.org). Pre-orders have begun, and the book is scheduled to be available in the fall of 2021.

### Nature Based Learning:

- 6.5 Week Sessions at YMCA
- Session 1: September 16 – October 29
- Session 2: November 2 – December 17
- SPROUTS for 3 & 4-year-olds in the mornings
- STREAMS for K-6<sup>th</sup> in the afternoons

### Y Time Childcare:

- Registrations available through for infants – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade
- NOW HIRING for 18+
- Applications online

Contact [marci@ymcaofbarrycounty.org](mailto:marci@ymcaofbarrycounty.org) or call 269-945-4574 for more information.

Financial Aid applications are available for most programs. E-mail [office@ymcaofbarrycounty.org](mailto:office@ymcaofbarrycounty.org) for more information.

For all dates, times, fees, locations, or to register, please visit our website [ymcaofbarrycounty.org](http://ymcaofbarrycounty.org) or call our office at 269-945-4574 weekdays between 9am-4pm.



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