

City of Leslie

Electronic Newsletter

September 2010

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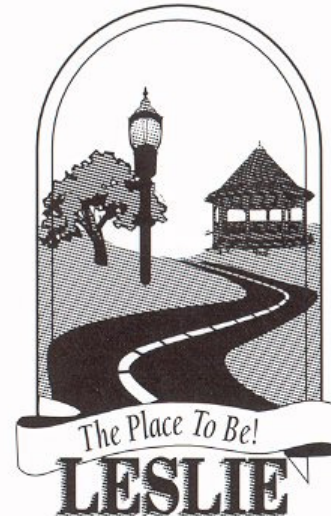
Welcome to the City of Leslie electronic newsletter.

We will be using this newsletter to keep you up to date on what is happening in Leslie. Your e-mail has been added to our database as an interested community member. If you do not wish to receive the newsletter, please see the bottom of this newsletter for the unsubscribe link.

We are interested in your feedback. Over the coming weeks and months our format and content will evolve to provide the best product for you. We will keep you up-to-date on the latest important news and events in the City of Leslie.

Please let us know how we can improve this newsletter by e-mailing us at reedb@cityofleslie.org.

We hope you enjoy our efforts! Thank you!



MSHDA Apartments Downtown - Open House Monday October 18th - 1:00-3:00pm.

Chris and Nanette Fuller are near completion of their apartment project made possible with a MSHDA grant. They will be hosting an open house from 1pm to 3pm on Monday October 18th. This is the first of several apartment projects in the downtown geared toward utilizing unused space, restoring old buildings, more living space downtown, and increased business activity. For more information, please call Brian Reed at 517-589-8236.



Leslie Fall Festival

Thank you to all those who participated in the Leslie Fall Festival. Please join us next year for the 175th Celebration September 23-25th 2011.

Election Update



Registration

The last day to register to vote in the November 2, 2010 Election will be Monday, October 4, 2010. Person's registering after 5:00 PM are not eligible to vote in the November Election.

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Randy Fox

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Absent Voter Ballot

Absent Voter Applications and Absent Voter Ballots for the upcoming Election to be held Tuesday, November 2, 2010 are now available at Leslie City offices during regular business hours 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, Monday - Friday please call (517)589-8236 for more details.

Election Day

The polls will be open from 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM Tuesday, November 2, 2010 at Leslie City Hall 107 E Bellevue Street for Qualified Registered Voters of the City of Leslie.

Public Accuracy Test

Public Accuracy Test for the November 2, 2010 Election will be held Tuesday, October 19, 2010 at 4:00 PM at Leslie City Hall 107 E Bellevue Street. The Public Accuracy Test is conducted to determine that the programs and computers being used to tabulate the results of the election count the votes in the manner prescribed by law. These are public tests of voting equipment to be used at the November 2, 2010 Election, all interested persons are welcome to attend.

For more information, please contact Denae Davenport at 517-589-8236.

Pool Season Wrap Up

Pool Party

Another successful pool season has come and gone. We added many new things this year.

Thanks to the Capitol Region Community Foundation Grant we were able to purchase 4 picnic tables with umbrellas, a dozen life jackets, 20 noodles, a storage bin for these items and a new spine board and head immobilizer. We divided the day into two sessions to help make the pool more affordable.

We had a middle school pool party that was very successful. We can't wait to have more of them next summer. We expanded the selection and hours at the Concession Stand and added a slushy machine all of which proved to be very successful. Next year we will continue to make more positive changes,

add more night time events and maybe even extend the pool season. Thank you for your continued support.

Overnight Parking

Residents are reminded that there is no overnight parking allowed anywhere inside the City. Streets need to be clear in order to allow for maintenance and services such as leaf pickup and snow removal. We will be enforcing this ordinance. Thank you for your cooperation.

Leaf Pickup

Once again it is time for leaf pick-up. We will pick up leaves through-out the month of October, weather permitting. Please pile leaves along the edge of the road in long narrow piles. The chute on the leaf-vac has a very small range and long narrow piles help us to collect leaves through-out town more efficiently. If leaves continue to fall in November and the weather is still good we may continue with leaf pick-up. Please call city offices at 589-8236 or DPW 589-5115 to see if DPW is still picking up leaves in November.

Bruce Howe Named Fire Chief

The City of Leslie and Leslie Township officially named Bruce Howe the Leslie Fire Chief September 8, 2010. Howe had been serving as the Interim Fire Chief since the passing of Chief Mike Fancher in Mid May and brings many years of experience to the Chief position. Howe has served on the Leslie Fire Department for over 22 years and was the Assistant Fire Chief for the last seven years.

Leslie 175 Celebration

Did you know the Leslie area will celebrate its 175th birthday from its settlement in 2011? Make sure you reserve the weekend of September 23-25, 2011 for the festivities. Stay tuned for more details...

