

delhi neighbor!

News & Tips You Can Use from Delhi Charter Township

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Open House & Re-Use Rally May 10

Saturday, May 10

11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Delhi Waste Water Treatment Plant

5961 McCue Road, Holt

For more information call 699-3873.

Come join the fun—It's FREE!

Open House

On Saturday, May 10, Delhi Waste Water Treatment Plant will celebrate Water Quality Awareness week with a fun-filled open house. This event is totally free and includes:

- ▶ Games and prizes for all ages
- ▶ Face painting
- ▶ Information booths
- ▶ Snacks
- ▶ Facility tours
- ▶ Hands-on fish release
- ▶ Really fun family fun

Reuse Rally

Drop off and/or take home—it's all free!

Delhi Waste Water Treatment Plant will host a giant reuse rally on Saturday, May 10. Your unwanted reusable items may be just what someone is looking for—and you may find just the items you need, too. It's a treasure hunter's dream, and it's all free!

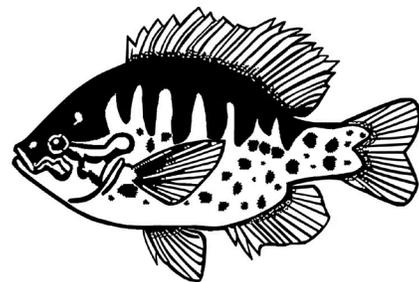
Items accepted for drop-off include:

- ▶ Any reusable item in working or near-working condition
- ▶ Furniture
- ▶ Appliances

Please do not bring:

- ▶ Computer equipment
- ▶ Hazardous waste
- ▶ Automotive batteries
- ▶ Non-usable tires

Items that do not find a new home will be donated to charity or recycled.



Build "Gill"

It's big, it's colorful, it educates Delhi residents about recycling—it's Gill, a giant fish sculpture!

Delhi Charter Township is working with the Holt elementary schools and the newly formed Holt Community Arts Council to erect a public sculpture to raise awareness about recycling. The temporary sculpture will be constructed from recyclable laundry detergent jugs and installed at the Delhi Recycling Center at McCue and Grovenburg Rd.

Residents can participate by depositing their empty detergent bottles (#2 plastic) in the appropriate color-designated bin at the recycle center. You can also help to assemble the sculpture during the Open House and Re-use Rally on Saturday May 10, 2008.

Welcome Neighbor!

Welcome to the first edition of *DelhiNeighbor!* We hope you find this newsletter helpful and informative. We also hope *DelhiNeighbor* will become a long-lasting publication provided on a regular basis. But we need your feedback. Let us know what type of information you'd like to see in this newsletter. Email your comments to newsletter@delhitownship.com

Thank you, and enjoy!

Summer Construction



The Summer 2008 construction season will be a busy one in Delhi Township.

Major street reconstruction projects funded by the Delhi Township Downtown Development Authority are scheduled for the Cedar Heights neighborhood (Aurelius and Willoughby) and the Holt Rd. – Depot Street – Delhi N.E. area. The Holt-Depot project will also include substantial reconstruction of the sanitary sewers in the area. This project will close Holt Road at Depot Street for approximately two months during spring and summer.

Later in the summer, construction will begin on improvement to Cedar St. between Dallas & Holbrook. Project updates will appear on the township website.

Spring Brush Drop-Off

Delhi Charter Township Department of Public Services will be providing a Spring Brush Drop-Off on the following dates:

Thursday April 24, 2008 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Friday April 25, 2008 8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Saturday April 26, 2008 8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Location: Valhalla Park (off Keller Road)

Brush that is dropped off must be no more than eight feet long and 12 inches in diameter.

Yard waste in large brown paper bags with a Delhi sticker firmly affixed will be accepted. Root balls no larger than 15 inches in diameter will be accepted with a sticker. Stickers will be available for purchase for \$1.50 each at Valhalla Park (during brush drop-off days ONLY), or at the Treasurer's office and the Maintenance facility. In addition to the Valhalla Park drop off days, yard waste in brown paper bags and root balls can be dropped off at the Maintenance Facility any time during business hours. The Maintenance Facility is at 1492 Aurelius Road, Holt.

Compost will be accepted in bags with a Delhi sticker.

Proof of residency will be required. Truckloads of leaves will be directed to the Granger Compost Services on Wood Road in Lansing.

Department of Public Services personnel will assist with unloading brush, but will not be held responsible for any damages.

Please contact the Delhi Charter Township Department of Public Services at **699-3874** for further details.

TREEmendous Savings!

Homeowners, here's your chance to beautify your landscape at a reduced cost and help the environment!

Delhi Township, the Delhi DDA and the Waste Water Treatment Plant announce the *50-50 Green Up Clean Up* program, offering great savings on high-quality trees plus FREE installation. Property owners who purchase trees through the program will pay only half the cost of the tree, with the township and DDA paying the other half.

This reduced price includes delivery, installation and a tree watering device.

The purpose of the program is to reduce the amount of runoff from the property and to improve the quality of the water that does run off. Owners of properties falling within these guidelines may qualify for a grant.

Eligibility Requirements

- ▶ Properties with 25 mph speed limit and no curb and gutter; there must be at least 15 feet from the edge of pavement to the tree.
- ▶ Properties with 25 mph speed limit with curb and gutter; the trees must be planted at least 5 feet from the curb.
- ▶ Properties on streets with a speed limit greater than 25 mph will have eligibility determined on a case-by-case basis.