Crossing Guard Substitues Needed

Currently there are three crossing guards every school day that assist children crossing busy intersections. Next year, we will need new crossing guards to fill in for regulars. If you are interested, please contact Chief Bob Delamarter for more information at 589-9700.

Pool Donations

The Friends of the Leslie Community Pool are still looking for donations for the pool. Each year the costs of operating the pool increase. Currently the pool is funded by donations, allocations from the City Budget, and through user fees. Donations are a large part of pool operations. If you have any questions, please contact City offices at 589-8236.

Need Assistance Fixing The Appearance of Your Home?

If you are interested in fixing up your home but need financing or help, you may be eligible for low interest loans from the Michigan State Housing Development Authority or the USDA Rural Development office. Both agencies specialize in low interest loans for rural Cities and Townships less than 10,000 population. For more information you may call Brian Reed at 517-589-8236 or visit each agency's website below:

[Michigan State Housing Development Authority](#)
[USDA Rural Development Office](#)

Volunteer

Leslie Library Happenings (Fall Programs)

The Leslie Library has several events happening. Please remember to support our Library by attending programs and events!

Children:

Pre-School StoryTime

Tuesdays: Oct. 5, 12, 19, 26 @ 11:00 am
Stories, songs and crafts for pre-schoolers.

PJ StoryTime (Ages 3 & up)

October 13 @ 7:00 pm
Wear your PJ's & bring your favorite stuffed animal to share special stories.

Pumpkin Decorating Day

Thursday, Oct. 28 & Friday, Oct. 29 @ 3:00 - 5:00 pm
Decorate a pumpkin to take home.

Bottle Cap Jewelry

Thursday, October 7 @ 6:00 - 7:00 pm
Make your own key rings, magnets or necklaces with a little funk. Using the basics of jewelry making you will recycle bottle caps into your own useful creations. Registration requested.

Tweens & Teens - Scary Stories Halloween Night

Tuesday, Oct. 26 @ 6:00 - 7:30 pm
Scary stories and spooky snacks - a fun filled night!

Adult Book Discussion

Oct. 13 @ 1:00 pm: *Horse Soldiers* by Doug Stanton
Nov. 10 @ 1:00 pm: *Sweetness at the Bottom of the Pie* by Alan Bradley

Hugs for Hospice

Monday evenings from 6:00 - 8:00 pm
Knit, sew, or crochet projects for the Heartland/Hospice Group.

Computer Classes

Intermediate Microsoft Word

Thursday, October 7 @ 10:00 am
Registration Required

Internet Basics

Thursday, October 14 @ 10:00 am
Registration Required

Microsoft Excel Basics

Thursday, Oct. 28 @ 10:00 am
Registration Required

Cemetery Bricks

The Woodlawn Cemetery is offering the opportunity to purchase personalized bricks for a brick walkway that will begin construction in the fall of 2010. The money raised from brick sales will be used to benefit a mapping project at the Woodlawn Cemetery. The project is expected to be dedicated during the 175th celebration of the settlement of Leslie (the weekend of September 23rd-25th of 2011). Order forms are available at City Offices, Township Offices, and the cemetery. A form is available on the City's website soon. For any questions regarding the project, please contact Patti Wade or Sherry Feazel at the Leslie Township Hall 589-8201.

Upcoming Events In Leslie

For information on any of these events, please call 517-589-8236.

- City Council Meeting - October 5, 2010 7pm GAR Hall

Contact Information

City Administration:

Phone: (517)589-8236

Fax: (517)589-0156

[Brian Reed](#) - City Manager

Opportunities

The City of Leslie is always looking for volunteers. If you are looking for a volunteer opportunity, or have any volunteering ideas please contact Brian Reed (589-8236) or Martha Owen at (589-5115).

Newsletter Archive

Past issues of the Electronic Newsletter will be available on the City of Leslie website. You may visit

<http://www.cityofleslie.org/news-archive.shtm> to view past issues.

Starting A Business in Michigan

If you were going to start a business where could you go for advice? The State of Michigan has created a one-stop guide to visit for new businesses or for those interested in starting a new business. The website has plenty of valuable resources to answer many of your questions. You can visit the one-stop center at <http://www.michigan.gov/business>.

City Now on Facebook

The City of Leslie is now on Facebook. [Sign up](#) to be a fan and receive updates on what is happening in the City.

Zoning Board of Appeals Position Open

Interested in serving on the City's Zoning Board of Appeals? Send a letter of interest to City Offices at 106 E Bellevue St., POB 496, Leslie, MI 49251.

[Cheri Neu](#) - Finance Director/Treasurer
[Denaë Davenport](#) - City Clerk
[Carrie Fancher](#) - Deputy Clerk/Treasurer
[Martha Owen](#) - DPW Director
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