Highlights

- ▶ Once installed, trees will be owned and maintained by the property owner.
- ▶ Price includes 1-3/4" - 2" caliber tree, delivery, installation and tree watering device. Prices are expected to be \$94 - \$125, depending on the type of tree.
- ▶ Trees will be installed in May, depending upon digging conditions.



Delhi Seeks Grant for Medication Disposal

Many of us don't think about the importance of properly disposing of unwanted or expired medications—nor do we have any idea how to do so. That could change if Delhi Township officials succeed in securing a federal grant to launch a medication disposal program.

Delhi Township has partnered with Ingham, Clinton, and Eaton counties and the City of Lansing in an effort to secure these federal grant monies, which are available only to public and non-profit private agencies. Watch for updates in future newsletters.

Delhi Residents Care About the Environment

In just seven short months, the residents of Delhi Township have proven to be great stewards of our environment. In 2007 you have brought a total of 375,920 pounds of recyclables to the free drop-off center at the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

"We're pleased to be a partner with Delhi Township to provide this recycling opportunity to residents," said Tonia Olson, Director of Governmental and Public Relations at Granger. "It is great to see it getting so much use."

By recycling these materials, the Delhi Township community is reducing air pollution by 11,278 pounds, and contributing to the conservation of the following resources:

- ▶ 3,195 Trees
- ▶ 770,636 KWH of Electricity
- ▶ 1,315,720 Gallons of Water
- ▶ 626 Cubic Yards of Landfill Space

In practical terms, the electricity saved is enough to supply 82 homes per year, and the water saved is enough for 25 homes per year. The reduction in air pollution is the equivalent of taking one car off the road. Keep up the great work, township residents!

Materials collected for recycling include corrugated cardboard, newspaper, mixed paper (magazines, catalogs, and residential mail), clear glass, brown glass, tin cans, and mixed plastics (#1 PETE & #2 HDPE plastic bottles).

The Wastewater Treatment Plant is at 5961 McCue Rd. in Holt. The recycling center is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.



Delhi Township Fire Department—Responding to More than Just Fires



Delhi Township Fire Department employees spend their time doing much more than putting out fires and making medical calls.

One recent example occurred on Martin Luther King Jr. Day. While many government employees were enjoying the holiday off, several members of the fire department spent a majority of the day providing CPR instruction to the Holt Public Schools bus drivers. These classes are held on an annual basis to keep the transportation division of the Holt Public Schools up to date on CPR techniques.



Delhi Parks & Rec Warms Up for Youth Sports

The snow may be barely melted, but it's time to register your kids for Delhi Parks & Rec's Youth Sports! Registration for youth T-ball, baseball, softball and tennis lessons begins March 24 at the Delhi Township Parks & Recreation Office, 2074 Aurelius Road. Youth Sports programs are open to all students living in Delhi Township and/or the Holt Public School District (subject to age requirements). Visit the township website at www.delhitownship.com for registration information.

Delhi Township Board

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Evan Hope, CMC, Clerk
Harry Ammon, CPFA, Treasurer

John Hayhoe, Trustee
Jerry Ketchum, Trustee
Paul Krepps, Trustee
Roy Sweet, Trustee

The Township Board of Trustees meets on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Delhi Charter Township Community Services Center Board Room (2074 Aurelius Road). Meeting agendas and minutes are available on the Township website, www.delhitownship.com.

Parks Commission meets 2nd Wednesday of the month at 5:30 p.m.

Township Planning Commission meets the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

Delhi Calendar of Events

- ▶ **April 16** - Lawn Care Seminar, 6:30 p.m. Holt Junior High School
(Registration required, visit the Township website or call 699-3874)
- ▶ **April 24-26** - Spring Brush Drop Off
- ▶ **April 25-May 3** - Holt Lions White Cane Week
- ▶ **May 1** - Holt Kiwanis Blood Drive
- ▶ **May 2** - Holt Kiwanis Chicken BBQ
- ▶ **May 6** - Election Day - Holt Schools Board of Education
- ▶ **May 10** - Water Quality Awareness Week –
Waste Water Treatment Plant Open House & Re-use Rally
- ▶ **May 12** - Hershey Track and Field Event (register with Parks & Rec. Dept.)
- ▶ **May 16-17** - Holt Kiwanis Paper Drive
- ▶ **May 17** - Pepsi Pitch, Hit & Run Skills Competition (register with Parks & Rec. Dept.)
- ▶ **June 14** - Holt Lions Community Kids Day at Valhalla Park
- ▶ **June 14** - Twenty First Annual Fishing Derby at Valhalla Park
- ▶ **July 25-26** - Holt Kiwanis Paper Drive
- ▶ **August 23** - Holt Hometown Festival

For details about events, visit the Township website, www.delhitownship.com.

“My Lawn is Greener than Your Lawn!”

Free Lawn Care Seminar

Delhi Township will host a free lawn care workshop on Wednesday, April 16, 2008, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Holt Junior High School.

Learn the latest environmentally responsible lawn care practices that can help make your lawn the envy of your neighborhood.

Gary Heilig from the Michigan State University Extension Department will discuss soil testing, lawn maintenance, fertilizing, irrigation and pesticide application.

The presentation is free to the public, but registration is required at www.delhitownship.com, or call the Department of Public Service at **699-3874** to reserve your space.

